NGTC and ATD

Every Day...Every Student...A Graduate!

Welcome to this edition of your Achieving the Dream Newsletter. In this issue, we will begin to focus on the data we will be reporting and tracking as part of the initiative to increase student success. We welcome your feedback – this is your newsletter – let us know what you want!

What is Achieving the Dream?

It is a national reform movement centered on student success in higher education.

What do NGTC and ATD have in common?

The driving force behind everything we do at NGTC is putting our students to work. ATD mirrors this goal. The Achieving the Dream movement is helping nearly 4 million college students have a better chance of realizing greater economic opportunity and achieving their dreams.

Your Opinion Counts!

What does the data about the students identified as “First Time in College” reveal about our student body, their background, and their college experience?

Tell us what you think:

Please send your thoughts and comments by using the Student Suggestion form on the Intranet:

https://northgatech.edu/pages/forms/Student_Suggestion_Box.aspx

Upcoming Events

May 6
New Student Advisement

May 20
First day of Summer Semester!

ATD Vocabulary

FTIC

FTIC is First Time in College. As the name suggests, this student is enrolled in college for the first time.

NGTC FTIC DATA

![FTIC Data Chart]

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Complimentary Initiatives

The Achieving the Dream initiative supports and dovetails with the programs we have already been working on:

- **Accreditations**: COC, PAR, QEP
  - Enrollment data, retention, graduation, course completion, job placement, state or national licensing
- **Complete College Georgia**
  - Enrollment in Learning Support, success in gateway courses, credit accumulation, retention rates, course completion, degree production, graduation rates, transfer out credit, time to degree
- **Guided Pathways (GPS)**
  - Enhanced (compressed) programs, intrusive advisement, enrollment intensity, meta majors
- **Perkins/PAS**
  - Technical skills, graduation, retention, graduate placement, nontraditional participation, nontraditional completion

Engage!

To the Finish Line!

Excerpted from the game enacted at the ATD Kick-off, review this scenario and consider ways you can impact student success:

None of this student’s friends or family thought that going to college was important. They feel like this student betrayed them by enrolling. The student is not sure who to get advice from or study with, so the first semester of class is very difficult.

Get inspired!

“If you don’t go after what you want, you’ll never have it. If you don’t ask, the answer is always no. If you don’t step forward, you’re always in the same place.”

-Nora Roberts

http://achievingthedream.org/