Improving Higher Education Outcomes for Young Adults in Foster Care

Readings, Resources, Program Links

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* Austin Community College, [Foster Care Alumni Program](http://www.austincc.edu/fca)
* City College of San Francisco, [Guardian Scholars Program](http://www.ccsf.edu/NEW/en/student-services/student-counseling/guardians-scholars-program.html)
* Dallas County Community College District, [Foster Care Initiative](http://www.dcccd.edu/Emp/Departments/EA/TS/FosterCare/Pages/default.aspx)
* Fullerton College, [Foster Youth Success Initiative (FYSI)](http://fosteryouth.fullcoll.edu/)
* Los Angeles City College, [Guardian Scholars Program](http://www.lacitycollege.edu/services/guardianscholars/)
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* Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD), [Foster Youth Student Success Initiative](http://www.maricopa.edu/studentaffairs/fosteryouth/)
* Northwestern Michigan College, [Your NMC Program](http://www.nmc.edu/student-services/student-life/your-nmc.html)
* Pasadena City College, [The STARS Program](http://www.pasadena.edu/studentservices/financialaid/starsprogram.cfm)
* Piedmont Virginia Community College, [Great Expectations Program](http://www.pvcc.edu/admissions/steps-to-enrollment/foster-care-youth)
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### Four Year Colleges

* [Ball State University and Ivy Tech Community College](http://cms.bsu.edu/Academics/CentersandInstitutes/SSRC/GuardianScholars.aspx) - Indiana
* [Bennett College](http://www.bennett.edu/spotlights/releaseFosterCareInitiative14.pdf) – North Carolina
* [Boise State University](http://deanofstudents.boisestate.edu/impact-scholars/) - Idaho
* [California Polytechnic University Pomona](http://dsa.csupomona.edu/rs/)
* [California State University, Fullerton](http://www.fullerton.edu/guardianscholars)
* [Colorado State University](http://supporting.colostate.edu/fostering-success/)
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* [Michigan State University](http://www.finaid.msu.edu/fyas/appentry.asp)
* [Miami University – Regional Locations](http://www.regionals.muohio.edu/fostercare/)
* [Middle Tennessee State University](http://www.mtsu.edu/nextstep/)
* [Northern Arizona University](http://nau.edu/Fostering-Success-Program/)
* [Ohio University](http://www.ohio.edu/compass/stories/12-13/12/OMSAR-foster-program.cfm)
* [Sam Houston State University](http://www.shsu.edu/~forward/) - Texas
* [San Diego State University, Consensus Organizing Center](http://consensus.sdsu.edu/fcc.html)
* [San Francisco State University](http://www.sfsu.edu/~eop/gs.html) – California
* [San Jose State University](http://www.sjsu.edu/giving/impact/success/guardianscholars/) - California
* [Seattle University](http://www.seattleu.edu/fosteringscholars/) - Washington
* [Texas State University San Marcos](http://www.vpsa.txstate.edu/programs-and-services/Foster-Care-Alumni.html)
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* [University of Michigan](http://studentaffairs.umich.edu/article/61) & <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=loreYf8SlKA>
* [University of North Texas](https://www.facebook.com/untpush)
* [University of Washington](http://depts.washington.edu/omadcs/champions/)
* [Wayne State University](http://www.tipwaynestate.org/) - Michigan
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* [Wright State University](http://www.wright.edu/independent-scholars/) – Ohio

### Other Models

* [Promises2Kids, Guardian Scholars Program in San Diego County](http://promises2kids.org/guardian-scholars/)
* [From Foster Care to Success](http://www.fc2success.org) – national postsecondary education and training supports

### State Higher Education/Child Welfare/Community-Based Organization Collaboratives

* California – [California College Pathways](http://www.cacollegepathways.org/)
* Florida – [Florida Reach](http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/independent-living/reach/about)
* Georgia – [Georgia Embark](https://www.fanning.uga.edu/what-we-do/youth-leadership-development/support-youth-higher-education) & [Embark PPT](http://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.cacg-georgia.org%2Fdownloads%2Fpresentations%2FEMBARK_-_How_Georgia_is_Helping_Foster_and_Homeless_Youth_in_Georgia_Transition_to_Post-Secondary_Aspirations.pptx)
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* Michigan – [Fostering Success Michigan](http://fosteringsuccessmichigan.com/)
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* Virginia – [Great Expectations](http://greatexpectations.vccs.edu/)
* Washington - [Passport to College Promise](http://www.wsac.wa.gov/sites/default/files/PassportReport-FinalPDF_0.pdf) & [2014 Passport to College Promise State Summit](http://www.collegesuccessfoundation.org/wa/passport-to-college-state-summit)

*“For these are all our children, we will all profit by or pay for what they become.”*
 ― [James Baldwin](https://www.goodreads.com/author/show/10427.James_Baldwin)