

Summer Bridge to College Program

Since 2019, Stamford Cradle to Career, in partnership with Stamford Public Schools (SPS) and the RISE Network has run a summer program to help graduating SPS high school seniors enroll in college or career.

How Does it Work?

All graduating seniors are enrolled in our text messaging platform called SignalVine.



Ongoing text messages sent to all graduates about critical summer deadlines based on their post-high school plans.



First-generation graduates receive a personal call from a counselor asking if they need any help and informing them of available summer resources.



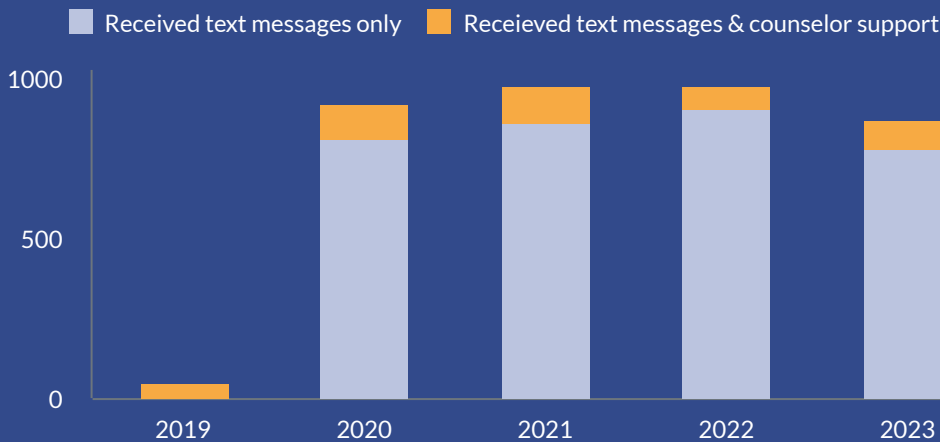
Students who want to speak directly with a counselor can do so as many times as they need throughout the summer.



Workshops for all students on important college skills like managing finances, stress, and building a personal brand.

Students Reached With College & Career Support

Since 2019 we have helped over 3,000 students



433

Graduates received **both** text and one on one counselor support

3,373

Graduates received **only** text message support

Impact on Students

Norwalk Community College (NCC) students working with counselors are **11% more likely to enroll in college** in the fall after high school

I was cautiously guided on my next steps. That made it easy for me to understand and figure out what was best for me and what I needed to do. Thank you Spiro! - **2020 WHS participant**

I liked that the counselors were there for you even when you've already graduated and help you get to your next step in education - **2021 AITE participant**

Ms. Rodriguez was helpful and attentive, answering any questions I had about the process and just the future in general, sharing links, resources and advice which were supplemental to my current situation. I'm very thankful for the program and her help! - **2022 SHS participant**

It was a great constant reminder to check the status of my application and make sure everything was completed, otherwise I would have forgotten all summer and waited to the last minute to do anything - **2020 WHS participant**

NCC Intending Student Enrollment

