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Parent's Briefing
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FEVER & Southern Futures Local Community Partnerships

Working together across Southern Adelaide, the Fleurieu & Kangaroo Island to deliver the Career Advice Australia strategy

Welcome to the 12th Parent's Briefing – This monthly newsletter will aim to provide info on a wide range of programs and services which can assist you to support your child to make a smooth and successful transition through and from secondary school. We hope that this initiative will enable you to become more involved in the exploration of your child's post school options and assist you to help them through this important stage and into their chosen career pathway.

Your feedback and suggestions for topics to include in future editions of this newsletter would be most welcome.

Group Training SA - Apprenticeships & Traineeships Event

PARENTS and STUDENTS are invited to attend a Group Training SA Career Expo to be held at the Marcellin Technical College (formerly Australian Technical College), cnr Beach and Mander Rds, Christie Downs on Wednesday 16th September 2009. The Expo will provide information on apprenticeships and traineeships in a range of different occupations. It will commence at 5pm and will conclude at 8pm – no registration necessary.

Some Keywords in Careers

- Accredited Training** Training that is nationally recognised & is provided by Registered Training organisations, including TAFE.
- Assumed Knowledge** The minimum level of achievement considered necessary for successful first year tertiary study.
- Cadetship** An employment arrangement in which an employer agrees to subsidise the formal training of an employee to enable a qualification to be obtained.
- Competency-based training** Training based on the ability to perform tasks rather than the length of time spent in training.
- Higher Education Loan Program** Also known as HELP. This program allows eligible students to take out loans from the Australian Government for their course fees for university study, and repay them when they earn above a set income threshold.
- Structured Work Placement** Also known as Structured Workplace Learning. Students learn practical skills through structured experience and practice in the workplace. The outcome of this on-the-job training contributes to the senior secondary school certificate and an industry-recognised qualification.
- Tertiary Education** Post-secondary courses offered by universities, private providers and TAFE institutes.
- Training Packages** Packages developed by industry and endorsed by government to ensure that vocational education and training meets industry standards.

On the Move

Southern Futures are co-ordinating a program that provides Flexible Learning Options (FLO) young people with an opportunity to explore their future training and employment pathway options at the end of the year. The program - called "**On the Move**" targets young people who received case management support last year as FLO clients. "**On the Move**" will allow up to 45 of these young people to *continue to receive case management support with the agency / case manager they have established a relationship with*, and also to access **additional support** including;

- Career specific case management support and guidance;
- Access to vocational courses in their area of interest;
- Support to access a work experience placement to build on the young person's understanding and experience of the world of work and employer expectations;
- Life coaching including identifying goals, action planning;
- Job search skills including interview preparation;
- Development of social skills and self-confidence.

Many of these young people have a range of issues who need intensive support from case managers specialising in social and welfare needs of young people, these young people are being supported by the program Co-ordinator, Heather O'Donnell.

Referrals from FLO schools and agencies are welcome! For further information, please contact: Heather O'Donnell, On the Move Coordinator, Ph: 82073695, Mob: 0447 029 735, email: o'donnell.heather@saugov.sa.gov.au

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