

## Official Newsletter of GEAR UP MSU



## CONQUERING COLLEGE

### FINANCIAL ADVICE...

"Make a budget and stay disciplined to it."  
-Noah C, MSU Senior

"Apply for any and every scholarship applicable to your major, goals, and current achievements."  
-Jared R, MSU Sophomore

"Delete the Amazon app, and apply for local scholarships like from your hometown."  
-Brianna R, MSU Sophomore

## TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

By Julian Collins, TRIO SSS Director

Hello GEAR UP students! I would like to personally invite you to apply to become a TRIO Scholar here at MSU. As the GEAR UP program has supplied you with resources and support in your first year here at MSU, the TRIO Student Support Services program can continue to support you throughout your college journey. Becoming a TRIO Scholar will give you access to:

- Free Tutoring
- Free Printing
- Early Course Registration
- 1-on-1 meetings with the TRIO Retention Specialist
- Financial Education
- Books and other supplies for each semester
- Free outdoor activities such as rafting and skiing
- Free TRIO breakfast, coffee and other snacks
- And so much more...

As your GEAR UP services end, we would love to have you continue services through TRIO SSS. Please complete the TRIO SSS application on the TRIO website. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, Judi Haskins in the GEAR UP office (2nd floor Library), or Mackenzie Spence in the TRIO offices (314 Reid Hall).

Thanks, and we're looking forward to your application!

# PROVOST LUNCHEON

GEAR UP and TRIO SSS students are invited to lunch and a special presentation from Dr. Jane Downey, the Director of the Center for Research on Rural Education! Dr. Downey will share what MSU is doing to support rural education in Montana. Please RSVP in CatsConnect.

## Provost Luncheon

Jane Downey

Director, Center for Research on Rural Education



April 18, 2024

11:30am - 1:00pm

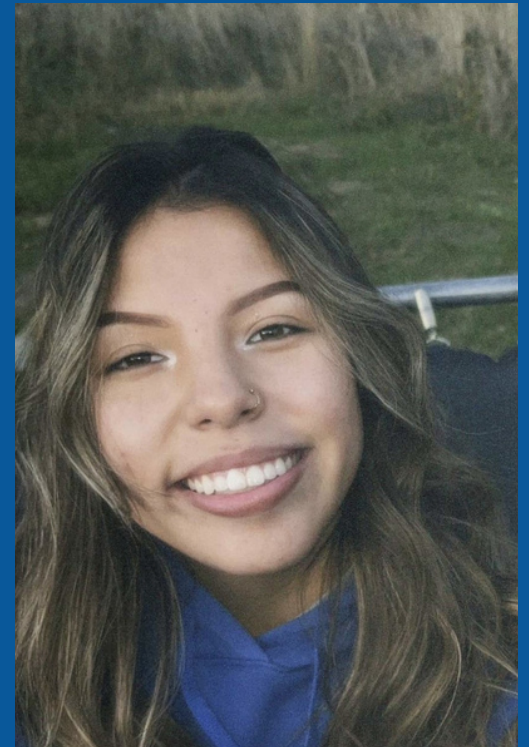
Join GEAR UP and TRIO SSS for a luncheon with Jane Downey, the Director of the Center for Research on Rural Education!

Lunch and champ change will be provided.

# MEET A GEAR UP STUDENT

## KATERINA MORRISON

Katerina Morrison is an MSU Freshman from Hardin, MT. She is currently studying Nursing, and on her free time, she likes to play basketball and spend time with her friends and family back home. After college, Katerina hopes to go back to her reservation and become a nurse there. GEAR UP has been impactful to Katerina by making her feel welcome, always reaching out and staying in touch with her, while also providing her with so many resources. Katerina takes inspiration from her mom, Makalia Gutierrez.



Katerina Morrison, Hardin, MT

# APRIL IS FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH!

April is Financial Literacy Month

Brought to you by the Office of Financial Education

Take part in our 30 DAY FINANCIAL CHALLENGE

Keep an eye out for our booth, drop-in peer mentoring, and trivia!



# MARCH 2024

## Highlights



GEAR UP and TRIO students met for a Registration Breakfast where they were able to register for classes early and enjoyed a nice breakfast!



During the last weekend of March, MSU hosted the 48th edition of the American Indian Council Powwow.

