

How is the **Get Stay Focused!**® Initiative Different from Other College and Career Ready Programs?

Get Focused...Stay Focused!® (GFSF) supports what research says is best for students.

- ✓ GFSF is designed for **ALL students** rather than a select few or a special population.
- ✓ GFSF is a **whole-school redesign project** with a continuum covering the four years of high school.
- ✓ GFSF is a curriculum-based effort, with **comprehensive instructional materials** for each grade in high school.
- ✓ The curriculum materials address **rigorous standards** and is **A-G approved (Area G)**.
- ✓ High school students graduate **with two vital and unique planning documents**: a dynamic 10-year career and life plan and a self-articulated Skills-based Education Plan.
- ✓ The keystone of the GFSF program is a **10-year career and education plan** that is broader than the four-year education plans commonly used by high schools and colleges.
- ✓ Students' online 10-year Plans can be used by **all instructors and counselors for advising and academic coaching**.
- ✓ A **mobile app** provides portability and just-in-time access to the 10-year Plan.
- ✓ Students develop a long-range **Skills-based Education Plan** that promotes successful entry into the workforce rather than a traditional Student Education Plan that focuses solely on graduation.
- ✓ The coursework for GFSF supports the **development of the higher-order thinking skills** required in the 21st century workforce.
- ✓ The GFSF program is the **"missing link"** for Career and Guided Pathway programs.
- ✓ Meets the **highest College/Career Indicator (CCI) performance level of Prepared**.
- ✓ The GFSF program is designed as a viable **dual credit opportunity** (dual enrollment and articulation).
- ✓ Designed so schools can launch quickly and efficiently, GFSF has one of the most **comprehensive professional development** programs available.
- ✓ The GFSF program **flips the college decision-making paradigm** and increases the percentage of students entering college with an **informed, declared major and an online 10-year Plan**.

The **Get Focused...Stay Focused!**® program changes the culture of the high school and provides a seamless student transition to college when high school and college counselors are familiar with the 10-year Plan!

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