

## **Virtual UTSA Family Engagement Workshops**

### **College 101- An Overview**

Objective: National research has indicated parent involvement as a strong predictor of student success. Empowering parents to action through knowledge will further enable parents to have a positive impact on their child's future. College awareness discussions can help families overcome the fear of the unknown. This session gives an overview of basic college information such as why higher education is beneficial, what are the different types of college degrees and different types of higher education institutions. How can a family afford to pay for college and what does it take to get a college scholarship? These questions and others will be addressed and discussed at this session so that gain s gain an understanding of the fact that "College completion is possible." This session will require 1 hour.

Targeted Audience: Families with high school students

### **College 101- Financial Aid/Scholarships**

Objective: The transition from high school to college can be a challenging one, especially if a family is unfamiliar with the college access and awareness information. Parents can help their students ease their transition by learning more about how to pay for college through financial aid and scholarships. What are the financial aid deadlines? Should everyone apply for financial aid? These questions will be addressed and discussed at this session so that parents gain an understanding of the fact that "College completion is possible." This session will require 1 hour.

Targeted Audience: Parents with high school students

### **College 101 - Building Your Portfolio**

Objective: The transition from high school to college can be a challenging one, especially if a family is unfamiliar with college access and awareness information. Parents can help their students ease their transition by learning more about what college is like. Learn how your student can begin to build a portfolio that will make applying for college and scholarships easier. The earlier they begin the process in their high school career, the better their portfolio can be. What do scholarship committees look for when awarding scholarships? These questions will be addressed and discussed during this session. This session will require 1 hour.

Targeted Audience: Families with high school students

### **College 101-The Transition from High School to College – Letting Go**

Objective: The transition from high school to college can be a challenging one, especially if a family is unfamiliar with college access and awareness information. Parents can help their students ease their transition by learning more about what college is like. Learn how you can help your student prepare for the transition and how you can be better prepared. What can you expect during their senior year in high school or their freshman year in college? These questions will be addressed and discussed during this session. This session will require 1 hour.

Targeted Audience: Families with high school students