# Summer Accelerated Learning & College Bridge

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# LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES: SUMMER 2021

- Why are we focusing on the summer of 2021?
  - COVID-19 impact
  - 2020 study from Stanford University showed the average loss for Hoosier students:
    - 209 days in Math
    - 130 days in reading
- Opportunity: Innovative delivery of dual credit opportunities, credential completion, college preparation, mentorship/advising



# GOAL & PARTNERSHIPS

- Goal: 2021 summer initiatives will support stronger transitions for students from high school to their postsecondary pathways
- Strengthens and meets the postsecondary-focused objectives the Indiana Department of Education outlined within its Accelerated Learning Plan
- Partners include:
  - Indiana Commission for Higher Education
  - Indiana Department of Education
  - Education Strategy Group
  - Ivy Tech Community College
  - Vincennes University



#### INITIATIVES

- Crossing the Finish Line accelerated learning opportunities via dual credit, Indiana
  College Core; focus on credential completion
- Bridging the Gap statewide summer bridge program
- Summer 2021 Learning Support Grant scaling up from 2020 COVID-19 learning support grants
- Outreach & Technical Support





#### CROSSING THE FINISH LINE

- ► Help **6,000** students use Summer 2021 to complete the "last mile" toward earning the Indiana College Core, TC, CG or other short- or longer-term credential
  - Fully fund opportunities for students who are "near completers" of a credential or the Core
  - Ivy Tech Community College and Vincennes University using their own student data to identify and contact students
  - Schools have the flexibility to maximize the impact of funds to support student success through dual credit, dual enrollment, CLEP, etc.



# BRIDGING THE GAP

- Target at least 3,500 students who need help catching up or staying on track to achieve their postsecondary aspirations, using a statewide summer bridge program
  - ▶ Build a statewide virtual summer bridge program, structured similarly to a model Texas used in 2020
  - Use Ivy Tech Community College's existing infrastructure: Knowledge Assessment and IVYT 111
  - Online platform to help students reach benchmarks in math and English/Language Arts
  - Provides financial incentives up to \$300 for students who complete
- Communications toolkit with messaging for students, parents, educators and counselors;
- Press release (going out this week)
- Joint op-ed with Commissioner Lubbers and Secretary Jenner (June)



## SUMMER 2021 LEARNING SUPPORT GRANTS

- Scaling up 2020 summer bridge efforts: 11 organizations awarded \$135,000 to support the graduating class of 2020
- Supported students with summer tutoring and pre-college bootcamps
- Grants provided to institutions
- Plan to serve at least 1,500 students, with emphasis on 21st Century Scholars and incoming first-year students



### OUTREACH & TECHNICAL SUPPORT

- Supporting the Indiana College Core rebrand
- Partners:
  - ICHE and IDOE
  - Center for Excellence in Leadership of Learning (CELL) at the University of Indianapolis
  - Postsecondary institutions
- Outreach, marketing, resource development and technical assistance
- Communications toolkit



#### TIMELINE

- Crossing the Finish Line: ongoing enrollment
- Bridging the Gap: announcement this week; Knowledge Assessment enrollment ongoing; registration for IVYT 111 June 7 and July 6
- Learning Support Grants: Opening soon
- Indiana College Core resources: In development, planned toolkit launch in Fall 2021







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