

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY
EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH • PROJECT PLUS

PREPARING AND LEARNING
FOR UNIVERSITY STUDY



Fact Sheet

Project PLUS (Preparing and Learning for University Study) is an educational access and retention program sponsored by Portland State University, and funded through the U.S. Department of Education. The purpose of Project PLUS is:

- (1) To identify qualified students with the potential for education at the post-secondary level and assist them in their educational transitions by motivating them to graduate high school, and enroll in a university, community college, or technical training program.
- (2) To publicize the availability of financial assistance to persons who pursue a program of post-secondary education.

Project PLUS Services

This program provides the following personalized services and supportive educational opportunities:

- ◆ Advice about academic, career, and vocational opportunities.
- ◆ Counseling in motivation, self-awareness, decision making, and study skills.
- ◆ Exposure to career opportunities, college campuses, & academic summer programs.
- ◆ Weekend workshops and in-school sessions relevant to academic courses, study skills, computer skills, career choices, and opportunities for education beyond high school.
- ◆ Assistance with SAT preparation and registration.
- ◆ Guidance with college admissions and financial aid applications.
- ◆ Referrals to other educational support services and community resources for participants and their parents.

Who's Eligible To Participate

A student can participate in Project PLUS if he/she:

- ◆ Attends one of the following target schools in the Portland Public School District: Cleveland, Franklin, Jefferson, and Marshall High Schools; or Binnsmead, Hosford, Kellogg, Lane, Ockley Green, and Whitaker Middle Schools; Non-Target school students can also participate.
- ◆ Attends one of the following target schools in the Hillsboro Union School District: Century, Glencoe, and Hillsboro High Schools; or Poynter and Thomas Middle Schools.

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- ◆ Is at least 11 years old and in the sixth grade.
- ◆ Maintains a 2.0 GPA in Middle / Junior High School and a 2.25 GPA in High School
- ◆ Qualifies within the income eligibility requirements.
- ◆ Parents or legal guardian did not graduate from a four-year college.
- ◆ Is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.

Project PLUS welcomes referrals from community-based organizations, schools, parents, churches, citizen groups and employment agencies.

For further information contact Project PLUS at (503) 725-4458 or visit Shattuck Hall, Room 219 at Portland State University. Web Page: <http://www.ess.pdx.edu/ets/>