

College Access for All

Building a college- and career-ready culture in every New York City public school







Nearly one in four NYC students does not enroll in college or other meaningful postsecondary pathways after graduation. College Access for All aims to reduce the gap between high school graduation and postsecondary enrollment.

What is College Access for All?

College Access for All (CA4A) is part of the mayor's ambitious "Equity and Excellence" agenda to ensure all NYC students succeed in their postsecondary path. College Access for All is aimed at ensuring that every high school will have the resources they need to create a college- and career-ready culture that enables all students to develop a meaningful postsecondary plan. CA4A's goal is to raise the bar of achievement for every student, shifting the focus from high school graduation to postsecondary success, and graduating students with the skills, mindsets, and long-term planning abilities required to thrive in the postsecondary pathway of their choice.

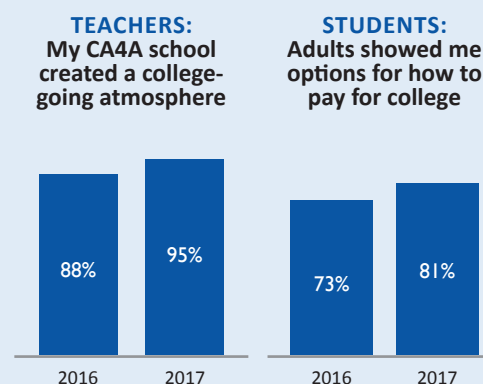
How Does CA4A Work?

CA4A offers participating high schools three years of funding, as well as access to a community dedicated to increasing college and career access for students by advancing the best practices needed to build a "college- and career-ready" culture in every high school. This support is anchored in four core components:

 College- and career-ready culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Bring together teaching and counseling staff to embed college and career conversations across each student's high school experience✓ Mark the college- and career-planning process with events like Application Week and Career Exploration Month
 Professional learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Build staff capacity, understanding, and investment through training and coaching✓ Join a citywide community of peers engaging in similar college- and career-readiness work
 Alignment of resources to goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Support your improvement plan with funding to reach your goals✓ Build partnerships that directly support students✓ Use tested college- and career-planning tools
 Postsecondary planning teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Create systems and structures for measuring student success and assessing your postsecondary program

CA4A's Numbers

CA4A schools build a schoolwide college- and career-ready culture. **Among the 101 schools in the first cohort of CA4A schools, surveys found significant growth:**



Survey response options: "My school created an atmosphere that encourages students to work towards a college degree." "Adults showed me options for how to pay for college (e.g., scholarships, grants, loans, work-study programs)."

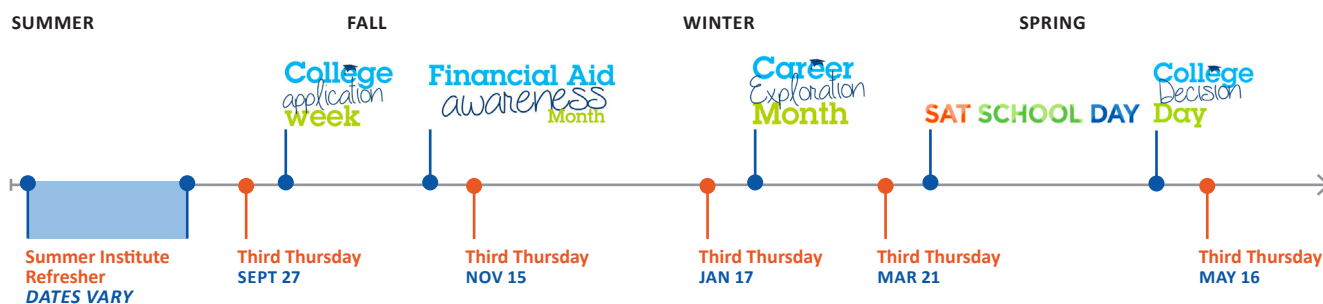
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College Access for All Events

For schools that joined 2016–17 and 2017–18



The Team



Supporting high schools means being available and responsive. The College Access for All team is dedicated to making this program work for your building, and that includes answering any and all questions about how or where the program can best fit your needs. **For questions on...**

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