

What is Career and College Directions?

Oakland City University Career and College Directions is a federally funded TRiO Talent Search Program that identifies and assists qualifying individuals who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic and career counseling and encourages participants to graduate from high school and enter into a post secondary school of their choice. OCU Directions also serves high school dropouts by encouraging them to reenter the educational system and complete their education.

All services are free of charge.



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Helping you achieve your educational goals.

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Directions
A Talent Search Program

*A college access program
for youth...*



What are participants saying about Oakland City University Career and College Directions?

"This program has made me see what colleges are like and what they are about. It has also made me think about all the colleges that I can go to in the future."

-Tell City High School Participant

"The program helped me learn about college and the types of scholarships and degrees that are available to me. It gave me opportunities to visit college campuses and let me see everyday college life."

- Pike Central High School Participant

"This program helped me in so many ways. I have learned helpful tips dealing with college, SAT's, and ACT's."

-Crawford County High School Participant

"The Directions program has really helped me. If I was not in the program, I would be really stressed out about going to college."

- Wood Memorial High School Participant

"If I hadn't got involved with your program, I probably wouldn't have thought twice about going to college."

- Career and College Directions Alumni from Reitz High School

"Directions has helped me with some life choices like knowing what career to focus on and which college to attend."

- Washington High School Participant

Who is eligible?

In order to participate in the Career and College Directions program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Reside in a home where neither parent has received a bachelor degree and/or your household meets TRiO Talent Search income guidelines.
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the United States
- Be enrolled in one of our target schools listed below
- Be between the ages of 11-27
- Have a desire to succeed
- Possess potential and interest in pursuing a college education

How Do I apply?

To apply, contact the Oakland City Career and College Directions Advisor at one of the participating schools or contact our main office for an application packet. Our toll free number is 800.737.5127.

What will it cost me?

There is no cost for the program. The program is funded through the Department of Education and hosted through Oakland City University.

What services are offered?

- Study Skills
- Life Skills
- Career Exploration
- Budgeting Skills
- Goal Setting
- Motivational Activities
- College Visits
- College Shadowing
- College Information
- Workshops
- Mentoring
- SAT/ACT Preparation
- Assistance in completing college applications
- Assistance in completing the FAFSA

Target Schools: Bosse High School / Cannelton High School / Crawford County Jr.-Sr. High School / Glenwood Middle School / Helfrich Park Middle School / Owensboro High School / Perry Central Jr.-Sr. High School / Perry Heights Middle School / Pike Central Middle-High School / Princeton Community Middle-High School / Reitz High School / Shoals Jr.-Sr. High School / South Spencer Middle-High School / School of Academic & Career Development / Tell City Jr.-Sr. High School / Washington Catholic Middle-High School / Washington Jr.-Sr. High School / Washington Middle School / Wood Memorial High School