

College Possible Overview

WHO WE ARE

For more than 20 years, College Possible has helped students from low-income backgrounds fulfill their dream of a college degree with an intense curriculum of coaching and support provided by recent college grads. Coaching makes a real difference -- students enrolled in College Possible are three times more likely to complete a bachelor's degree than their peers from similar backgrounds. Coaches are close in age with recent, relevant experience; they know firsthand how tough it can be to navigate the college process and to persist through the systemic hurdles that students face every day.

WHAT WE DO

Junior Year

- College exploration and goal setting
- Online ACT Prep Course
- Drafting application essays and resumes
- Discussions about paying for college and making summer plans that support college

Senior Year

- College essay and application assistance
- Financial aid application and scholarship application support
- College selection and enrollment guidance + College life skills and transition to college advising

College

After completing the high school program, students can continue their coaching with College Possible, whether they enroll immediately, take time away from school, or later decide to transfer institutions.

- Connecting to resources and opportunities on campus
- Guidance developing self-advocacy, time-management, and study skills
- Ongoing encouragement and listening when opportunities and challenges arise Support identifying post-graduation internships or career placement resources

HOW DO WE DO THIS?

Each admitted student is paired with a College Possible coach - a caring, supportive, and knowledgeable guide each year until college graduation. Beginning in the fall of junior year, students will have at least two meetings or sessions with their coach each month. In these conversations, students will learn about and complete steps along the path to college with the support of their coach as well as other College Possible participants. After-school curriculum continues through the end of students' senior year. High school seniors will have specific support in the spring where they receive support to ensure that they're prepared to enroll in college.

During college, College Possible students will be paired with a coach who will connect with them throughout the year to provide timely information, resources, and support to ensure that they remain on the path toward college graduation.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Commit to full participation in the program, including regular communication with coach through monthly curriculum as well as general check-ins
- Meet College Possible income requirements. This determination can be made several ways we require each applicant's family to complete the enclosed Parent/Guardian Information Form
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Demonstrate an interest in attending college we provide support to multiple college pathways and provide detailed support to bachelor-granting colleges and universities
- College Possible does not have a citizenship requirement all students are encouraged to apply, regardless of citizenship status