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College Financial Aid: FORMS NIGHT

Dear Parents/Guardians and College Bound Rochester Senior:

The VSAC Outreach Counselor, Anne Kaplan, who serves Rochester HS will be available on Monday, January 23rd to help parents complete college financial aid forms and to look over completed forms. VSAC is providing this service for parents **free of charge**. You can sign up for an hour to work on filling out the forms online with the Outreach Counselor present or you can sign up for a half hour and bring in completed forms for her to review.

Computers will be available so that parents may take advantage of the faster processing time and improved accuracy of the internet financial aid applications. VSAC and the Federal Dept. of Education are encouraging families to apply for financial aid on-line. However, if you are uncomfortable sending information over the internet, paper applications can still be filed, but are extremely limited in availability. You can request a paper FAFSA by calling 1-800-433-3243 or download a FAFSA at http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov/fafsa_options.html. You may call VSAC at 1-800-642-3177 for a paper VT Grant Application.

Please call or email Alyshia Mishkit at 767-3161 ext 3109 or amishkit@wnwsu.org to sign up for a time (day and evening slots are available).

You will need to bring the following materials with you to get the most out of your time:

- You and your student's Social Security Number (can be found on Social Security card)
- Your driver's license number (if any)
- Your 2011 W-2 Forms and other records of money earned
- Your (and your spouse's, if you are married) 2010 Federal Income Tax Return - IRS Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, if complete.
- Your and your student's 2010 Federal Income Tax Return
- Your most recent bank statements
- Your most recent business (value and debt) and investment (value), and mortgage (value of home and debt remaining) information, business and farm records, stock, bond, and other investment records excluding qualified retirement investments 401K's, IRA's etc.
- Your alien registration number or permanent residence card (if you are not a U.S. citizen)

Thank you,

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