

College Success Coaches in 2021

College Success Coaches have worked with students in 17 EKY school districts for six months in 2021

425 STUDENTS

paired with a college success coach for the spring semester

64% of the total caseload completed the FAFSA

\$719,351

awarded in scholarships

\$98,522

in KEES money

21

average ACT score of those in the caseload

WHY COLLEGE SUCCESS COACHES?

Teach For America Appalachia, in partnership with Southeast/South-Central Educational Cooperative and Partners for Education at Berea College, supports college success coaches in 17 Eastern Kentucky high schools working directly with students to set and achieve postsecondary goals. These near-peer coaches focus on high potential, low-income students, building their skill and self-efficacy through 1:1 coaching and development.

Coaches made tremendous strides in the first six months of work establishing partnerships with their schools, creating meaningful relationships with students and families, and providing individualized support to students as they transition from high school to postsecondary programs.

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Beyond the Southeast/South-Central Educational Cooperative and Partners for Education at Berea College, the CSC program has partnered with several other organizations including:

- Prosper Appalachia
- EKCEP
- Kentucky Council on Post-Secondary Education
- Eastern Kentucky University
- EVERFI
- The National Guard
- Signal Vine
- KHEEA
- Cowan Community Center

TRAININGS DEVELOPED FOR STUDENTS

- Good Study Habits
- A Guide to How to Better Select Your Program of Study
- SMART Goals
- Time Management
- Learning Styles
- Financial Literacy
- Notetaking Skills
- Advocating for One's Self and Networking

TRAININGS DEVELOPED FOR PAID INTERNS AT COWAN COMMUNITY CENTER & PROSPER APPALACHIA

- Financial Literacy
- Finding Your Purpose
- Social Media Management | Being Your Own Brand
- Post-High School | Career Pathways
- Leadership & Community Service
- Mental Health Basics, Resilience & GRIT (Coping Skills)
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
- Professionalism
- Resume, Interviewing, Email Etiquette & First Impressions
- Management & SMART Goals
- Mind Over Matter | Positive Self-Talk
- Time & Interviewing, Professionalism & Developing Resumes

MAJOR EVENTS FOR COLLEGE SUCCESS WEEK

This virtual event for students featured speakers and topics such as:

Dr. Aaron Thompson, President of the Council on Post-Secondary Education

Dr. Lara Vance, Director of Student Services at ECU

Dr. Gill Hunter, Assistant VP of Student Retention at ECU

Reps from the National Guard and KHEAA

All About the ACT

Paying for College

Financial Literacy for Recent Grads

Thriving in College Classes

First Year College Experience

The Admissions Process

