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**TG UPDATES**

***Adventures In Education Website Sports New Look, Content***

TG has redesigned and expanded its *Adventures In Education* (AIE) public service website at [www.aie.org](http://www.aie.org)

*Adventures In Education* offers educational planning and financial aid information for students in middle school, high school, and college, and their families. In addition, it includes a Counselor section that offers support through AIE Counselor Network.

In addition to a bold new look, the new AIE now includes a section just for educators.

To ensure that AIE serves the widest range of students and families, the site is available in both English and Spanish, and both versions are ADA compliant.

*Adventures In Education* also offers borrowers access to their student loan account information through its Student Loan Inquiry page. On the new AIE, you can access Student Loan Inquiry from the home page at [www.aie.org](http://www.aie.org) and from the College page at <http://www.aie.org/college/>. If you have bookmarked the Student Loan Inquiry page in your web browser or have added it to your list of favorites, you will need to update the bookmark accordingly.

Check out the new AIE and tell us what you think. If you have any questions or feedback about the new AIE, please contact Michelle Enriquez of TG Communications at [michelle.enriquez@tgsic.org](mailto:michelle.enriquez@tgsic.org)

## December Teleconference To Address New PLUS MPN

TG is pleased to announce that the new PLUS Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN) will be the final topic of its 2002 teleconference series. The teleconference will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2002, from 2 to 3 p.m. Central time.

The teleconference will discuss the features of the new PLUS MPN, which is expected to be released by the Department of Education in early 2003. Once implemented, the PLUS MPN will allow parents to borrow multiple PLUS loans for the same dependent over multiple years by signing a single note up front, greatly reducing the paperwork burden for subsequent loans. The PLUS MPN will replace the current PLUS Loan Application and Promissory Note.

Join us as we give you a “heads up” on how the PLUS MPN may affect the way you process loans for your parent borrowers. This timely topic will be covered by Margie Harvey, of TG Strategic Partnerships and Laura Kowalski, of TG Policy and Regulatory Affairs.

The presentation portion of the teleconference will be followed by a time for questions, answers, and conversation with participants. Registrants will receive a web address where they can review materials related to the topic prior to the telephone conference.

As with all TG teleconferences, this event is free of charge and open to unlimited participants from any institution. Please submit any questions you have about the PLUS MPN to Sheila Casey at [sheila.casey@tgscl.org](mailto:sheila.casey@tgscl.org) before the teleconference, to ensure that your questions are answered.

To register and get further details, contact Premiere Teleconferencing at (800) 289-0579 and mention the confirmation number 454411.

To join the teleconference on Thursday, December 5, 2002, just call in to (800) 500-0177 promptly at 1:50 p.m. and again use the confirmation number 454411.

## FEDERAL UPDATES

### Closed School Corner

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NEWLY REPORTED CLOSURES from the Postsecondary Educational Participants System and from the October 2002 Closed School Monthly Report supplied by the Department of Education:

TG SCHOOL ID#	SCHOOL NAME	SCHOOL ADDRESS	UNOFFICIAL CLOSURE DATE	ED'S OFFICIAL CLOSURE DATE
00387300	Mount Senario College	1500 College Avenue West Ladysmith, WI. 54848-2128	N/A	7/26/2002
02288500	Phillips Junior College	15400 Sherman Way Van Nuys, CA. 91406	N/A	12/19/1996

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## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The November 8 issue of the *Legislative Report* assesses how last week's elections will affect the makeup of the House Appropriations Committee and subcommittee vacancies for the 108th Congress. Read the details at [www.tgscl.org/tgscl/publications/lege\\_report/index.htm](http://www.tgscl.org/tgscl/publications/lege_report/index.htm).

## THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER...

ED is now accepting comments on the latest versions of the proposed Federal PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note and related forms. The deadline for comments is December 9, 2002. Details on where to submit comments are included in the *Federal Register* announcement available online at <http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/other/2002-4/110802a.html>.

You can download the latest versions of the proposed forms from the URLs provided below:

- Federal PLUS Loan Application and Master Promissory Note ([http://www.tgslc.org/tgslc/shoptalk/2002/st180/PLUS\\_App-110802.pdf](http://www.tgslc.org/tgslc/shoptalk/2002/st180/PLUS_App-110802.pdf))
- Instructions and Notices (<http://www.tgslc.org/tgslc/shoptalk/2002/st180/Instructions-110802.pdf>)
- Endorser Addendum (<http://www.tgslc.org/tgslc/shoptalk/2002/st180/Addendum-110802.pdf>)
- Federal PLUS Loan Information and School Certification ([http://www.tgslc.org/tgslc/shoptalk/2002/st180/School\\_Cert-110802.pdf](http://www.tgslc.org/tgslc/shoptalk/2002/st180/School_Cert-110802.pdf))

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