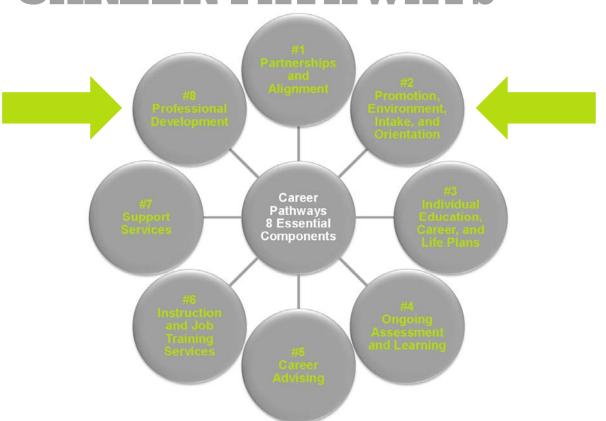


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8 ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS OF CAREER PATHWAYS



#2 Promotion, Environment,Intake, and Orientation

Promotion, Environment, Intake, and Orientation

All aspects of the program reflect college and career readiness and support career pathways.

Intake and orientation include career-related activities.

The program offers both managed and open enrollment.

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Program Demographics

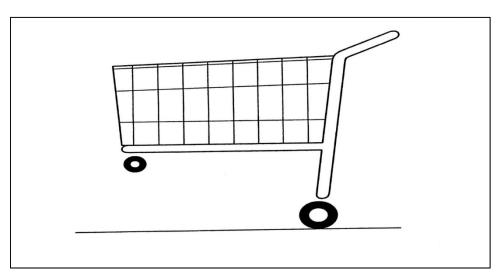
Urban

31 part-time staff + volunteers 500 enrolled students

Promotion, Environment, Intake, and Orientation Pre-Gap Analysis

- ➤ Promoted as a GED® program
- ➤ Offered college bridge classes
- ➤ Managed enrollment
- Centralized orientation

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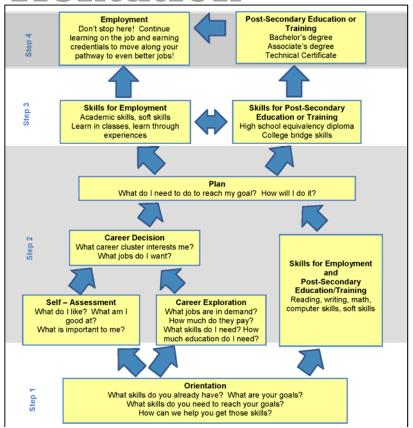
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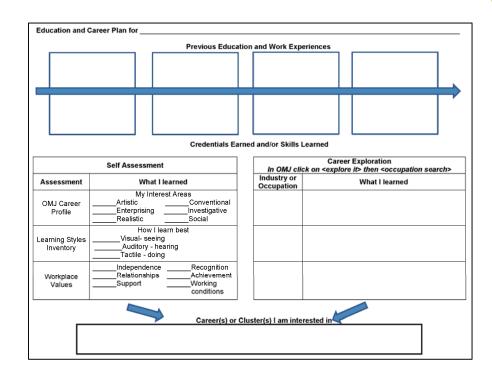
In Action

Create a student experience model.



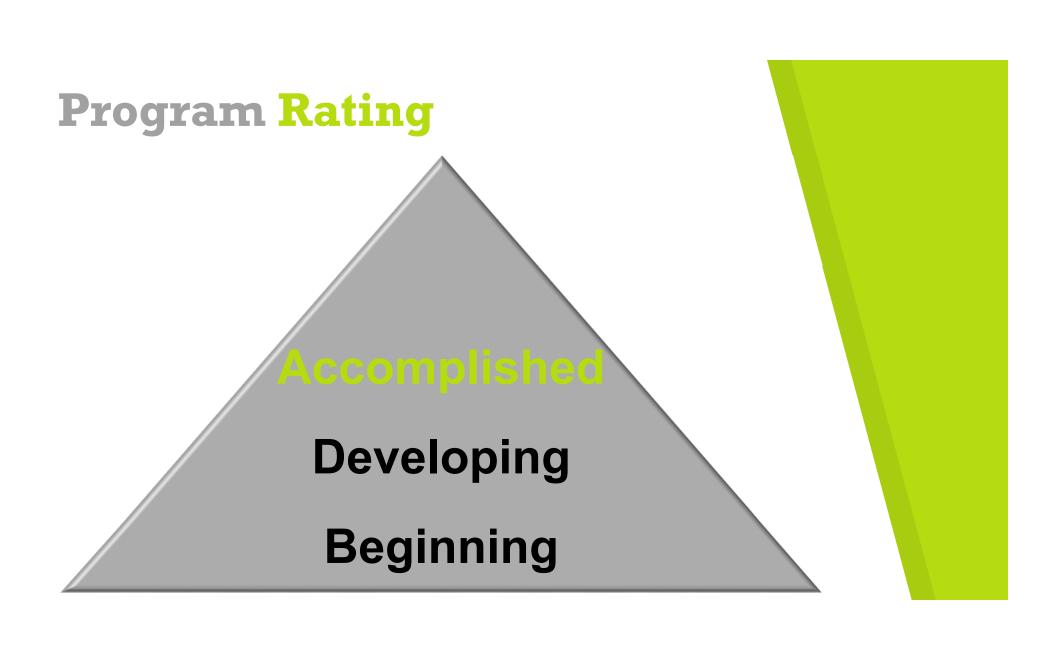
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Program Successes and Challenges

Successes

We were able to get buy-in so easily. People really saw the value in the change!

Challenges

The cost of the new signs and marketing materials was a challenge.

We had to spread the word about rebranding from "the GED program" to the Adult College and Career Readiness Center.

Program Lessons Learned

Jump in the deep end.

 For full implementation, someone has to take the lead.

Combine components.

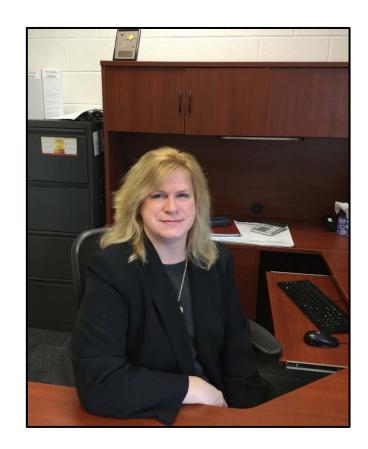
 The components overlap and depend on each other.

Be flexible.

 Build on what works and learn from what doesn't work.

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Program Demographics

Rural

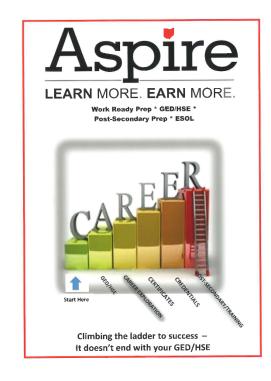
15 staff + 6 volunteers

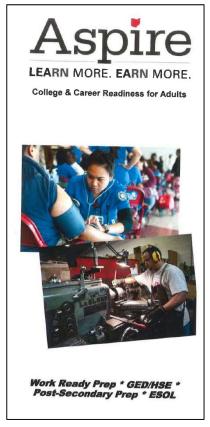
440 enrolled students

Promotion, Environment, Intake, and Orientation Pre-Gap Analysis

- ➤ Promotions needed updates.
- ➤ We had a GED® focus.
- ➤ Orientation included GED® and other services.

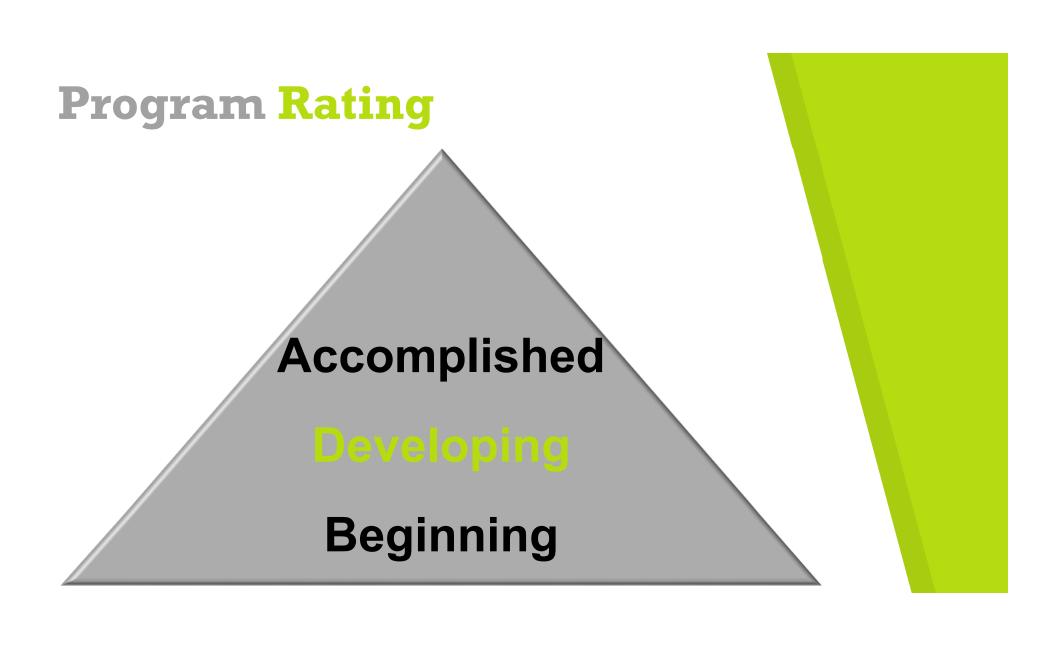
In Action





- Environment: added a TV in main office that scrolls:
 - ➤ Local post-secondary facilities
 - KSU Bridges Program
 - ➤ Aspire Medical Readiness Program
 - > Employment tips (soft skills, etc.)
 - > Transition Counselor information
 - ➤ Ohio Means Jobs/employment information
 - Job Fairs
 - Information regarding upcoming visits from educational organizations
 - > Aspire services & sites

- Orientation
 - ➤ Medical Readiness Program (bridge)
 - ➤ Job Ready
 - ➤ Meet the Workforce Development Director
 - > Free basic Microsoft Certification
 - > KSU Bridges Program, additional post-secondary options
 - Ohio Means Jobs information and account creation
 - Career Clusters (fill out form)
 - "What You Like" (fill out form related to CP)
 - > All students work on OMJ online Budget Calculator
 - > Advising session with the Transition Counselor



Program Successes and Challenges

Successes

We've had complements on our updated promotions. Students are asking for our folders now.

Challenges

Revising Orientation, including career pathways in Orientation, and getting staff to buy into the changes was difficult.

Program Piece of Advice

Hang in there!

 Career Pathways is a process. You may already have some components in place that may need slight adjustments. The rest will not happen all at once, but over time.



Career Pathways Resources

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Thank you!

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