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## State seeks Indiana students to feature in annual publications

Learn More Indiana—a college and career success initiative led by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education—is offering Indiana K-12 schools the opportunity to feature their students in its *LEARN MORE* student success guides. The annual publication series is distributed each fall to every Indiana public and state-accredited nonpublic school in an effort to help Hoosier students succeed in school and prepare for education beyond high school.

"We know schools across Indiana are working hard to prepare their students for college and careers," said Teresa Lubbers, Commissioner for Higher Education. "This is just one way that we can spotlight their local efforts to support student success."

Schools can enter the contest by February 14 in order to have a chance to be one of three school districts featured in the 2014-15 editions of the LEARN MORE magazines. Photography and interviews will take place in March 2014. The entry form is available online at <u>LearnMoreIndiana.org</u>/print.

Also available online at <u>LearnMoreIndiana.org/print</u>, the *LEARN MORE* student success guides are high-quality, ageappropriate publications that aim to increase student success at every age level—from kindergarteners to returning adults—with helpful tips, practical activities, links to online resources and more. The classroom-friendly publications also include an online Educator Guide edition that offers school counselors, teachers, parents and youth-serving organizations even more printable activities, lesson plans, Spanish translations and more.

## **Upcoming Events**

In addition to student publications, Learn More Indiana sponsors annual college success campaigns, including the "Cash for College" campaign that launches statewide this month. Cash for College increases students' financial aid awareness and decreases college debt with practical information and free resources that help Hoosier families save for college, compare college costs, earn scholarships and file for financial aid. Learn more at <u>CashForCollegeIndiana.org</u>

The Cash for College campaign also features special events, including the online FAFSA Friday event at <u>FafsaFriday.org</u> on Friday, February 21 at noon and 6 p.m. (EST). FAFSA Friday walks high school seniors and other prospective college students through each step of filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with state financial aid experts available to answer questions in real time. Students and parents can log in to FAFSA Friday at <u>FafsaFriday.org</u>.

## About Learn More Indiana

Led by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education, Learn More Indiana is a partnership of state and local organizations working to help students of all ages succeed in school, complete college and connect to careers. In print, in person, online and on the phone, Learn More Indiana helps Hoosiers plan, prepare and pay for education and training beyond high school. Learn more at LearnMoreIndiana.org.