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Dear TRIO Colleagues:

I am writing to extend an invitation to attend the 2008 Western VAEOPP Drive-In Conference on Friday, April 18, 2008 at Radford University in Radford, Virginia. The planning committee has been working tirelessly to deliver a professional conference which will be both informative and refreshing. We will learn how to better serve our students in a supportive, effective environment and strengthen our commitment to the TRIO mission. See attached agenda. We hope you will make every effort to attend.

The committee has selected RU's Director of Center of Experiential Learning and Career Development, Dr. Kathy Jordan, as our keynote speaker. Her presentation will center on our conference theme, "*Hand in Hand We Make a Difference*". VAEOPP President Tom Wilson and MEAEOPP President- Elect Dr. Mike Henry have graciously agreed to share recent developments as they pertain to our TRIO community at large.

For your convenience, we will e-mail a registration form to all current VAEOPP members as well as place a link to the Drive-In Conference information on the RU Student Support Services website, www.radford.edu/sss. This link will take you directly to Conference Services where you can register online or you can mail your registration form and payment to the specified address. You can pay by purchase order, check or credit card (MasterCard, American Express or Visa). Discounted hotel rates are available and are listed on the registration form. Your registration fee includes conference materials, refreshments, and lunch. Feel free to pass this information on to other TRIO colleagues and interested parties. Conference registration is due by April 11, 2008. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this valuable opportunity to network and collaborate with other TRIO personnel. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (540) 831-6382 or e-mail me at vtlewis@radford.edu. I look forward to seeing you at Radford University on April 18, 2008.

Sincerely,

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