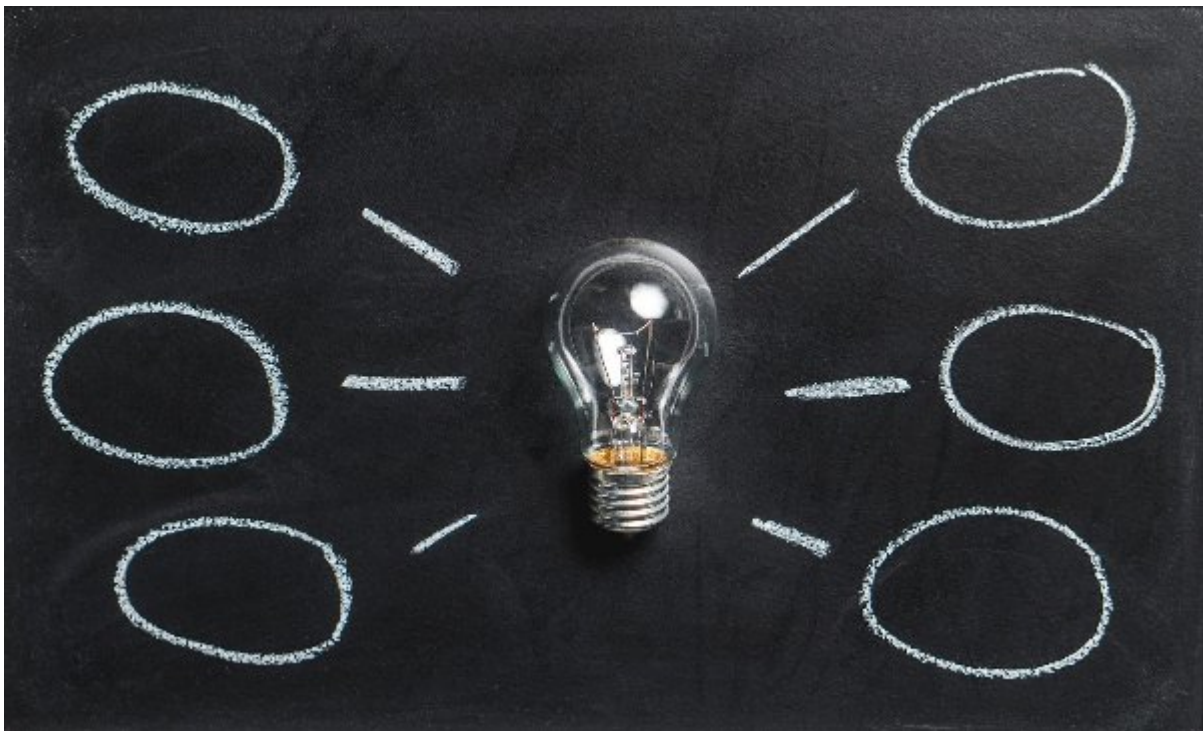


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Learnings from a Summer of Transition



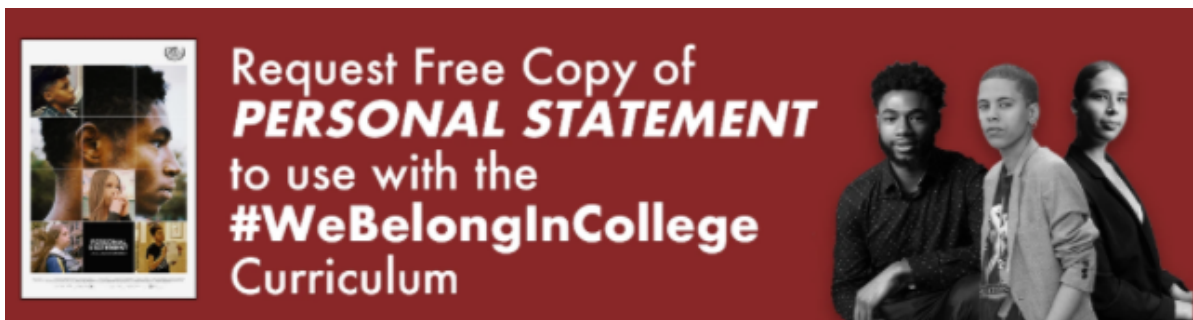
Over summer 2020, PSCCN partnered with districts and colleges across the region to work in partnership to reduce barriers for incoming college students, leverage expertise and support of K-12, CBOs, and college partners, while acknowledging the known and potential impacts of COVID-19 on students and communities of color. This is a summary of what was learned that can be applied right away.

Note:

- CBO's were not a part of the group this summer, but do play an important role in partnerships such as these.
- The strategies below include best practices we've seen across our region and nationwide, many implemented by partners outside the workgroups thus summer as well; we encourage you to celebrate the strategies you already have in place and consider implementing others that you have not yet used.
- Many of the strategies named below were possible before COVID and distance learning, but we underscore that pre and post COVID starting with attention to equity gaps should be a core focus of any partnership.

Read more [here](#).

Resources for Educators



Request Free Copy of **PERSONAL STATEMENT** to use with the **#WeBelongInCollege Curriculum**



Here is an opportunity to get your hands on a great resource to support your efforts in helping your students. Personal Statement is a documentary that follows the lives of 3 high school seniors in Brooklyn navigating the complexities of supporting themselves and their peers as they prepare for life after high school.

Did you know that it is possible to get a copy of the film and curriculum for every school in your district?

If you would like to do this, [click this link](#) to learn more or to submit a request.

Young people describe the impact of COVID-19

Check out this new report—a collaboration between Road Map Project partners at the King County's Reconnect to Opportunity, Soar, and Community Center for Education Results. It expands on a survey designed for and by youth, and showcases six main themes that illustrate the interconnectedness of health, education, and employment. The findings echo that communities of color are disproportionately impacted by two pandemics: COVID-19 and systemic racism. The struggle to meet basic needs compounded by racial injustice and an upheaval to daily life has most negatively impacted young people of color. Read more [here](#).

Job Opportunity



PSCCN is hiring! Please help us find a great addition to the PSCCN team. We are looking for a highly skilled program manager who can:

- Bring together diverse partners in K-12, community organizations, higher education, students and families to analyze and address system barriers,
- Have brave dialogue, take and inspire action around racial equity, and
- Provide capacity building, facilitation, data analysis, technical assistance and professional development to support district and college partners to reach ambitious improvement goals that close opportunity gaps and increase access and success in postsecondary education.

We are a diverse, dynamic, collaborative, equity- and student-driven team that is committed to reflection, continuous improvement, and systems change. [Apply](#) by November 22, 2020. Learn more about PSCCN: <https://www.pccn.org/about/our-team>

News from the Region



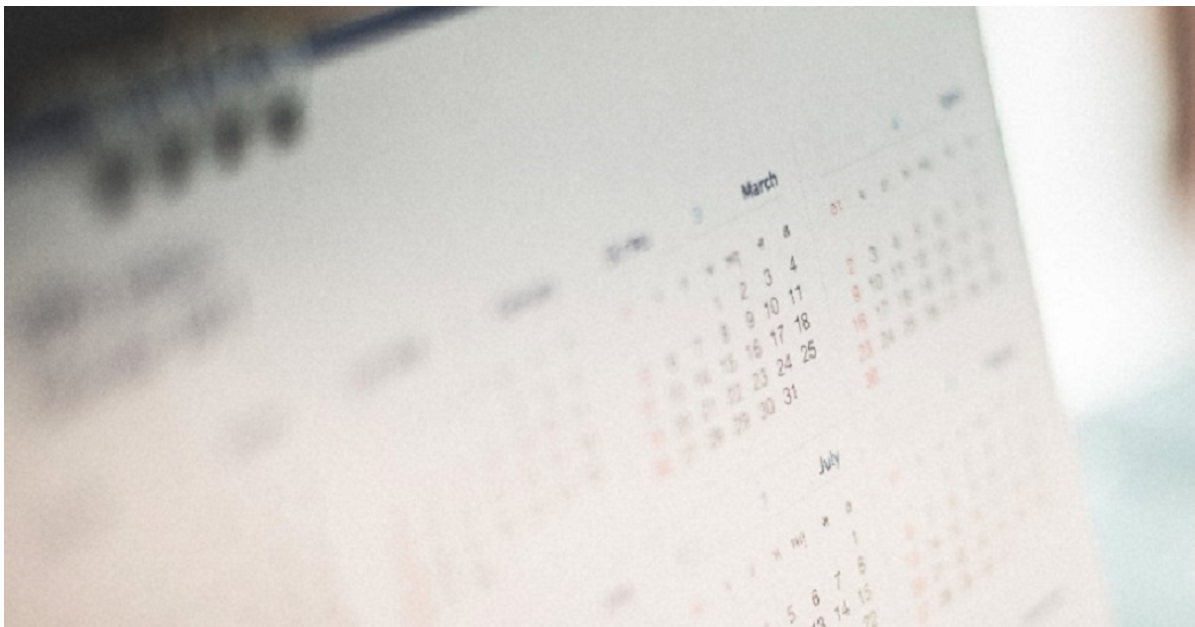
Washington's constitution protects K-12 funding. The coronavirus will test that promise. [Click on this link](#) to read the full article.

Last year, Washington lawmakers made college free for some. This year, they want to make it more accessible. [Click on this link](#) to read the full article.

Inslee's budget priorities don't include K-12 education. Can anyone change that. [Click on this link](#) to read the full article.

Enrollment at regional colleges drops, leading to cuts. [Click on this link](#) to read the full article. [Click on this link](#) to read the full article.

Upcoming Events and Trainings



OSPI-WSAC Wednesday Webinars

Supporting Seniors' Financial Aid Decisions: Student Loan Advocacy and Education.

There will be 1.5 free clock hours for this event.

Date: December 2nd 2020

Time: 1pm - 2:30pm

- 12/2/20 Supporting Seniors' Financial Aid Decisions

- 1/27/21 Supporting Students' K-12 Career & College Readiness Journey
- 3/31/21 Supporting Students' Transitions: Pre-K to Post-High School

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