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COLLEGE GOAL TENNESSEE EVENT WILL ASSIST TENNESSEE STUDENTS AND PARENTS APPLY FOR MONEY TO ATTEND COLLEGE

NASHVILLE, TN (January 18, 2012) Tennessee high school seniors and parents can learn about applying and paying for college by attending College Goal Tennessee; by choosing to attend an event during January or February, 2012 at any of the 35 participating sites across the state (a site list is included below).

College Goal Tennessee offers students and parents completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) expert assistance from hundreds of professionals in the financial aid, admissions, secondary, and higher education communities. Volunteers at each site will provide free assistance completing the FAFSA and question/answer sessions to benefit students and parents in different stages of the financial aid process.

Research shows that families often list high cost as the main barrier to college attendance, even though tens of millions of dollars in various forms of financial aid is available every year. The FAFSA form, used at colleges, universities, and technical schools nationwide, should be submitted before March 1 to get the maximum aid available, even if the student has not yet selected their college.

Along with being the application for federal aid, the **FAFSA form also serves as the application for the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship and the Tennessee Student Assistance Award programs**, making it vital to the post-secondary application process in Tennessee.

For complete information on College Goal Tennessee and the participating sites, visit www.tn.gov/CollegeGoalSunday . Students are encouraged to review the information on the website prior to arriving to insure they bring all of the necessary documentation, including each individual's 2011 federal tax information, in order to fill out their FAFSA form completely. If their latest tax information is not available, they should bring last year's tax forms and come anyway.

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Date	City	Location
January 20, 2012	Memphis	Southwest TN CC-Gill Campus
January 21, 2012	Memphis	Southwest TN CC-Gill Campus
January 26, 2012	Dyersburg	Dyersburg State CC
January 27, 2012	Memphis	Southwest TN CC-Gill Campus
January 28, 2012	Cleveland	Cleveland State CC
	Memphis	Southwest TN CC-Gill Campus
January 29, 2012	Blountville	Northeast State CC
	Columbia	Columbia State CC
	Crump	TTC @ Crump
	Gallatin	Volunteer State CC
	Lebanon	Cumberland University
	Lynchburg	Motlow State CC
	Knoxville	Pellissippi State CC
	McMinnville	TTC @ McMinnville
	Madison	National College of Business and Technology- Madison
	Memphis	Lemoyne-Owen College Thomas B. Davis YMCA
		National College of Business and Technology- Memphis
	Nashville	Tennessee State University-Downtown Campus Oasis College Connection Cane Ridge High School
	Whiteville	TTC @ Whiteville
January 30, 2012	Bolivar	Bolivar H.S.
January 31, 2012	Milligan	Milligan College
February 4, 2012	Chattanooga	Chattanooga State CC
	Millington	Millington Central H.S.
February 5, 2012	Athens	TTC @ Athens
February 9, 2012	Chattanooga	Chattanooga State CC-Southside Recreation Center
February 12, 2012	Clarksville	Austin Peay State University
	Franklin	Columbia State CC
	Memphis	Southwest TN CC- Macon Cove Campus
	Nashville	Aquinas
	Oak Ridge	Roane State CC
	Crossville	TTC @ Crossville
	Ripley	TTC @ Ripley