

College Prep Workshops:

Achievers teens will choose 2 of the following workshops to attend on College Prep Day:

- **How to Choose**
- **Finances and College**
- **Student Life in College**
- **Completion & Success**

Workshop Descriptions:

How to Choose:

Choosing a college can be an exciting but nerve-racking experience. There are so many options, but which one is right for me? Does it matter which one I choose? What are the differences between a HBCU and a PWI? We will explore these options in this workshop.

Focus Areas:

- Community college
- Types of degrees offered (associate or bachelors)
- Colleges in different parts of the country

Finances and College:

College can be very expensive! While it may be intimidating, there are scholarship programs and opportunities for students to earn money while in school. We will explore these opportunities and show students the places where they can find these tools to help them be financially successful while in school.

Focus Areas:

- Work Study
- Off-campus jobs
- Maintaining a budget

Student Life in College:

With so many opportunities to explore, students can feel lost or anxious when it comes to college life. Let's explore the opportunities for fun in and around campus in a safe way. There is something for everyone, you've just got to find it!

Focus Areas:

- Study habits (individual or group – what works best?)
- Finding your niche
- Sports, clubs, recreation groups; oh my?!

Completion and success:

Your senior year of high school is winding down, but that doesn't mean it's over just yet! There's assignments and project to complete, but I don't feel like they are important. Now that I graduated from High School, what do I do now? We will explore these feelings and the importance of finishing senior year strong.

Focus Areas:

- Burnout - that won't happen to me!
- Importance of grades
- Basic time management skills (learning what works)

Civic Engagement Workshops:

Achievers teens will choose 2 of the following workshops to attend on Civic Engagement Day:

- **Social Media**
- **Individual Focus**
- **Society and You**
- **Advocacy and Justice**

Workshop Descriptions:

Social Media:

Social media offers an opportunity to build your personal brand which gives you a voice to develop a platform. You have the ability to bring about change. This session will teach students how to use their platform to transform their schools and communities into a supportive and safe environment for everyone!

Focus Areas:

- Personal branding
- Advocacy
- Benefits of social media

Individual Focus:

Your self-care is critical to your success in life. With so much going on, it can be easy to put other things first. Being a young person is hard. We know the world expects a lot out of you.

Focus Areas:

- Building coping skills
- Importance of a mentor
- Power of your voice

Society and You:

Young people bring many assets to community-building work, which too often are not valued or leveraged. Young people pursue and create change when they participate in school civics projects that involve addressing local problems, when they work with others in their neighborhood, when they work as part of organizations that enhance youth voices in communities, and in a myriad of other ways.

Focus Areas:

- Activism
- Civic engagement
- Participation in social movements

Advocacy and Justice:

Society's collective lens is now sharply focused on the disparity of experience among different social groups. There are moments in world history when social justice issues come to the forefront of global consciousness. In this workshop, we will explore ways to engage in advocacy and justice.

Focus Areas:

- Social justice issues
- Taking positive action
- Community organizing

Career / Life Dreams Workshops:

Achievers teens will choose 2 of the following workshops to attend on Career/Life Dreams Day:

- Option check
- Presentations and Public Speaking
- Personal Finance
- Direct to Career

Workshop Descriptions:

Option Check:

Don't think college is the right path for you? That's okay, there are many opportunities outside of attending college. Becoming your own boss, joining the workforce or signing up to join the military/national guard are all options to explore. We will explore these options and where to find them in this session.

Focus Areas:

- What is an entrepreneur?
- What are some jobs I can get out of high school?
- Which branch best helps you?

Presentations and Public Speaking:

Whether it's now or later, having an understanding of job applications and resumes is important. Learn how to stand out, master the art of interviewing and discover what it takes to land your dream job. While dress and visual appearances do matter, being well-spoken and having an understanding of influence is more important.

Focus Areas:

- Steps toward building a resume
- Practicing for interview questions
- Dressing appropriately for my interview

Personal Finance:

Getting that first paycheck can be really exciting! However, did you realize taxes come out and now you have to start paying bills? What happened to all that money? We will explore how to budget and ways to save along with learning about credit and why it matters.

Focus Areas:

- Taxes, what are they?
- Applying for a credit card
- Managing my money

Direct to Career:

Welcome to the life of a full time job! While this may sound intimidating, we all go through this as a young adult from part-time to full-time work. Working full-time can be stressful when managing work and a social life, but we can give you some helpful tips to work through it.

Focus Areas:

- What does full-time look like?
- How to manage the job search while working
- Career path