Introduction to College Access Advising

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What we’ll cover today

- College Access Advising overview
- Workshops available for your library
- Additional resources available from Next Stop College

College Access Advising Overview
• College Access Challenge Grant was created to increase the number of low-income students who access higher education

• Funding from U.S. Department of Education and Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation

• Free to high schools, students (9th-12th grade) and families

• Provides support at critical steps on the path to college

• Twelve College Access Advisors available in every part of the state

• Advisors live in the region that they serve
Workshops Available for your Library

- Provides support at critical steps on the path to college
- Last 30 to 60 minutes
- Designed to be engaging and interactive

To schedule a presentation, contact your College Access Advisor or submit a request at nextstopcollegewi.org

Presentations

- Finding the Right College for You
- Exploring College Majors
- College Q & A

College Exploration
General College Preparation

- College Matters: Why You Should Go
- Plan Your Collegeland Adventure Early
- Creating an Academic Portfolio and Personal Assessment
- What Every Parent Needs to Know About Getting Their Kid into College
- So You’re Going to College?

Applications/Admissions

- Applying to College and Acing the Admissions Process
- Writing Your College Essays

Financial Aid

- Financial Aid for Your Collegeland Adventure
- From Good Grades to Skateboarding, There’s A College Scholarship for You
FAFSA

- Finding Money for College:
  Completing the FAFSA
- After the FAFSA

So how does this work?

College Access Advisor brings
- PowerPoint Presentation
- Folders with handouts and print materials
- Expertise in subject area

One-on-one hours

What we can provide help with:
- FAFSA
- Application completion
- Scholarship searches
- Overall college planning
What we’ve done at libraries before

- Offer half-day seminars for students with multiple workshops
- Provide one workshop each month
- Allow patrons to sign up for appointments
- Offer FAFSA assistance on specific day
- Use computer system to set up individual appointments

Additional Resources
Available from Next Stop College

Print Materials
Free!
Print Materials
Order at nextstopcollegewi.org

Webinars for Counselors and Mentors

Financial Aid Primer
November 15 & 27, 2012

FAFSA Completion
December 12, 2012 & January 10, 2013

Unique FAFSA Situations
February 13 & March 5, 2013

Visit nextstopcollegewi.org to see more and to register!

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