Graduation Coaching that Impacts Student Success

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What are the critical connections we must make to support and strengthen the processes for promoting continual progress in our districts and schools?
Graduation Rates

• 2012 Graduation Rates
  – Georgia Schools 69.72%
  – Fulton County Schools 71.34%
  – Atlanta Public Schools 50.87%
  – DeKalb County Schools 57.28%
  – Clayton County Schools 53.61%
  – Cobb County Schools 76%
  – Gwinnett County Schools 70.98%
Graduation Rates

• 2013 Graduation Rates
  – Georgia Schools 71.5%
  – Fulton County Schools 75.5%
  – Atlanta Public Schools 58.6%
  – DeKalb County Schools 58.9%
  – Clayton County Schools 55.8%
  – Cobb County Schools 76.5%
  – Gwinnett County Schools 72.7%
South Atlanta Educational Complex

• 2012 Graduation Rates
  – School of Health and Medical Science 67.42%
  – School of Law and Social Justice 56.04%

• 2013 Graduation Rates
  – School of Health and Medical Science 77.6%
  – School of Law and Social Justice 62.2%
Graduation Coach Role

• Caseload Monitoring of At-Risk Students
  - Attendance (Students with 10 or more absences are 2.6 times more likely to drop out)
  - Behavior (Students with F grade in conduct are 3.3 times more likely to drop out)
  - Course Performance/Credit Accumulation (Students who fail both Math and ELA are 9.3 times more likely to drop out)

Source: APS internal data
Graduation Coach Interventions

- Credit Recovery
- Alternative Placement
- Cohort Monitoring
Credit Recovery

• Novanet
• Georgia Credit Recovery
• Grad Point
• Plato
• Atlanta Virtual Academy
• Summer School
  – School must have opportunities available to all students to recover credits (SAEC – over 100 2nd year 9th graders)
Credit Recovery

- South Atlanta Educational Complex offers multiple credit recovery opportunities to students
  - Grad Point (offered during the day)
  - Grad Point Evening School and Saturday School (Pilot Program 2013-2014)
  - Atlanta Virtual Academy (meets NCAA requirements)
  - Crim Open Campus Evening School and Saturday School
  - Summer School
Credit Recovery

• What is Grad Point? Grad Point delivers the curriculum and classroom management resources you need all on an easy-to-use, online learning platform.
  – Prescriptive (credit recovery)
  – Flexible (remediation)
  – Sequential (first time takers)
Credit Recovery

• Atlanta Virtual Academy (AVA)
  – Flexible Virtual Learning Options for Students
  – Teacher-led 100% online instruction (meets NCAA requirements)
  – Mandatory Student Orientation
  – Course Offerings include: Math I-IV, Coordinate Algebra, 9th Literature, American Literature, 10th Grade Literature, British Literature, Biology, Physical Science, Environmental Science, US History, World History, Economics, Health, Personal Fitness, Spanish I and II, French I and II
Credit Recovery

• Crim Open Campus Evening School and Saturday School.
  – Provides 5th - 7th periods for all students within the district to attend for Evening School classes (3:45 pm-7:39 pm)
  – Provides (5) sessions of Saturday School throughout year (5 Saturdays from 9:00 am-1:00 pm)
Alternative Placement

• A traditional high school setting is not suitable for all students. At times, alternative placements must be explored to increase student success.
  – Crim Open Campus
  – Magic Johnson Bridgescape
  – Provost Academy
  – West End Academy (student remains on home school roster)

(coded as transfer students once enrolled, does not affect drop-out rate)
Alternative Placement

- Job Corps
- Youth Challenge
- Adult Education Program
- Atlanta Workforce Development Agency

(coded as other, considered drop-out for school)
Cohort Monitoring

- Monitor student enrollment and withdrawal based on cohort
- Locate students
- Ensure proper coding of students (quarterly reports of student withdrawal)
- Assist students to enroll back in school (home school or alternative placement)
- Work closely with your school’s Registrar’s Office
Cohort Monitoring

• How to locate students?
## Cohort Monitoring

### LSJ Withdrawal Roster

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