

**Agenda Item:**  V.B.

**DATE:** April 26, 2007

**SUBJECT:** College Access Initiatives Report

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Information

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Staff will report on changes and progress with CollegeforTN.org, the state sponsored student Web portal that is a one-stop college shop where students and their parents can plan, prepare, pay and apply for college. Staff will also do a report on the completion of *Education in the South: A Passport to Opportunity*. This media grant has been a partnership between the Southern Regional Education Board and the Southern Governors' Association and is funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Tennessee is one of nine states chosen to participate.