

Creating Postsecondary Leadership Teams (PLTs)

PLT Goals and Accomplishments Through the Years

A timeline from Washington High School that shows the PLT's progression over a three-year span while highlighting the team's focus areas and key supports.





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	School Year 2012-13	School Year 2013-14	School Year 2014-15
Focus Area(s)	Establishing a College and Career Culture	 Building the College and Career Culture Applying to College Developing a Schoolwide Approach (mindsets, buy-in, reframing, and extended opportunities) 	 Postsecondary Data Management and Use Applying to College (Match) Paying for College (Scholarships) Family Engagement College Choice
Key Supports	Year One of PLT UChicago Consortium Research Potholes on the Road to College College Fridays February Professional Development College Advisory Forums (Juniors and Seniors) Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Day Introduction on Naviance Senior Seminar College Community Partner Decision Day	 Year Two of PLT Read UChicago Consortium Potholes Case Studies PLT Kick-Off & Mid-Year Professional Development College Advisory Forums (early Fall) Senior Parent Dinner Year Two with Naviance Formation of Senior Leadership Team UChicago Consortium College Enrollment Reports (pilot year) Postsecondary Passport (pilot year) Introduction of College Café Senior Seminar College Community Partner Year Two IB College Academy Introduction of Grade-Level Teams Introduction of Postsecondary Milestones 	 Year Three of PLT Read book Crossing the Finish Line College Advisory (Fall, with more staff involvement) Senior College Nights (3) Year Three with Naviance (using Alumni Tracker) Postsecondary Monthly Reports Postsecondary Passport (version 2.0) Year Two of Senior Leadership Team Major Scholarships Strategy FAFSA Day IB College Academy College Café Senior Seminar College Community Partner Year Three Two College & Career Coaches Student-Counselor Conferences







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Key Supports (cont.)		 Setting PLT Three-Year Goals Leaving the Nest (trunk party) College Visits Washington Wire Decision Day 	 Junior and Senior Coach Conferences College Visits Senior Parent Phonathon Leaving the Nest (trunk party) Decision Day Summer Fest
Outcomes	 PLT commitment and learning is established Emerging College and Career Culture 2% increase in college enrollment rate (45%) \$5.1 million in scholarships 	 Increased college applications Use of common language when working with adults and students Increased parent involvement 14% increase in college enrollment rate (59%) \$7.4 million in scholarships Staff buy-in 	 Effective use of data More structured college advising Increased student ownership of application process \$9.7 million in scholarships Increased parent involvement Staff buy-in



