136A.87 PLANNING INFORMATION.

The office shall make available to all residents from 8th grade through adulthood information about planning and preparing for postsecondary opportunities. Information must be provided to all 8th grade students and their parents by January 1 of each year about the need to plan for their postsecondary education. The office may also provide information to high school students and their parents, to adults, and to out-of-school youth. The information provided may include the following:

- (1) the need to start planning early;
- (2) the availability of assistance in educational planning from educational institutions and other organizations;
 - (3) suggestions for studying effectively during high school;
 - (4) high school courses necessary to be adequately prepared for postsecondary education;
 - (5) encouragement to involve parents actively in planning for all phases of education;
- (6) information about post-high school education and training opportunities existing in the state, their respective missions and expectations for students, their preparation requirements, admission requirements, and student placement;
 - (7) ways to evaluate and select postsecondary institutions;
- (8) the process of transferring credits among Minnesota postsecondary institutions and systems;
- (9) the costs of postsecondary education and the availability of financial assistance in meeting these costs;
- (10) the interrelationship of assistance from student financial aid, public assistance, and job training programs; and
 - (11) financial planning for education beyond high school.

History: 1978 c 782 s 3; 1987 c 401 s 27; 1Sp1993 c 2 art 2 s 20; 1995 c 212 art 3 s 59