

A2HE ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

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Presentation Overview

- ▶ Access to Higher Education (A2HE) Events Overview
- ▶ Collaborative Efforts around Access to Higher Education
- ▶ Walkthrough of the Day of the High School Event
- ▶ Student Surveys and Interviews (Postsecondary Attendance) Data
- ▶ Discussion of new and future Access to Higher Education events
- ▶ Questions and Discussion

Access to Higher Education Events Overview

1. Access to Higher Education (A2HE) - High School
 - ▶ Fall Semester (October)
2. A2HE - Middle School
 - ▶ Spring Semester (March)
3. A2HE - Extreme Registration
 - ▶ Spring Semester (April)
4. A2HE - Leadership (Pending)

A2HE - High School Overview

What it used to be

- ▶ One Annual Event Since 2008
- ▶ Saturday Event
- ▶ First Event at Fresno State
- ▶ Morphed into a Focused Effort on Application for Admission at Community Colleges
- ▶ Dependency Court
- ▶ Court Ordered for Juvenile Probation
- ▶ Invitations Were Sent Out

A2HE - High School Overview

What it is now

- ▶ Collaborative Effort (Handout)
- ▶ Multiple Events with A2HE brand
- ▶ Goal: Career Awareness and Degree/Certificate Options
- ▶ A2HE High School Event (9th through 12th grade students)
 - ▶ Friday Event
 - ▶ Focused Efforts on degrees, certificates, and career exploration
 - ▶ Collaborative Effort with FCSS, DSS, High Schools, Community Colleges, Local Foster Youth Agencies, with support of Dependency Court
 - ▶ CASA Support with facilitating Finances
 - ▶ Open Promotion to Recruit Students to Participate
 - ▶ Now viewed as School Event/Field Trip
 - ▶ Averages around 160-170 students each year

A2HE - High School Overview

Why the changes?

- ▶ LCAP and LCFF and increased district involvement
- ▶ Collaborative Effort Resulted In:
 - ▶ Pool Resources
 - ▶ Share Resources/Ideas Across Events
- ▶ Held on Friday
 - ▶ School Day
 - ▶ District Staff are Available

Collaborative Efforts for A2HE - High School

- ▶ Event Planning Schedule (Handout)

Collaborative Efforts for A2HE - High School

- ▶ Collaborative Efforts
 - ▶ How Do We Pay For This?
 - ▶ CASA facilitates payments for vendors and supplies
 - ▶ Funds previously provided through Grants and Donations
 - ▶ Foster Youth Services Coordinating Provides Majority of Funding (FCSS)

Collaborative Efforts for A2HE - High School

- ▶ Who Pays for What?
 - ▶ Budget Handout
 - ▶ DSS pays for Breakfast and Lunch
 - ▶ Community Colleges Facilities are in-kind (no charge for use of facilities)
 - ▶ Backpacks, T-Shirts, Signs, and Supplies - Promesa/FCSS
 - ▶ Invitations - Promesa/DSS
 - ▶ Raffle Prizes - Donations from Dependency Court, ILP, Foster Youth Agencies

Collaborative Efforts for A2HE - High School

- ▶ Collaborative Efforts
 - ▶ Recruitment Efforts
 - ▶ Flyers/Posters
 - ▶ Save the Date
 - ▶ ILP Promotion
 - ▶ DSS Case Managers Promotion
 - ▶ DSS Education Liaisons
 - ▶ Foster Youth Liaisons
 - ▶ FCSS Ed Specialists

Collaborative Efforts for A2HE - High School

- ▶ Collaborative Efforts
 - ▶ Transportation
 - ▶ Charter Busses
 - ▶ Switch to School District Buses/Vans for Transportation

Collaborative Efforts for A2HE - High School

- ▶ Collaborative Efforts
 - ▶ Volunteers
 - ▶ FFAs
 - ▶ Group Home Staff
 - ▶ Probation Officers
 - ▶ DSS Staff - Social Workers, ILP Social Workers, Education Liaisons
 - ▶ Community College Staff
 - ▶ School District Liaisons and Staff
 - ▶ FCSS Staff

A2HE High School - Day of Event

- ▶ Registration
- ▶ Leadership
- ▶ Group Tours (Matrix Handout)
- ▶ Lunch/Student Surveys
- ▶ Social/Emotional Component/Peer Interaction

A2HE High School - Day of Event

▶ Registration

- ▶ Registration will be done by the districts on the bus
 - ▶ Why? Registration as students arrived was chaos
 - ▶ Using a template for registration for long term data collection (Handout)
- ▶ No Name Tags with Names, Just Identified as Districts
- ▶ Students organized into three groups by group color

A2HE High School - Day of Event

- ▶ Leadership
 - ▶ Kick-Off Event
 - ▶ Get Students Excited and Thinking about College/Career

A2HE High School - Day of Event

- ▶ Group Tours (Matrix Handout)
 - ▶ Rotate students through programs

A2HE High School - Day of Event

- ▶ Lunch and Student Surveys (Survey Handout)
 - ▶ Corral Students and Require Student Surveys are required before entering line to get lunch
 - ▶ Provide Incentive for Survey Completion - \$10 Starbucks Gift Card
 - ▶ Pizza most cost-effective Lunch
 - ▶ Soda, Water, and Cookies

A2HE High School - Day of Event

Social/Emotional Development (photos at end of presentation)

- ▶ Ice Cream and Shaved Ice Vendors
- ▶ DJ
- ▶ Lawn Games
- ▶ T-Shirt Making
- ▶ Raffle Prizes given out during this time (based on registration, randomly selected names from registration list)
- ▶ Provides students the chance to have fun, meet up with each other, hang out, embrace social aspect of college life etc.

A2HE High School - Debrief

- ▶ Debrief Meeting 1 week after event to revise and refine

Student Survey Data and Postsecondary Education Data

- ▶ Student Survey Data (Handout)
- ▶ Develop Agreements to share data
 - ▶ Plans for Postsecondary Data
 - ▶ Most data is in Foster Focus, Entered by FCSS
- ▶ Qualitative Data

A2HE Extreme Registration Event

- ▶ Held in April
- ▶ Started in 2015
- ▶ Purpose is to get 12th grade seniors fully matriculated by end of event

A2HE Extreme Registration Event

- ▶ Planning Committee Meets in February
- ▶ Secure Facility at Community College
- ▶ Arrange for Breakfast and Lunch
- ▶ Plan walkthrough for 1 week before date of event

A2HE Extreme Registration Event

- ▶ High School Foster Youth Liaisons & FCSS Ed Specialists
 - ▶ Application for Admission
 - ▶ Orientation
 - ▶ Assessment
- ▶ Most students have some of these steps completed

A2HE Extreme Registration Event

▶ Prior to Event

- ▶ Districts send list of seniors to Community College
 - ▶ Get College ID
 - ▶ Check Assessment Test Scores
 - ▶ Prepare Passport for each student (Handout)
- ▶ Community College staff work with Admissions and Records
 - ▶ Send list of Seniors in to A&R for Priority Registration Date
- ▶ Plan walkthrough a week before
- ▶ DSS provides Ward of the Court Letters

A2HE Extreme Registration Event

- ▶ Day of Event (handout) and Volunteer Assignments (handout)
 - ▶ Registration - Precleared Students Receive their Passport
 - ▶ Orientation - Held for All Students
 - ▶ Assessment - For those missing Assessment Scores
 - ▶ Advising
 - ▶ Class Selection and Registration
 - ▶ Resource Tables - Used to fill up time for students who are further along

A2HE Extreme Registration Event

- ▶ Day of Event
 - ▶ Debrief after event for revise and refine.
- ▶ 2015 - 19 Foster Youth Seniors
- ▶ 2016 - 33 Foster Youth Seniors
- ▶ 2017 - 39 Foster Youth Seniors

Student Survey Data and Postsecondary Education Data

- ▶ Student Video Interviews

Other A2HE Events

- ▶ Quick overview of:
 - ▶ Middle School Event
 - ▶ Plans for Leadership Event

Questions and Discussion

Questions?