



200 South 14th Street | Parsons, KS | 67357

## What is TRIO Educational Talent Search?

Talent Search is one of eight Federal TRIO Programs designed to assist students who have the potential to succeed in college. Simply put, the goal of Talent Search is to encourage students to graduate from high school and to continue their education at a college, university, vocational, or technical institution.

## Who can Talent Search help?

The program helps middle and high school students who want to make the most out of their educational experience. Talent Search provides students with the support they need to help them be successful in school and to learn how to prepare for success in college. These students are more likely to have the self-confidence and the desire to earn a degree from a college, university, vocational or technical institution.

## How does Talent Search work?

An Educational Advisor makes regular visits to schools to meet with participants and provide them with the following services and opportunities:

- Educational support including study skills, goal setting, and time management
- Student support including mentoring, decision making, and leadership awareness
- Transition from middle to high school and high school to college
- Tours of college campuses and a special summer college visit including cultural enrichment activities
- ACT preparation, Interview skills, Personal Finance, STEM Programming, and career exploration
- Assistance with the college admissions process and applying for financial aid

## Why participate in the Talent Search program?

Talent Search helps students find what best fits their educational needs or career choices by making them aware of the many opportunities available. Participants receive information about college admissions requirements, scholarships, and financial aid programs. Being informed allows students to plan ahead, prepare, and make informed, smart choices.

## Where can you go from here?

Anywhere you want to go! Talent Search does not recruit for any specific college or university.

## What does this cost?

ABSOLUTELY NOTHING... Talent Search is free of charge to participating students; their families, and school districts. This program is funded through the United States Department of Education.

Please visit us online: [www.labette.edu/studentaffairs/talentsearch](http://www.labette.edu/studentaffairs/talentsearch)

# LABETTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

**Site Location:**  
1227 Broadway  
Parsons, Kansas 67357

**Mailing Address:**  
200 South 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
Parsons, Kansas 67357

**Phone: (620) 820-1037**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Social Security Number (optional):** \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Initial Last

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADE:** 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 (Please Circle One)  
Number/Street Name City/State Zip

**MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **NAME OF SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT'S PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE OF BIRTH:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **BIRTH GENDER (circle one):** FEMALE MALE

**ETHNICITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Are you currently in Foster Care?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ **American Indian/Alaska native**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Asian** **Have you ever been in Foster Care?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ **Black/African American**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **White/Caucasian**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander** **Are you a U.S. citizen?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ **Hispanic/Latino/Mexican**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Two or more races**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ **Race or Ethnicity unknown**

How many people, including yourself, live at home? \_\_\_\_\_ Please list them below:

Name	Age	Relation	School /Job Title	Bachelor Degree	
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No
				Yes	No

**NEXT**

**Parental/Confidential Income Information**

Labette Community College’s Educational Talent Search Program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education. In order to receive the funds necessary to provide our 545 participants with free services, we are required to obtain income information. We cannot accept participants without this information; however, eligibility is not determined solely from income. If you have questions about completing this form, please call our office at (620) 820-1037. This confidential information will not be released to anyone. Talent Search keeps this information on file in a secured area, which is accessible only to personnel.

Please feel free to mail the application directly to our office if you prefer: Labette Community College, Talent Search Program, 200 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Parsons, Kansas 67357.

Please check your annual **TAXABLE NET INCOME—Income after all deductions, NOT GROSS INCOME**—in the appropriate box below.

\$0 to \$23,475	\$39,976 to \$48,225	\$64,726 to \$72,975
\$23,476 to \$31,725	\$48,226 to \$56,475	\$72,976 to \$81,225
\$37,726 to \$39,975	\$56,476 to \$64,725	Over \$81,226

Are you eligible to receive any of the following public assistance – AFDC/TANF State Assistance, Food Stamps, Unemployment, Social Security, Free or Reduced Lunch? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

I, hereby, certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that all information provided is subject to verification and it shall be held in the strictest confidence.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Father/Male Guardian**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother/Female Guardian**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Education: (Please check highest level attained)

- \_\_\_\_\_ High school graduate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Some college
- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate’s degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bachelor’s degree or higher

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**RELEASE OF INFORMATION AGREEMENT**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 (Circle One)

This document will authorize **Talent Search** to receive and/or release copies of my child’s transcript (including Power School access/records), test scores, financial aid awards, and other materials necessary for participation in the **LCC TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM**. I understand that my records are protected under State and Federal Confidentiality regulations and cannot be released without my written consent unless otherwise provided in the regulations. Federal regulations prohibit making any further disclosure without the specific written consent of the person, or as otherwise permitted by such regulation. This release may be revoked any time and shall be valid no longer than is reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose for which it is given.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEDGE OF PARTICIPATION**

The Educational Talent Search staff pledges to provide activities and services described on page 1 of this application. These services and programs will be customized to specifically meet participants’ needs. All services are provided at no cost and are intended to help increase each participant’s potential, academically and personally.

I, the student, would like to participate in the **TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM** because I share the goals for participants to complete secondary school or earn a GED, to receive good grades, and to strive toward academic preparation to pursue college level work. As a participant, I agree to do the following:

- ✓ To strive to improve my academic skills through good attendance, punctuality, participation, completion of assignments, and all other requirements.
- ✓ To meet with my educational advisor at least TWICE throughout the academic year to discuss my current status, review progress toward my goals and to assess my on-going academic, educational, and future career needs in the Talent Search Program.
- ✓ To remain in the Talent Search Program through my high school graduation/GED attainment, and to pursue post-secondary enrollment.

I am aware that any student who engages in any inappropriate behavior between members may have that behavior reported to their parents and/or any appropriate legal authorities. Actions could result in: loss of trip privileges, dismissal from the program, and/or other legal actions.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I, the parent(s), pledge to support the participation of my child in the **Talent Search Program** by agreeing to support the objectives and the staff by:

- ✓ Cooperating with the Talent Search Staff in the completion and updates of required documentation on a routine basis.
- ✓ Cooperating and respecting the staff, faculty, and other participants while enrolled in Talent Search Program activities and while traveling on official business through approved trips in and outside the State of Kansas.
- ✓ I give permission to use photographs of my child for media purposes and identification.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_