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NiswongerCARE College and Career Advising Program Update

- **Our Advisors have served a cumulative total of 860 days in schools, while holding 4,017 individual student meetings and 394 group meetings, with 9,066 students.**
- **NiswongerCARE Advisors have been assisting seniors in completing the FAFSA since the application opened on October 1, 2022. The current data shows that 45.5% of eligible seniors have fully completed all parts of the FAFSA application including parental financial information compared to 41% of seniors across the state. The Advisors will continue to prioritize FAFSA completions, in order to ensure students meet the March 1, 2023 deadline to maintain TN Promise eligibility.**
- **The TN Promise applications that were submitted by the November 1, 2022 deadline totaled 5,538, which is 95% of all eligible seniors compared to 94% of last year's seniors.**
- **The Signal Vine text messaging platform that is being utilized for messaging students and Advisors, has sent 41,981 text messages as reminders of upcoming deadlines, missing tasks, and to provide interactive assistance.**
- **Mid-year stakeholder and student surveys have been completed to gather feedback on programming and NiswongerCARE Advisor effectiveness. The Advisors were rated by 97% of student respondents as being helpful or very helpful in assisting them in completing college going tasks. The Advisors received a 100% rating of strongly agree or agree from school counselors and administrators regarding the effectiveness of college and career services provided to their students.**
- **Planning is underway for the 2023 Summer Melt program with student intakes beginning in March.**