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Sunny days, blowing the clouds away... photo of the last decent day of weather at Behrend until March.

## News on Education

### Helpful Hints On Paying For College

The cost of college tuition continues to skyrocket. Some of the nation's top universities are charging more than \$85,000 for a four-year education. Landing financial aid is becoming more of a necessity than an option. Here are some simple tips on how to obtain money for a good education.

1. Contact your college financial aid office for a list of financial options. There are also credible companies, such as Student Services which provide lists of available grants, loans, and scholarships for a small fee.

2. Analyze your financial situation honestly and apply to all programs for which you are eligible. Fill out the forms accurately.

3. After selecting a good financial aid package, negotiate improvements with your college financial advisor. Also, thoroughly investigate alternative means for more support.

Student Services has a database of more than 180,000 listings of scholarships, fellowships, grants and loans. It offers information about donations from corporations, memorials, trusts, foundations, religious groups, and other philanthropic organizations. A student can call 1-800-457-0089 ext 100 to request a "student data form." It must be completed and sent to Student Services with a research fee of \$45.

## Where's the Music?

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At Behrend, students have the opportunity to participate in a fully operational radio station: AM 1450 WPSE.

One of the problems that students say they have with the radio station is that it does not play music, according to Station Student Manager Val Engelleiter.

"A lot of students who sign up find out we don't play music and drop Commu 003 (radio practicum)," said Engelleiter.

WPSE's purpose is defined by Penn State in a mission statement. This says that WPSE "is to provide information to the community in forms that are generally unavailable through other broadcast media sources."

Fred Anzivino, the station manager, said the station is not around to play music, but to provide an educational chance.

"We're not here to play music," Anzivino said. "We're here to give the students a learning experience that is unlike any you will ever get at another college station."

Anzivino said the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) helped to dictate the audience for the station.

"The FCC told us that our community is where our signal is carried," Anzivino said.

The mission statement also states that the "community here is broadly defined to include all

audiences capable of receiving information originating from the station's broadcast facilities, including college student and Erie County audiences."

Although the station does not play music, Engelleiter believes the station is a good experience for those interested in radio.

"I've gotten the experience I need, technical, on air, managerial, and production since I will be going into radio," Engelleiter said.

Anzivino said there are some things at WPSE that a student can not get at most other college stations.

"There are things you can do here that you can't do at any other college, like working with a major network like CBS, PSU sports, play-by-play basketball, and working with satellite technology," Anzivino said. "The equipment is state of the art and the sales side is big too."

Another benefit that Anzivino sees with the station is the affiliation with national networks, which broadcast programs across the country.

"Because we are affiliated with the networks, we get market exclusivity and premium programming like the World Series and the Super Bowl," said Anzivino.

Because of University cutbacks, the station has two years to become self-supportive, Anzivino said. The station will become self-supportive by seeking advertisers within the broadcast area.

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