

# New Way Senior Newsletter

September 23, 2016

## CAREER CORE

The Career CORE students enjoyed their visit to UAT early this week. They continued using the ACT Profile website to explore careers of interest. They also reviewed their STRONG results to determine areas of career interest based off of their preferences. Additionally, students geared up for their SMILE Biscotti internships by meeting with the founder and discussing basic business principles.

## COLLEGE CORE

SCC's curriculum and our CORE curriculum are complementary as students explore interests, values and career planning in CPD150. Starting next week in CORE, students will review their STRONG results from last year while beginning a career exploration project.

While New Way is on Fall Break the week of October 10<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>, SCC will still have class that Tuesday and Thursday. Students are responsible for attending class. Transportation will not be provided. Students who will be out of town are encouraged to notify the SCC Instructor as soon as possible to prepare any missed activities or assignments.

## UAT FIELD TRIP RECAP

We enjoyed the opportunity to showcase a post-secondary education institution to our students this week. UAT's unique structure, culture and focus provided a valuable perspective and point of comparison for future campus tours. Students received a dorm and campus tour that included UAT's innovation labs, green room, cyber security cave, and more.

## TRANSITION WORKSHOP: NAU

Wednesday, September 28 | 5:30 – 6:30pm

On Wednesday, September 28 at 5:30pm, students and families are invited to join us in the New Way Library as we learn about [Northern Arizona University](#)'s academic programs. This presentation will spotlight Flagstaff, the campus community, degree options, academic supports, Disability Resources, student life, campus housing, admission requirements, scholarships, tuition, financial aid, and beyond.

## TOY DRIVE

New Way Student Government is excited to share an opportunity to help others this fall. From September 20<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> we will be collecting NEW toys to benefit the Phoenix Children's Hospital. All toys must be new and in original packaging (to keep kids healthy)! Students will receive one community service hour for every three toys they bring in.

## FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID

FAFSA | Opens October 1

Last year, President Obama announced significant [changes](#) to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students are now able to file a 2017-2018 FAFSA as early as October 1 (as opposed to January 1 in past years). This early filing date will allow students to report income information from an earlier tax year (2015). Additionally students could potentially receive scholarship information sooner; thus, allowing for more time to make informed financial decisions before enrolling in a post-secondary program. College Goal Arizona will host workshops in the greater Phoenix area; click [here](#) to see the locations, dates and time.

## IMPORTANT DATES

September 28 | Transition Workshop: NAU  
September 30 | September Spirit Assembly  
September 30 | Homecoming Tailgate and Football Game  
October 3 | School Recess – No School  
October 10 – 14 | Fall Break – No School  
October 22 5:30-8:00 | Fall Kick-Off  
November 2 | Transition Workshop: Post-Secondary Pathways  
November 9 | Cap & Gown Senior Class Photos  
November 11 | Veteran's Day – No School  
Thursday, May 25, 2017 – 5:30pm | Graduation

## FALL TRANSITION CHECK IN MEETINGS

The Transition Team welcomes the opportunity to connect with each senior and family as we begin discussing next steps in preparing for life after New Way including independent living options, career and educational opportunities. If you have not yet scheduled your meeting, please contact your Senior Homeroom Teacher. We look forward to meeting with you!



A special congratulations to Mrs. Morgan's Homeroom who received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Yearbook Photo Competition for their creative Star Wars "Force" themed photo.