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Dual Enrollment Pathways:

Advance at College, Advance College Experience (ACE) and Gateway to College Programs

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advancing quality college courses for high school students

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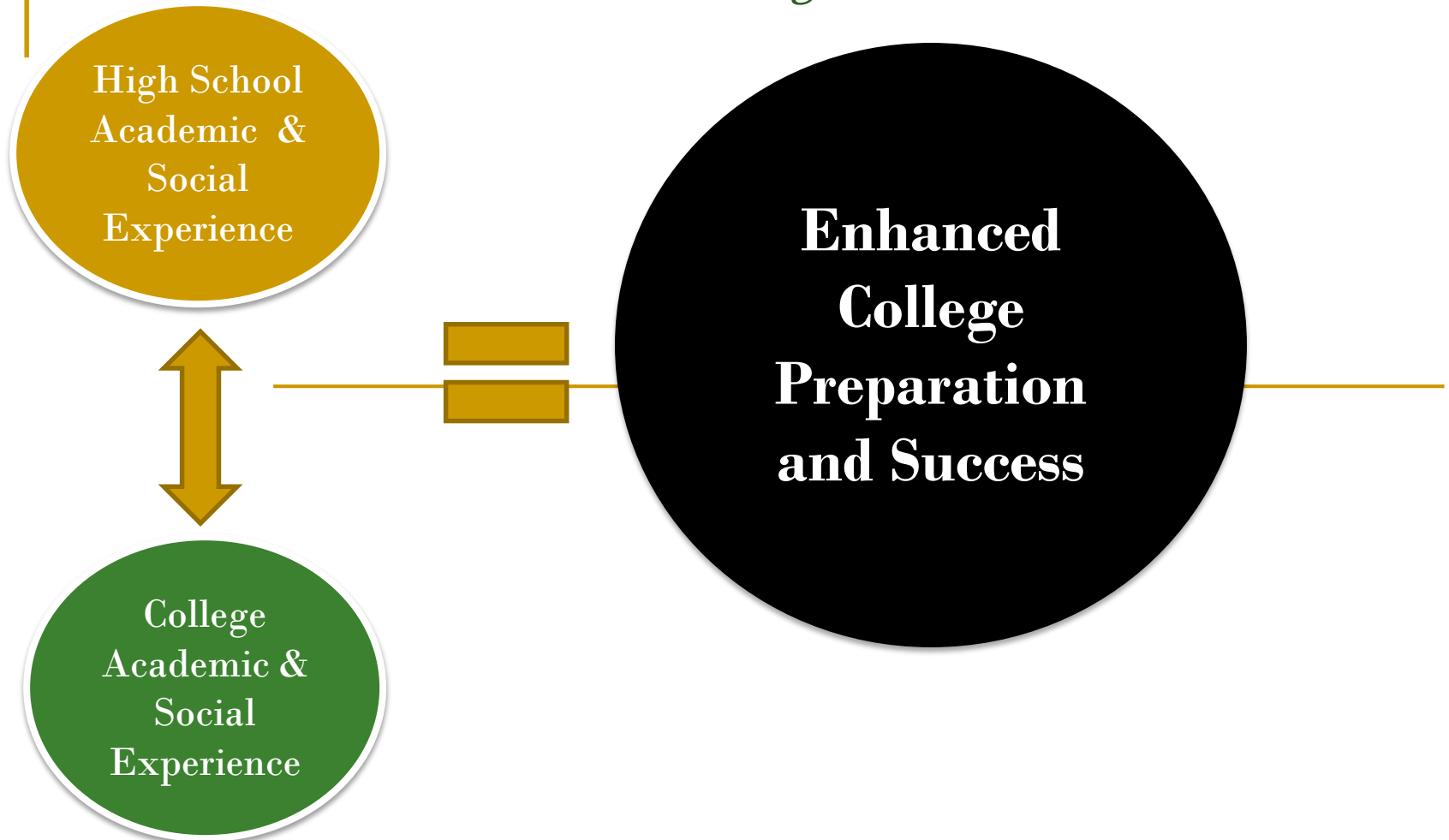Timeka Ford-Smith

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA
Division of Access and Community Engagement
Dual Enrollment Programs

Advance at College, Advanced College Experience (A.C.E.) and Gateway to College

High School Academic & Social Experience

College Academic & Social Experience

= Enhanced College Preparation and Success

What is *Advance at College*?

Advance at College is the College's flagship dual enrollment program and provides 11th and 12th grade Philadelphia high school students and students actively enrolled in and pursuing a high school equivalency the opportunity to enroll in college-level and developmental courses. Students have full access to the College's support services as well as services provided by their attending high school. Students may enroll at main campus, any one of the College's regional centers, participating neighborhood sites and in distance courses. Select scholarships are available for eligible students.

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Early Scholars

- *Early Scholars* is a state-funded scholarship opportunity under *Advance at College* for academically eligible students entering 11th or 12th grade to earn up to 18 credits a year. The scholarship pays for tuition, books and course fees. Students can choose from a variety of courses.

- **Qualifications**:
  - Live in Philadelphia and attend a School District of Philadelphia public or charter high school
  - Have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
  - Take the College's placement assessment and place at appropriate levels (Level 4 or higher on English and Math 017 or higher)

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What is *Advanced College Experience* (ACE)?

ACE allows motivated 9th-12th grade high school students and high school equivalency-seeking students 21 years of age or less to take college courses during the summer. Students earning a *C* or higher, receive college credit. Students earning less than a *C*, gain the experience of taking part in a college course as non-credit yet no negative grade on their official transcript.

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF PHILADELPHIA'S
Overarching Dual Enrollment Program Goals

1.
- Provide high school students with an opportunity to begin college early and improve chances of on-time completion.

2.
- Provide opportunity youth and high school equivalency-seeking students a supported and early chance to experience college.

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GOAL 1: Provide high school students with an opportunity to begin college early.

Rigorous coursework is offered to students beyond what is accessible at the secondary level. Some of the more popular course offerings and subject areas include:

- Introduction to Computer Programming
- Introduction to Psychology
- Upper level Foreign Language courses
- Environmental Science
- Introduction to Law
- Social Science courses
- Introduction to Music Technology

Students can also take developmental courses, if determined by placement.

GOAL 2: Provide opportunity youth and high school equivalency-seeking students a chance to experience college

2016 ACE Plus Summer Program for Opportunity Youth:

- 45 students took courses either for credit or as a non-credit workshop. Courses included:

  - Introduction to Video Game Development
  - Introduction to Business
  - Survey of Justice

  - Introduction to Psychology
  - Introduction to Music Technology
  - Spanish I

- Students also participated in afternoon workshops to develop college readiness skills such as:

  - Time Management
  - Study Skills
  - Career Exploration

  - Conflict Resolution
  - Leadership Development
  - The Business of Music

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Dual Enrollment Supports for Students

Manager, K-16 Partnerships and Coordinator, Early Scholars

- ❑ Provide direct, meaningful and sustained connections to the College
- ❑ Monitors attendance, disciplinary/academic issues
- ❑ Manages course registration and payment
- ❑ Maintains ongoing communication with participating school/program administrators, College faculty, parents, and community organizations
- ❑ Provides course selection guidance, where appropriate

Access to Academic Support Services and College Activities

- ❑ Learning Lab, Library, SACC, Student Events and Activities, etc.

Significantly Reduced Costs

- ❑ $98.58 per credit for Advance at College students/$250 per course for ACE students
- ❑ All fees waived
- ❑ One free transcript

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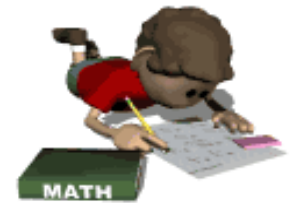
What is *Gateway to College*?

Gateway to College is a program funded by the School District of Philadelphia for out-of-school Philadelphia youth between the ages of 16-21 (also known as opportunity youth) who have not finished high school but have a desire to get back on track to earn a high school diploma and more. Gateway to College students simultaneously accumulate high school and college credits, earning their high school diploma while advancing towards an associates degree or certificate.

Gateway to College
Who's eligible?

Gateway to College Student Requirements:

- Philadelphia youth between the ages of 16-21

- Not currently enrolled in high school

- Able to complete high school diploma requirements within three years

- **Have an expressed desire to earn a high school diploma and more!**

Gateway to College
Support Services

Gateway provides numerous support services to help students achieve academic success in a college environment:

- Academic Coordinators who serve as mentors and coaches

- Social-emotional and academic counseling and guidance

- College and career planning assistance

- Assistance in problem solving and time management

- Tutoring

- Student activities

- Assistance with childcare, transportation, subsidized work experience

- Flexible class scheduling

- Online credit recovery coursework

- Incentives for stellar academic performance and other notable achievements

Gateway to College

- **What Gateway Offers**: Students take college classes for both high school and college credit. Gateway also offers online credit recovery course options for students to earn high school credit. Gateway pays for **tuition and books** as well as a wide variety of support and services to aid students in academic success.

- **Program Expectations:**
  - Students take 3-4 classes per term
  - Students complete 3 to 4 hours of homework per night
  - Grades of "C" or higher in all classes
  - 100% class attendance
  - Attendance in Gateway Achievement Lab for academic support
  - Work hard on a daily basis. Students are expected to come in with an attitude in which hard work is a must and failure is not an option

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Future NACEP Webinars and Events:

August 3rd: Accreditation Reality: Successful Small Programs (W)

August 10th: Advising Series-Put Me In Coach! Helping Parents and Students Understand their Roles in the Big Game (W)

August 22nd: Discovery Series- Portland State University Senior Inquiry Model (W)

September 6th: The Large Program Guide-Impact, Management, Success (W)

September 21st: Connecting Spaces-Developing Collaborative Curricula between High School and College English Teachers (W)