

Locker Talk™

Spring Cleaning:

Get Your Summer Plans Lined Up

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Reminder: March 10 Deadline!

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be received by the U.S. Department of Education by March 10 to be eligible for most state aid, and it cannot be sent by overnight mail. Fill out and submit the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov.



“There are lots of reasons to go to college, but did you know that college graduates earn a million dollars more over a lifetime than workers with just a high school education?” said **Jeffrey Williams**, pictured left, of **Hamilton Southeastern High School**.

For the second year in a row, Learn More Indiana has partnered with Hot 96.3FM and Indy’s Music Channel to find a high school



spokesperson. The winner will star in a statewide radio and television campaign



and also meet,



greet and share the stage with **Russ Parr**, pictured above, at his annual back-to-school bus tour.

The top ten finalists have been selected, and now it’s time for you to decide on the winner. Beginning March 9, go to www.learnmoreindiana.org/spokesperson and vote for your favorite candidate.

“You want to go to college. You need to go to college. There’s nothing standing in your way. You just need to be prepared. From classes to take and college choices to scholarships and financial aid, Learn More Indiana is helping thousands of Indiana students go to college,” said on-air personality for Hot 96.3FM, **Jay Rio**, pictured left. •



While you’re home on break, take this opportunity to plan for your summer. We’re not talking about which concert you’re going to see or how you plan to give your Facebook page a makeover. We’re talking about what summer job or internship you might line up that will help you save and prepare for college.

Internships

What is an internship? An internship is a short-term paid or unpaid work experience that translates what a student has learned in the classroom into valuable working knowledge. Internships are a great way for exploring careers and gaining information for the future. Explore www.IndianaINTERN.net and connect with Indiana employers for valuable internship experiences.

Job Shadowing

Spend a whole day or part of a day at work with someone in a career that interests you. You can follow that person throughout the workday and observe what she or he does.

At appropriate times during the day, ask questions about their work and about the workplace. Make a list of possible questions in advance and write down other questions as they come up throughout the day.

Tips for Job Shadowing

- Show up on time.
- Dress up. You don't have to be formal. Nice pants and a clean shirt or blouse are suitable most of the time.
- Take a notebook and pen or pencil to write notes.
- Get involved and be positive.
- Write a thank-you note afterwards.

For more information on how to get to and through college, visit www.learnmoreindiana.org or call 1.800.992.2076



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