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October 31st, 2016
WELCOME!

- Objectives:
- 1- Prepare to complete the Dell Scholarship application (opens tomorrow)
 - 2- Secure a copy of one letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor to present to the Western Oregon University admissions reps when they come here tomorrow.
 - 3- Organize your academic, work and social life in a concrete way: keep a planner/calendar that allows you to backwards plan and reminds of due dates.

Agenda:

- 1- Show me the planner!
- 2- Prepare for Dell and Western:
 - a. Get a copy of your letter of recommendation plus a letter explaining academic “gaps” in your transcript.
 - b. Go to
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL23B9A23CD8DD82DD&feature=plcp> If your family is still unsure of how valuable the FAFSA app is for getting work study jobs and loans and other scholarship offerings from individual colleges and independent programs. Also, go to
<http://www.finaid.org/calculators/finaidestimate.phtml>
To calculate, without submitting your SS# or other things, how much your family might be expected to

contribute according to the Federal Student Aid guidelines. I bet just about EVERYONE is eligible for loans (low cost) and work study. This calculator will ESTIMATE—the EFC that the FAFSA will come up with.

[Check out the DELL site for a practice application](#)

- 3- If you are not financially eligible for the DELL —go find a scholarship you can apply for on your own merit—NOT just a contest or drawing. To search scholarships you may be eligible for, visit [Scholarships.com](#), [www.fastweb.com](#), and [www.zinch.com](#).