

DCPS

PERSISTS

Take the Next Step to College with a Support Network

College is an adventure, and as you take this next step, you're excited but might also feel nervous — you know that there are challenges ahead. You're ready for more independence, to learn, and to connect with new friends. Eventually, you want to graduate college with a degree in hand. Whatever your career goal, you know that having a college degree will help you get there.

No matter where you're headed, **DC Public Schools has your back**. DCPS Persists is a new program that provides you with a support network to help you succeed in college. DCPS Persists begins now and helps you make the transition from high school to starting at your new college and beyond.

What is DCPS Persists? Coaches In Your Corner

- Through DCPS Persists, eligible students are matched with a Coach who will help you make the transition to college and find out what academic, financial, and other resources are available to you on your college campus.
- **DCPS Persists Coaches will:**
 - Help you navigate financial aid, course registration, college-level courses and more.
 - Check in with you regularly by phone, text, email, or in-person.
 - Serve as a resource when you have questions or run into challenges.
 - Support you through the first two years of college.
- DCPS Persists Coaches are matched with you based on your college, so they get to know the place you're studying to help you get the best out of your college experience.
- Each DCPS Persists Coach has years of experience working with high school and college students. They work closely with the College & Career Coordinator at your high school to make sure your transition to college is smooth. Get to know more about our Coaches at bit.ly/PersistsCoaches

DCPS Persists Gives You a Network

- All college-bound DCPS seniors can attend a Pre-College Orientation this summer to get a head start on what to expect in college and to meet other DCPS students attending your college.
- DCPS Persists gives you access to the DCPS Alumni Network, meaning that you can stay in touch with other DCPS grads for college tips, career networking, and more.
- DCPS graduates also receive information through Forever DCPS, a monthly email that includes information on scholarships and key reminders for success in college.

Get Started with DCPS Persists!

Students who have been invited to participate in DCPS Persists can sign up by completing a consent form by June 30th: bit.ly/JoinDCPSPersists
Want to know if you're eligible or have questions?
Reach out to dcps.persists@k12.dc.gov.

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