



# Traversing the maze of college funding

*I CAN & Ohio State Marion team up to provide direction to funding higher education*

Financial aid representatives from The Ohio State University at Marion and the I CAN Center of Excellence, an Ohio college access network program, will visit several area high schools November 2009 through February 2010 to offer free college funding guidance during financial aid information sessions and FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) completion nights.

Financial aid information sessions offer prospective students and their parents/guests an overview into the world of college scholarships and financial aid. Representatives will share how to uncover several funding sources available to help make college more affordable and offer advice on the best ways to fund your education.

All area FAFSA Completion Nights require students and parents to bring income and asset information to the high school and representatives will provide assistance in filling out the online FAFSA form. Information concerning precise documentation to bring is available through your area high school or college financial aid office.

A college student's financial aid package may consist of a combination of scholarships, grants, loans, and part-time work through the Federal Work Study program or other outside employment. The priority deadline to apply for maximum financial aid awards, including the FAFSA is March 1, 2010, for students planning to attend an Ohio State regional campus during the 2010-2011 academic year, but may be earlier for other institutions.

## **Financial Aid Information Sessions**

Nov. 9, 2009, 6:00-7:30 p.m., North Union High School  
Dec. 3, 2009, 6:00-8:00 p.m., River Valley River Valley High School  
Dec. 7, 2009, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Cardington-Lincoln High School  
Dec. 14, 2009, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Northmor High School  
Dec. 14, 2009, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Mt. Gilead High School  
Jan. 6, 2010, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Marysville High School  
Jan. 11, 2010, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Pleasant High School  
Jan. 14, 2010, 6:30-9:00 p.m., Tri-Rivers Career Center  
Jan. 25, 2010, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Pleasant High School  
Feb. 1, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Carey High School

## **FAFSA Completion Nights**

Jan. 11, 2010, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Cardington-Lincoln High School  
Jan. 14, 2010, 6:30-9:00 p.m., Tri-Rivers Career Center  
Jan. 20, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Upper Sandusky High School  
Jan. 25, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Marysville High School  
Jan. 25, 2010, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Mt. Gilead High School  
Jan. 28, 2010, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Marion Harding High School  
Feb. 1, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Carey High School  
Feb. 3, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., North Union High School  
Feb. 3, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Upper Sandusky High School  
Feb. 4, 2010, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Big Walnut High School  
Feb. 8, 2010, 6:00-8:30 p.m., River Valley High School  
Feb. 8, 2010, 7:00-9:30 p.m., Highland High School  
Feb. 9, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Olentangy High School  
Feb. 10, 2010, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Delaware Hayes High School  
Feb. 18, 2010, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Marion Harding High School