

THRIVE/SUCCEED Grant and Counseling

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Counseling

Spring has sprung! At least in the counseling world. Emotions are running high and we are addressing them well. Years ago, I traveled to sites on a very crazy schedule that was impossible to keep. Once I realized that this was inefficient counseling, I started to pay close attention to the adults at each of our sites. There are some amazing adults touching the lives of our students at sites. Our students are fortunate to have these adults that not only provide academics to them but also care about them as humans. **(Goal 1, 2, & 3)**

THRIVE/SELECT/REWARD/SUCCEED/SOAR Grants

SOAR Grant: I have heard wonderful feedback from sites on the work Heather Mendonsa is doing at our sites with our students in the area of career planning. In addition, Becca took a group of students to Ketchikan for a CTE experience. They visited and received information from: Vigot, IFA, AMHS, UAS, National Guard, The Mill at Ward Cove, and the Coast Guard Base. **(Goal 1)**

In addition, [ZSpace](#) modules have arrived and inventoried at Klawock City School District. The ones allocated to SISD will arrive shortly and we will figure out a plan to get them into our classrooms and available to our students. **(Goal 1)**

Becca and Heather are coordinating a post-secondary excursion to the Seattle area the week of May 8th for students in grades 11 and 12. If you know of a student in those grades that is interested, please encourage them to apply for this experience. **(Goal 1)**

THRIVE/SUCCEED/SELECT Update: Our elementary students had the opportunity to participate in PHlight Camp in February!! A big thanks to Coffman, Thorne Bay, and Klawock for hosting. **(Goal 1, 2 & 3)**

Through the THRIVE grant we are organizing our post-secondary excursion within the state of Alaska. This year, because we have multiple opportunities through the various grants we have been awarded on POW, we are offering this experience to students in grades 8, 9, and 10. The Google Form application has been sent out to sites so again, if you know students in this age range, please encourage them to apply. **(Goal 1, 3 & 4)**

April 20 and 21 we will be traveling to Ketchikan with a group of PHlight Club veterans -

we call them WebMasters. In addition to supporting activities at PHlight Clubs, this group of young adults participate in one day events throughout the school year where they dive a bit deeper into what it means to have a thick Web of Support. For this trip to Ketchikan, each WebMaster was given the opportunity to choose one of their Anchors to travel with them. While in Ketchikan there will be activities to deepen the relationships between the young adult and their Anchor, learn more about Webs of Support, and experience some post-secondary options. This is so exciting! **(Goal 1, 3 & 4)**

We have interviewed and offered a position to a candidate for the SUCCEED Counselor position. Unfortunately, the candidate did not accept the position. Back to the drawing board!

REWARD Update: Unfortunately, the PHlight Club event in Juneau had to be rescheduled - more info to come as we get it.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

- POW Job Fair - April 24 - 29
 - April 28 & 29 are student days
- POW PHlight Camps (second round) - May 1 and 3
- POW PHlight Club (middle school & high school focus) - May 5 and 6
- [Educator's Confluence](#) in Missoula, MT - June 14 and 15 - **We'd love to have some board members attend!**

SISD Strategic Plan Goals

Goal 1: Prepare Students for Post-Secondary Life

Goal 2: Provide Sufficient/Effective Staff Support

GOAL 3: Increase Communication District and Community Wide

Goal 4: Increase Visibility to Share Lifestyle and Increase Enrollment