

College Success Program

Congratulations to our ACCESS scholarship recipients. We are very proud of your hard work and all that you've achieved. All the best for a successful college experience.

Work with the ACCESS College Success Advisor to make sure you successfully attain your goal of receiving your degree. The ACCESS College Success Advisors serve ACCESS Scholars attending Christopher Newport University, George Mason University, Hampton University, Longwood University, Norfolk State University, Old Dominion University, Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia State University, Virginia Wesleyan University and the four campuses of Tidewater Community College and make visits to these campuses several times during the school year.

Find out when you can meet the **ACCESS** College Success Advisors by emailing your Advisor:

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- Christopher Newport University
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- Old Dominion University
- Virginia Wesleyan College

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- George Mason University
- Longwood University
- Four Campuses of Tidewater Community College

Check out our facebook page where our College Success Advisor posts additional scholarship opportunities and important information regarding deadlines, events, and current event topics.



Overview of College Success Program

ACCESS College Foundation's College Success Program provides direct services to ACCESS Scholars attending Christopher Newport University, George Mason University, Hampton University, Longwood University, Norfolk State University, Old Dominion University, Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia State University, Virginia Wesleyan University and the four campuses of Tidewater Community College and make visits to these campuses several times during the school year.

The ACCESS College Success Program seeks to:

- Increase the graduation rate for ACCESS Scholarship recipients
- Increase the re-application rate for ACCESS Scholars
- Increase awareness of existing college campus programs and services

In its eighth year, the ACCESS College Success Program has an overall 91% retention rate and four-year graduation rates that are nearly 2X higher than the Virginia average.

Services include outreach efforts to link scholars to appropriate college personnel or programs, assistance in re-applying for financial aid, and completing the steps to renew the [ACCESS "Last Dollar" Scholarship](#).

How does the College Success Program assist ACCESS Scholars?

The ACCESS College Success Program helps students make the most of their college experience. To achieve this goal, we serve our Scholars by:

- providing one-to-one counseling for academic, adjustment, financial, personal, and social issues.
- assisting ACCESS Scholars in completing the FAFSA and ACCESS "Last Dollar" scholarship application procedures.
- maintaining consistent communication via e-mail, mail, phone, and messaging to establish and maintain ongoing contact with Scholars.
- acting as advocate for students as issues arise regarding their college experience.
- acting as liaison with college departments to provide resource information to students.
- consistently monitoring of students' academic achievement progress