

2022-2023



Annual Report

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The Mission

The program's mission is to expand the college going culture within USD 261 using the cohort model. Haysville GEAR UP follows the class of 2024 and 2025 through their first year of college. Through partnership with USD 261, Haysville GEAR UP provides students with direct services including: academic advising, mentoring, tutoring, college visits, financial aid counseling, and a summer enrichment program.

Message from the Director

The 2022-2023 academic year marked the 5th year in the Haysville GEAR UP grant cycle. The staff did an excellent job creating unique and engaging programming for students. Each staff member loves serving the students as well as working with each other. Having a positive and welcoming environment for students to feel safe learning in is one of the most rewarding aspects of our job.

This year, we saw so much growth from many of our students. Personally, I saw students connect ideas they've been learning for 5 years with us. To see the light bulb go off in their heads when something about college or career prep finally makes sense is an experience I don't grow tired of.

There are so many people that help make this program successful, its difficult to name everyone involved. I want to thank the Associate Vice President for the Office of Special Programs Deltha Q. Colvin for her steadfast leadership. Her long-time passion for students is unmatched and I'm proud to follow her direction. I would also like to thank the Wichita State University leadership under the WSU President Richard Muma, Ph.D. and Executive Vice President and Provost Shirley Lefever, Ph.D. for their support and innovative leadership.

I would also like to thank our strong partnership with the Haysville Public School District under the leadership of Superintendent Jeff Hersh. The district and its administration's support has been fundamental to reaching our program goals and objectives. We look forward to another year at Campus High School and Haysville High School with familiar and new faces! I am confident GEAR UP will continue to thrive in such a fruitful environment as we serve and provide support necessary for students to be successful.

Finally, thank you to our students for allowing us to pour into your education. Your continual participation in our workshops, college visits, seminars, and various programming show us you are hungry to learn and be successful. We have seen so much growth over the years and look forward to seeing you all achieve your dreams.



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PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Meet the Team

College Access Advisors



Laci Guthery
Class of 2024



Jacob Poletek
Class of 2024



Tegan Bonham
Class of 2025



Federica Yapp
Class of 2025

College Access Coordinator



Jose Hinojosa

Database Coordinator



Kelli Bennett

Program Director



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History

The Haysville GEAR UP program at Wichita State University was first funded on October 1st, 2018. The purpose of the program was to expand the college-going culture in the Haysville Public School District (USD261). Haysville GEAR UP aims to develop long-term, successful partnerships to support students in reaching college and providing them with the resources to succeed in college.

This grant provides college access and success services to all cohort students starting in the 6th and 7th grade and continue to provide services through their first year of postsecondary education. The classes of 2024 and 2025 are directly impacted by the program. The Haysville Public School District had an increase with student enrollment the following year the grant was approved. Haysville GEAR UP serves a little over 950 students total.



Program Overview



Haysville GEAR UP follows a cohort (whole-grade) model, meaning that services are provided to all students in the participating grade level, rather than a selected group of students.

Campus High School

907




Class of 2024 - 470 students
Class of 2025 - 437 students

Haysville High School

78

Class of 2024 - 63 students
Class of 2025 - 15 students

Program Goals

-  Increase the academic performance and preparation for post-secondary education for GEAR UP students.
-  Increase the rate of high school graduation and participation in post-secondary education of GEAR UP students.
-  Increase GEAR UP students' and their families' knowledge of post-secondary education options, preparation and financing.

Key Services

Successfully Implemented
2022-2023



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

- Workshops
- Weekend Events
- College & Career Prep
- Equity Warrior Leadership Program



USD261 SUPPORT

- Data & Reports
 - Academic, Program Services, Surveys
- Student Case Load
 - Identifying students at-risk
- Professional Development Presentations



FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

- Parent Informational Nights
- College Visits
- Newsletters
- Open House/Conferences



STUDENT SUPPORT

- Homework Assistance
- Academic Advising
- Individual Success Plans
- Mentoring
- Mental & Emotional Support



SUMMER PROGRAMMING

- 4-Week College & Career Camp
 - Students earn high school credit
- Biomedical Engineering Camp
- Credit Recovery Support
- NCCEP Youth Leadership Summit in San Francisco, CA

Fall 2022 - Spring 2023 Impact Report

HAYSVILLE GEAR UP

College/Career Prep



92%

Academic Advising



85%

Financial Aid
Literacy/Counseling



308

College Visits

Oklahoma State
University



302

Butler Community
College

K-State University

Workshops

462



Homework Assistance

English
Math

129

History
Science



Family Engagement



39%

Individual Mentoring

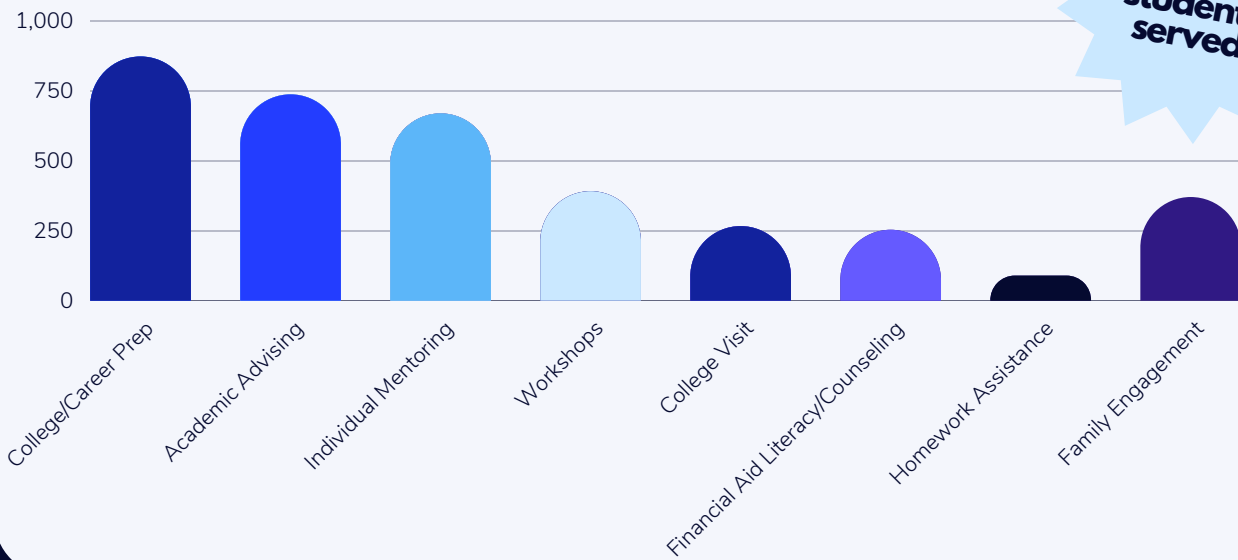
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8 in 10 students



Number of Students Served by Service Type



Summer 2023 IMPACT REPORT

100 students impacted



COLLEGE & CAREER CAMP (CCC)

Each student who completed the 4-week college & career camp earned high school credit.

45 STUDENTS

GEAR UP Activities



Career Exploration

Union Day
Career Panels
KSN News Station
Resume Building



College Prep

The Amazing Race @ WSU
First Year Expectations
Financial Aid
Schedule Building



Leadership

Mini-Conference
Guest Speakers
Workshops
Community Service



College Visits

McPherson College
Butler Community College
Oklahoma State University
Emporia State University

Success



Summer Remediation

Students
Enrolled

58



Credits
Earned

30



Course completion
Rate

91%

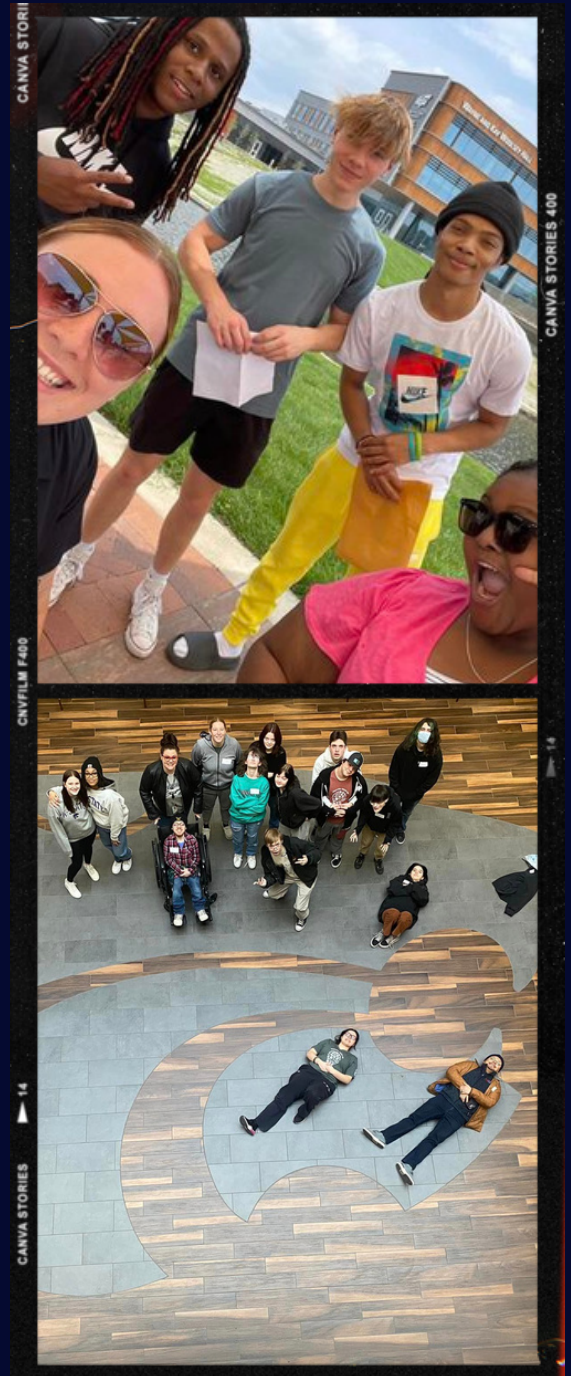


Programming Highlights

Fall 2022

Spring 2023

Summer 2023



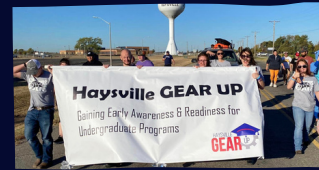
PHOTOBOOTH | NATIONAL GEAR UP WEEK



GEAR UP Week was September 25-30. Students participated in a photo booth to encourage celebrating their graduation year and future aspirations!

GEAR UP FLOAT | HAYSVILLE FALL FEST

GEAR UP Parents and Students joined together to enter a GEAR UP parade float with a large homemade pumpkin and showcased it at the Haysville Fall Festival in October!



TRIO/GEAR UP DAY @ WSU 2022

Haysville GEAR UP and the Office of Special Programs @ WSU hosted 300+ students to showcase TRIO Services and the Wichita State University campus. Students participated in campus tours, breakout sessions & a resource fair.





EQUITY WARRIORS VISIT NEBRASKA LEADERSHIP TRAINING

The Equity Warrior leadership students visited the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and had leadership training in Omaha. We made sure to visit the Omaha Zoo!

K-STATE EXPLORE! | COLLEGE RESEARCH

K-State hosted an event for students to consider college research opportunities and how to get involved in leadership at K-State. Students stayed overnight in the dorms!



UNION TRADE FAIR

The Plumbers & Pipefitters Union hosted a trade fair to showcase the various trades in the area and opportunities our students are afforded in their fields of interest.

TANGANYIKA ZOO | COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students volunteered at the Tanganyika Zoo to help the staff clean cages and clear out overgrown areas. The students worked hard and did it with a smile on their face! Giving back is important!



FIND YOUR TREASURE | FINANCIAL LITERACY

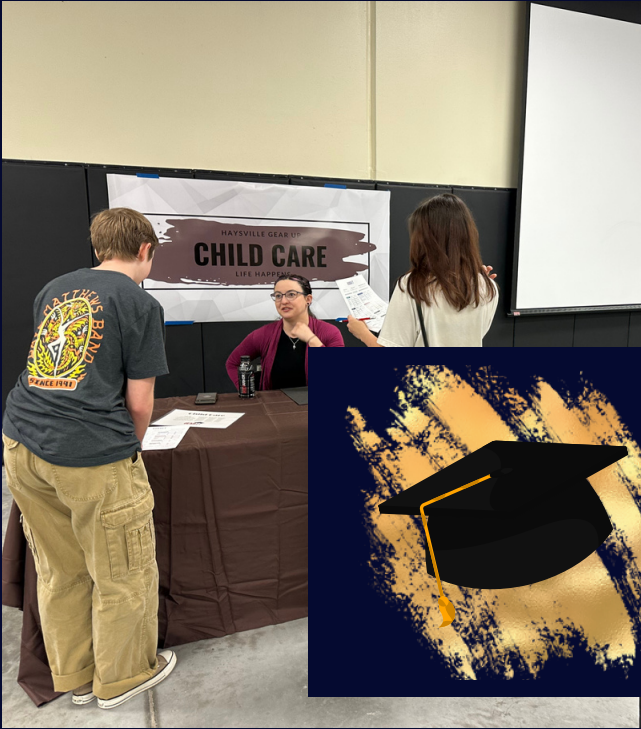
Meritrust Credit Union provided a financial literacy workshop to show the importance of money management. Students then visited the Museum of World Treasures and tried their hands at a fossil dig!



UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS | COLLEGE VISIT

GEAR UP partnered with the Focus on Careers class at Campus High to take students to the University of Kansas. College visits are a big determining factor in where a student decides to attend.






Summer 2023





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