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Finances and Employment Domain: MPowering My Success

Goals for webinar:

- Explain why this domain is important
- Highlight innovative practices used to support students in this domain.
- Provide resources related to this domain

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The 7 Life Domains



- Casey Family Programs (2006) *It's My Life* Framework
- 7 domains framework offers a way to organize, understand, and develop a response to the complexity of lived experience.



The Finances and Employment Domain

- Research indicates young adults who have aged out of foster care are less likely to have accumulated assets:
 - Savings and checking accounts
 - Car and home ownership
- Impacts on money management:
 - Lump sums paid by financial aid
 - Saving funds
 - Filing tax returns

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Ask The Champions

What are the most significant challenges students face in this domain?

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What innovative practices or strategies do you use to address the challenges we just discussed?

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What type of self-care do you encourage to support success in this domain?

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What is one piece of advice for students, professionals, and supportive adults to increase success in this domain?

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Do you have any questions for us?

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Resources in the Finances & Employment Domain

Getting to know.... Financial Aid in Higher Education For Youth and Alumni of Foster Care



Who should use this guide:

This guide can be used by anyone who is interested in learning more about higher education financial aid for youth and alumni of foster care, age 17-25. This includes students, educators, social workers, community members, and educational administrators and staff.

How to use this guide:

Students may find this helpful as a starting point for planning for financial aid. Use this guide for your own education or pass it on to someone who may interact with students.



Graduate and Alumni of Foster Care, Natalie Kyles, 2012, Michigan State University

Among the most common cited reasons for youth and alumni of foster care dropping out of college is the inability to pay tuition and fees.
(Courtney et al. 2011)

FSM Finances & Employment Domain Toolkit:

<http://fosteringsuccessmichigan.com/library/fsm-community-collaboratives-finance-employment-life-domain-toolkit>

FSM Financial Aid Toolkit:

<http://fosteringsuccessmichigan.com/library/financial-aid-toolkit-for-students>

FSM Financial Aid in Higher Education Guide:

<http://fosteringsuccessmichigan.com/library/fsm-guides>

Common FAFSA Mistakes:

https://www.michigan.gov/documents/mistudentaid/5376_SSGCommonMistakesFlyer_512791_7.pdf

Michigan Student Financial Services Bureau:

<http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid>

Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA) Website:

<https://fafsa.ed.gov/>



Upcoming FSM Events!

FSM Community Collaborative: Finances & Employment, Central Region

Wednesday, October 25th, 1:00-4:00PM, MDHHS Ingham County, Grand Tower Location

Up Next Month: The Life Skills Domain

Champions of the Domains Webinar Series: Life Skills Domain, Blavin Scholars

Thursday, November 9th, 12:00PM-1:00PM

FSM Community Collaborative: Life Skills Domain, Wayne County Region

Wednesday, November 15th, 1:00-4:00PM MDHHS Wayne County, Western Wayne Co.

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