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LAUNCHPAD

the official alumni newsletter for WFU College LAUNCH for Leadership

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INSPIRING STUDENTS TO PURSUE GREATNESS

College LAUNCH Connection

During the past month, I've conducted Alumni check-ins with each of you via email, phone conversation, and/or text. I have appreciated the chance to talk with you! During these conversations, we've celebrated your successes and problem-solved issues you are facing. We've discussed the challenges of living through a pandemic and shared hopes for a better, more "normal" future (which is coming!). These conversations have provided me with an opportunity to remind each of you that you are not alone and that your LAUNCH family is always here for you.

Here are just a few of the ways that we continue to support you:

- ongoing individual check-ins
- connecting Alumni with other LAUNCH Alumni who are attending the same college/university
- scholarship/admissions recommendations
- quarterly workshops and special events
- LAUNCH Scholarship Resource Library

Here are some ways that you can continue to support LAUNCH:

- volunteer to serve on Alumni panels
- engage in mentorship opportunities with other LAUNCH Alumni and current LAUNCH Scholars
- complete quarterly Alumni Surveys

Did you know that by sharing college application and scholarship information with us, you help us continue to offer LAUNCH at no cost to current and future Scholars?

I am so thankful to have each of you as part of the LAUNCH family!

Dr. Meleah Ellison

Resources of the Month: Building Your Credit

You are likely excited about the freedom that comes with graduating high school and attending college but have you thought about the financial responsibility that comes with being a college student? When you turn 18 years old, you can begin to independently build your credit, which will allow you to have more financial opportunities in the years that follow. Want some ideas for how to wisely build your credit while in college?

Check out these resources:

- [How to Build Credit as a Student](#)
- [10 Ways Students Can Build Good Credit](#)
- [Tips for Spending \(& Saving\) Money in College](#)

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"That's why breaking those barriers is worth it. As much as anything else, it is also to create that path for those who will come after us."

Madam Vice President,
Kamala Harris



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NEED ANY HELP?

Your College LAUNCH family is here to help you! Feel free to reach out to Dr. Meleah Ellison at ellisonm@wfu.edu