UTRGV TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Newsletter

FEBRUARY

2024

DATES TO REMEMBER: FEB

- 02/09 FAFSA FRENZY DAY 4
- 02/16 FAFSA FRENZY DAY 5
- 02/23 FAFSA FRENZY DAY 6
- 02/23 COLLEGE SURVIVAL CONFERENCE
- 02/24 SELF-CARE RETREAT

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM FOR MORE PICTURES OF OUR EVENTS

ARE YOU IN OUR GROUP ME YET? IF NOT, LET US KNOW! STAY INFORMED

DO YOU WANT TO ATTEND OUR SPRING GRADUATE + CULTURAL TRIPS?
HERE IS HOW TO QUALIFY

COMPLETE INTEREST FORM!

- ☑ ATTEND WORKSHOPS
- ☑ PARTICIPATE IN THE TRIO SSS CONFERENCE
- ☑ REFER OTHER STUDENTS TO TRIO PROGRAM
- ☑ COMPLETE CANDYLAND/ GOAL SETTING
- ☑ COMPLETE PROGRESS REPORT
- ☑ GPA/GRADES
  + MORE!

DEAR TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES STUDENTS,

AS WE STEP INTO FEBRUARY, THERE ARE SEVERAL EXCITING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO LOOK FORWARD TO. FIRST AND FOREMOST, VALENTINE'S DAY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. IT'S A TIME TO CELEBRATE LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP, SO TAKE A MOMENT TO APPRECIATE THE PEOPLE WHO SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR ACADEMIC JOURNEY.

ADDITIONALLY, CHARRO DAYS FESTIVITIES ARE APPROACHING. THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE OF OUR COMMUNITY AND CELEBRATE THE TRADITIONS THAT MAKE OUR REGION SPECIAL.

WHEN IT COMES TO ACADEMIC SUCCESS, REMEMBER THAT THE TRIO PROGRAM IS HERE TO SUPPORT YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. WHETHER YOU NEED ADVISING, TUTORING, OR GUIDANCE FROM SUCCESS COACHES, WE ARE COMMITTED TO HELPING YOU THRIVE IN YOUR STUDIES.

AS WE EMBRACE THE SPIRIT OF LOVE AND CELEBRATION THIS MONTH, LET'S ALSO FOCUS ON NURTURING OUR ACADEMIC GROWTH AND SEIZING THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT COME OUR WAY.

WISHING YOU A JOYFUL AND SUCCESSFUL FEBRUARY!

UTRGV TRIO SSS

STOP BY THE TRIO SSS OFFICE ON FEBRUARY 14TH FOR A SURPRISE ACTIVITY!

LAB HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY:
8:00AM - 5:00PM

TRIO SSS LAB GUIDELINES

WE WELCOME OUR PARTICIPANTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR ACADEMIC SPACE WITH THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES IN MIND:

- TO BE USED PRIMARILY FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES (STUDY, REVIEW, READ, ETC.)
- TO BE USED FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT (ACADEMIC, PERSONAL, PROFESSIONAL)
- TO BE USED FOR STUDY BREAKS

BE COURTEOUS WHEN WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS ARE IN PROGRESS.
BE MINDFUL OF YOUR BELONGINGS AND YOUR NOISE (EARPHONES WHEN NEEDED).
DISPOSE OF YOUR TRASH IN BINS.
CLEAN UP IF YOU MAKE A MESS.

FREE

FREE THINGS TO DO!

IN BROWNSVILLE

• FIRST FRIDAY - MARKET SQUARE	FEB 2, 2024 7 PM — 10:30 PM
• LUNADA ARTISAN MARKET 2024 - LINEAR PARK	FEB 10, 2024 7 PM - 11 PM
• COSTUMES OF THE AMERICAS EXHIBIT: ¡FIESTA Y CULTURA!	DURATION: JANUARY 9, 2024-JUNE 7, 2024 1004 E. SIXTH STREET

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FAFSA FRENZY

FEBRUARY

FAFSA DATES:

FEB 09, 16, 23

TUTORING

PEER COACHING

STUDY TIME AT THE LAB

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THE HISTORY OF CHARRO DAYS

THE HISTORIC CHARRO DAYS FIESTA, WHICH BEGAN IN 1938, HONORS THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN BROWNSVILLE, A TOWN AT THE SOUTHMOST POINT OF TEXAS'S RIO GRANDE VALLEY, AND MATAMOROS, ITS SISTER CITY IN MEXICO. THE HISTORIC FESTIVAL MARKS THE CONTINUED COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWIN RIO GRANDE CITIES, WHICH, ALTHOUGH SEPARATED BY NATIONAL BORDERS, ARE BOUND BY SHARED TRADITIONS AND CULTURE.

THE CHARRO DAYS FIESTA WAS BORN INITIALLY TO LIFT COMMUNITY SPIRITS DURING THE DIFFICULT TIMES OF THE GREAT DEPRESSION; INSPIRED BY BROWNSVILLE'S UNIQUE LOCATION ON THE BORDER WITH MEXICO, THE RESIDENTS CAME TOGETHER TO PLAN A FIESTA UNLIKE ANYTHING ELSE IN THE COUNTRY.

THE CHARRO DAYS FESTIVAL BEGINS WITH THE TRADITIONAL MEXICAN GRITO AT THE GATEWAY INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE AND WITH AN EXCHANGE OF WORDS AND GIFTS BY THE MAYORS OF BOTH CITIES. SINCE THE EARLIEST CHARRO DAYS FIESTA, THE CELEBRATIONS HAVE INCLUDED AS MANY AS FOUR PARADES COMPLETE WITH FLOATS, A RODEO, MARIACHI, AND MARIMBA CONCERTS, AND BALLET FOLKLORICO PERFORMANCES BY SCHOOL STUDENTS. TWO PRINCIPAL STREET DANCES—THE NOCHE MEXICANA AND THE BAILE DEL SOL—ARE HELD IN BROWNSVILLE.

SOMBRERO FESTIVAL

SOMBRERO FESTIVAL, A THREE-DAY STREET PARTY IN WASHINGTON PARK, JOINED THE FESTIVITIES IN 1986 WITH TEJANO, CONJUNTO, NORTENO, COUNTRY AND ROCK PERFORMERS, ADULT AND KIDS EVENTS AND RIDES, AND VARIOUS TRADITIONAL AND LOCAL FOODS.

THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS COLLECTIVELY GIVE BACK TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY IN THE AREAS OF RECREATION, BEAUTIFICATION, TOURISM AND HIGHER EDUCATION.

CHARRO DAYS Events 2024

Art Contest

- ART CONTEST- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024 [AT] AMIGOLAND CONVENTION CENTER

Baile Del Sol

- BAILE DEL SOL - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024 AT 1:00 PM - CHARRO DAYS HEADQUARTERS - 455 E. ELIZABETH ST.

Noche Mexicana Dance

- NOCHE MEXICANA- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024 AT 6:00 PM - JACOB BROWN AUDITORIUM

BISD Children's Parade

- CHILDREN'S PARADE HOSTED BY BISD- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024 AT 2:30 PM

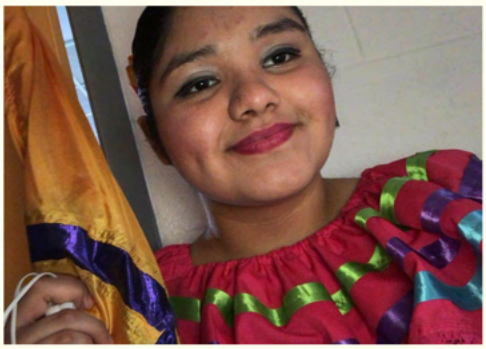
Charro Days Fiesta Parades

- ILLUMINATED PARADE- FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024 AT 7:00 PM BY IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
  COLOR GUARD PARADE- SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024 AT 12:30 PM
- GRAND INTERNATIONAL PARADE- SATURDAY, MARCH 2, AT 1:00 PM

Carnival

- CHARRO DAYS CARNIVAL. 20TH CENTURY RIDES- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29- SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024 - TSC ITEC CENTER (FORMALLY AMIGOLAND MALL)

MEET US THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024 AT 12:30 PM AT THE TRIO SSS LAB TO JOIN US IN ATTENDING THE CHILDREN'S PARADE HOSTED BY BISD ON ELIZABETH STREET

TRIO PARTICIPANTS AT CHARRO DAYS

CAN YOU GUESS WHO THEY ARE?!