

Get **Stay** Focused![®] CONFERENCE

March 23-25, 2020

The Conference of Collaboration

Empowering Successful Transitions from Middle/High School to College and into the Workforce

Hosted at
Santa Barbara City College

Join us for the 10th Annual *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*[®] Conference

For Post-Secondary Partners:

Get Focused...Stay Focused![®] Supports Successful Student Transitions from High School to College and College into the Workforce

Learn about the *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*[®] program with a backward-mapping design for delivering the knowledge and skills required for student success.

This innovative approach aims to:

- ✓ Provide an onramp for students to make **informed Guided Pathway** decisions
- ✓ Increase college and career readiness for students entering the community college system
- ✓ Decrease the time and cost needed for students to complete degrees, certificates, and/or transfers
- ✓ Foster collaboration with Promise Programs
- ✓ Increase Dual Enrollment/Articulation partnerships with K12 Partners

For Secondary Partners:

Get Focused...Stay Focused![®] Supports Successful Student Transitions from Middle School to High School and into College and Career

Discover the benefits of the *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*[®] program, helping to ensure that ALL students graduate college, career, and life ready.

This innovative approach aims to:

- ✓ Foster equity and access for ALL students
- ✓ Help students select a carefully considered career pathway
- ✓ Facilitate students' creation of a skills-based 10-year career and education plan
- ✓ Help students meet the **Prepared Level** of the CA State Accountability Measures
- ✓ Develop opportunities for early college credit
- ✓ Enhance the culture of your school
- ✓ Provide Career Exploration for K12 SWP

NEW THIS YEAR

10 Hours of In-Depth, Topic-Driven Institutes

This year's conference has been expanded to include optional post-conference Institutes that provide the opportunity to go in depth on a variety of topics that will help you enhance your current *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*[®] program or streamline the launch of a new program. After learning about the *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*[®] model the first day and a half, why not plan to stay on to further your capacity building?

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

From Post-Secondary:

- ✓ Guided Pathway team leaders
- ✓ K14 Technical Assistance Providers (TAPs)
- ✓ Administrators working to increase completion rates
- ✓ Dual Enrollment or Early College leadership
- ✓ Counseling, student services, or student affairs leadership teams
- ✓ Career Planning, College Success, or Freshman Experience course instructors
- ✓ Administrators responsible for high school/college collaborations
- ✓ Adult Ed and re-entry program administrators and team members

From Secondary:

- ✓ Principals, district administrators, counselors
- ✓ Teams working on high school/college collaborations
- ✓ College and Career Readiness Directors
- ✓ Administrators tasked with dropout prevention
- ✓ Administrators in charge of curriculum
- ✓ Academic teams from freshman academies
- ✓ Leaders of career pathways
- ✓ Special populations: ELL, SPED, and Out of School Youth program teams

For additional information, visit

GetFocusedStayFocused.org/events

For questions, please email Dr. Monica Carmo at

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WHAT YOU'LL LEARN!

Post-secondary participants learn how to:

- ✓ Effectively collaborate with high school partners
- ✓ Increase the percentage of students entering college with an informed, declared major and an Education Plan
- ✓ Improve accountability outcome measures including the percentage of students who complete degrees, certificates, and/or transfer
- ✓ Increase the percentage of students setting and achieving personal academic and career goals
- ✓ Plan for effective K12 SWP projects with high school partners
- ✓ Use *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*® as the onramp to Guided Pathways

Secondary participants learn how to:

- ✓ Provide students with an online 10-year Career & Education Plan that will guide them through post-secondary planning and matriculation
- ✓ Provide a strategic plan for reaching every learner with a comprehensive guidance course in 9th grade and follow-up modules in 10th - 12th grades
- ✓ Improve motivation as students answer "Who am I? What do I want? How do I get it?" and realize that they need to take initiative to reach their goals
- ✓ Develop students' financial literacy skills and teach them how to be independent adults in the future
- ✓ Effectively collaborate with college partners



The Post-Conference Institutes*

How to Implement the Freshman Course

Chapter-by-Chapter Introduction for Instructors Using the Career Choices Series

How to Implement a 2 to 3-unit College Freshman Course

Instructional Strategies for Student Success/First-Year Experience Courses

TIPS: Teaching Insights, Practices, & Solutions

For the Experienced Career Choices Series Instructors

My10yearPlan.com®

Hands-on Exploration of a Comprehensive Planning Tool

Start-Up Strategies for Principals and Administrators

Developing Your Strategic Plan for Building Your School-Wide Team Using the 10-Step Plan

School-Wide Guidance Strategies for Instructional Leaders

Strategies for Academic Coaching by Instructors Using the 10-Year Plan

Building a Bridge Between Middle School and High School

How to Implement a Bridge Program with Get Focused...Stay Focused!®

Implementing the Stay Focused! Follow-Up Modules

in the 10th, 11th, and 12th Grades

**for a complete list of institutes and their descriptions, visit academicinnovations.com/gfsfinstitutes*

WHAT YOU'LL GET!

- ✓ Up to three days of quality professional development
- ✓ All conference handouts
- ✓ A sample of the *Get Focused...Stay Focused!*® curriculum
- ✓ Morning coffee and a boxed lunch daily
- ✓ Facilitated planning time with conference presenters

TIMING

March 23
Conference Sessions 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Networking Event: 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

March 24
Conference Sessions: 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM
Institutes Begin: 12:30 PM to 4:30 PM
Optional evening tour of Santa Barbara

March 25
Institutes Continue: 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

CONFERENCE PRICING

All three days: \$499
(Early bird rate: \$449 - Register by December 1, 2019)

GFSF conference sessions only: \$349
(Early bird rate: \$299 - Register by December 1, 2019)

Post-conference institutes only: \$249

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