

NORTH LENOIR HIGH SCHOOL'S STRATEGY

Created a College Ambassadors Club for students with the goal to increase students' confidence when completing college applications, scholarships, and the FAFSA application

Peer Mentoring

Observed most students learn about college, scholarships, and FAFSA through word of mouth.

Developed a peer mentoring approach for students in grades 10 to 12.

Safe Space

Provided students a safe place to ask questions and get the help they may not be able to get from home.

Equipped students with knowledge about the college-going and FAFSA process to reduce fear and shatter misconceptions among first-generation students

Community Conversations

Student participants applied the knowledge they learned through the club and effectively communicated to their peers and community.

Club activities led to a dramatically increased number of conversations around FAFSA.



HELPFUL RESOURCES



Key Performance Indicators: FAFSA assistance and FAFSA submission were identified as key performance indicators to drive outreach efforts with to support those students most in need. These data drove the College Ambassadors Club's approach for FAFSA completion to ensure equity.



Partnered with two nearby high schools and the local community college on College Application and FAFSA drive events to increase turnout. These collaborative efforts allowed the school to make a larger impact and reach more students.



RESULTS

52.6%
FAFSA completion rate

as of August 13, 2021



North Lenoir High School *Lenoir County Public Schools*

Located in La Grange, North Lenoir High School is home to the Hawks. 59% are students of color. 90% of students are low income. The 2021 senior class has 190 students.

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