After SWAC, After Adult Dual Credit Advisor Workshop

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What is the role of the advisor?
WHO WE ARE

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Who are our students

SWAC

disengaged, underachieving with the potential to succeed
under 21
within reach of graduation
completing OSSD credits, DC

ADC

disengaged, underachieving with the potential to succeed
over 21
within reach of graduation
We help students explore and address barriers that might be preventing students from continuing their education by providing a smooth transition to postsecondary.

Topics include:
- Finding and exploring postsecondary programs of interest
- Applying to college or university
- Financing postsecondary education

These can be scheduled at any time during the time students are in the program.
Lessons Learned

- not always easy to transition to PSE
- some students are not ready for college
- many do not have support at home
- collaboration with other colleges helpful
- new semester, critical to have fresh ideas
- collaboration with board partners, teachers is critical
- collaboration with college advisors

Barriers:
- family/friends/relationships
- financial barriers (OSAP)
- confidence/esteem
- (mental) health
- child care
- stability
- academic challenges
- self advocacy
- maturity
Successes

- applying, confirming, registering (OCAS/OSAP)
- exploring pathways
- finding a pathway of interest
- successful at college/affirming capabilities
- even if not attending “now” pathway is planned
- connecting back with Advisor after graduating SWAC
Rapport helps with applying, builds trust, creates confidence, alleviates anxieties, potentially first caring adult in teen's life, connections, safe place to land when experiencing college challenges, place to talk about difficult situations, small achievable realistic goals.
Questions?
Thank You

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