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Bridging Expertise: Collaborating to Support the Transitions of At-Promise Youth

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Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future.

John F. Kennedy

I believe that children are our future. Teach them well and let them lead the way. Show them all the beauty they possess inside.

Margaret Mead

"OUR GREATEST NATURAL RESOURCE IS IN THE MINDS OF OUR CHILDREN."
- WALTER ELIAS DISNEY
At-Promise Youth

- Low-Income
- First Generation College
- Gifted
- Individuals w/ with Disabilities
- DCFS

EHS/Talks

At Promise Youth

Low Income

First Generation College

Gifted

Individuals w/ Disabilities

DCFS
At-Promise Youth

Common Myths

Truths

Challenges

Strengths
Who can support at-promise youth?

Parents – Mentors – Health Professionals

Physicians – Resiliency Programs

Philanthropist – Community Members

Politicians – Businesses

Professors – Teachers - Scientist
Things to consider when supporting at-promise youth?

- Needs
- Challenges
- Strengths (gifts, talents)
- Barriers
- Supports
Things to Consider:

• Cultural Competency
• Decision Making and Problem Solving Skills
• Triune Brain Theory: Self-regulation
• Resiliency Programs
• Coping skills and interventions
• Psychoeducation and Alternative Group Therapies
• Change Theory
• Gardner’s Multiple Intelligences
• Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs
• Yalom’s 11Therapeutic Factors
Benefits of supporting at-Promise Youth

– Healthier youth and communities
– Maximized time, money, and resources
– Shared responsibility
– Informed decision making
– Increased collegiality
– Greater impact on economy and society
– Connections and better outcomes
– Increased opportunity for grant funding agencies
How can we collaborate to support at-promise youth?
Supporting at-Promise Youth

- Volunteering
- Mentoring
- Career Talks and Job Shadows
- Donations and incentives
- Strategic Planning Teams
- Opening facilities to host youth
- Empowerment and education
- Programming and support
- Communication and advertisement
- Participating in and/or conducting research
Thank you for your support!

Bringing All Stakeholders to the table