Talent Search Programs

College Project Talent Search, Educational Talent Search, and University Access Talent Search

Talent Search is an early intervention/educational opportunity program. Serving students in grades 6-12, the program promotes skills and disseminates information necessary for successfully entering college and completing a baccalaureate degree. Emphasizing personal/career development, financial literacy, technological/academic skills, and ACT readiness through a developmental curriculum of college preparatory workshops, students are prepared for the rigors of higher education. Campus visits, academic monitoring/advising, and guidance in the completion of college and financial aid applications are key components for participants and their families. Summer enrichment and campus-based events are also hosted as funding permits.

Talent Search is a federal TRIO program funded by the U.S. Department of Education. The University of Arkansas has three Talent Search grant projects which serve distinct target areas in Benton, Carroll, Crawford, Sebastian and Washington counties in Arkansas, and McDonald County, Missouri. At least two-thirds of students served by the programs must be low-income and in the first generation of their family to attend college. They exhibit academic potential and attend one of the 37 target schools served. For additional information and a full listing of target schools, visit the Talent Search website (http://talentsearch.uark.edu).

The Talent Search Programs office is located at the university’s Uptown Campus East, 1083 E. Sain Street, UPTE 128, Fayetteville, Arkansas. Call 479-575-3553 for more information.