Educational Success

Partners
Iowa College Aid
InSight Youth Advisory Board
Des Moines Area Community College
Iowa Aftercare Services Network
Department of Human Services
Iowa College Access Network
DHS Transition Review Committees
Youth Policy Institute of Iowa

2016-2018
Post-secondary bridge program piloted in Des Moines.

BASELINE
Less than 40% of Iowa ETV recipients persist from first to second semester (2016-17 - Iowa College Aid).

2018
Multi-sector workgroup completes factor analysis and agrees on strategies and activities.

HEAD WINDS
(Key Factors)
• Lack of shared understanding of who’s responsible and accountable for youth’s academic preparation and outcomes.
• Youth do not have enough opportunities to develop the skills needed to navigate life/education on their own.

STRATEGY
Develop policies, best practices and partnerships to improve preparation, bridging and on-campus/community supports to enable completion of post-secondary or career/technical training.

2019 ACTIVITIES
• Convene workgroup to review data, examine disparities, set targets and monitor progress.
• Develop and implement protocols and practice recommendations to support youth planning to enroll in college/vocational training.
• Provide information and cross-system training to colleges on supporting youth transitioning from foster care.
• Revise Iowa ETV rules to maximize utilization, efficiency and effectiveness.

2019 TARGETS
• 50% of ETV recipients persist from first semester to second.
• 50% of students approved for an ETV will enroll and attend a post-secondary program.