



SC GEAR UP Tool Kit

Newsletter I Topics:

- Helpful Tips on Organizational & Time Management Skills for College Success
- Helpful Tips on Note-Taking Skills for College Success
- Helpful Tips on Study Skills for College Success
- Keeping a Stress Journal: Writing Exercises on Managing your Feelings to Reduce Stress
- Video Excerpt: Student Success in College**
- Where to Locate Resources & Support from the SC GEAR UP Collegiate Partners:
 - Allen University
 - Coastal Carolina University
 - The Citadel
 - Claflin University
 - Francis Marion University
 - Horry-Georgetown Technical College
 - Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College
 - South Carolina State University
 - Technical College of the Lowcountry
 - College of Charleston
 - Voorhees College
 - Trident Technical College
 - The University of South Carolina (Columbia)
 - The University of South Carolina (Salkehatchie)
 - The University of South Carolina (Beaufort)
 - Benedict College
 - Newberry College
 - Charleston Southern University
 - Central Carolina Technical College
 - Denmark Technical College

Newsletter II Topics:

- How do I "read" my transcript?
- How do I calculate my grade point average (GPA)?
- Video Excerpt: GPA Calculation**
- What is grade forgiveness?
- What are the steps for receiving financial aid?
- Managing the Course Syllabi
- Tips for Navigating the First Day of Class

Newsletter III Topics:

- Student Engagement
- Video Excerpt: Student Engagement**
- Parental Concerns about College



Newsletter IV Topics:

- Financial Literacy & the Cost of College
- Scholarships
- FAFSA Renewal
- Video Excerpt: How to Get the Most Financial Aid***
- Student Loan Debt
- Tips for Navigating Financial Aid

Newsletter V Topics:

- Tips for Avoiding Negative Behaviors
- Video Excerpt: How to Manage Your Time Well***
- 4-Year Academic Tracker for Completing Courses
- The Expectations of a College Course (The Course Syllabus)
- Student Engagement, Student Leadership, & Co-curricular Activities
- The College Transition
- Video Excerpt: 5 Tips to Succeed in any College Class***