

**Websites for Parents, Counselors, Mentors and Teachers:  
College Persistence, Research and Public Policy:**

Educational Data: [www.ed-data.org](http://www.ed-data.org)

<http://www.studentclearinghouse.org>

The nation's trusted source for education verification and student's outcomes research. It's a website that educates people about the laws and rights they have for receiving a college education.

<http://collegecampaign.org>

College Campaign focuses on making public policy changes that will help California students complete college. Their strategies include: Policy Advocacy, Partnerships, and Public Awareness.

[www.nscresearchcenter.org](http://www.nscresearchcenter.org)

"The Research Center works with higher education institutions, states, districts, high schools, and educational organizations to better inform practitioners and policymakers about student educational pathways. Through accurate longitudinal data outcomes reporting, the Research Center enables better educational policy decisions leading to improved student outcomes." They are the research center for the National Student Clearinghouse.

<https://www.gallupstrengthscenter.com/Home/en-US/CliftonStrengths-For-Educators>

"Gallup's Clifton Strengths solutions help your school create engaging educational experiences for your students." Empowering and engaging students starts with surrounding them with teachers who help them discover and develop what they naturally do best.

"OUR GREATEST CONTRIBUTION IS TO BE SURE THERE IS A TEACHER IN EVERY CLASSROOM WHO CARES THAT EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY, LEARNS AND GROWS AND FEELS LIKE A REAL HUMAN BEING."

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<http://www.kipp.org>

Kipp Foundation Mission: "To create a respected, influential, and national network of public schools that are successful in helping students from educationally underserved communities develop the knowledge, skills, character, and habits needed to succeed in college and the competitive world beyond."

Students who will be the first in their family to attend college:

[www.imfirst.org](http://www.imfirst.org)

Science Based Insights for a Meaningful Life:

<https://greatergood.berkeley.edu>

Career information for students, and their parents, mentors, teachers and counselors:

<https://www.careergirls.org>

STEM Careers: Economics & Statistics Administration, US Department of Commerce:

<http://www.esa.doc.gov/Reports/stem-good-jobs-now-and-future>

Information about government loans & scholarships for college:

[www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov)

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA):

<https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

Studying for SAT/ACT:

<https://www.studyguidezone.com>

Tutoring & Free Education:

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

Organizations in San Mateo County:

Youth Leadership Institute

<http://yli.org/tag/san-mateo-youth-commission>

“Over the last ten years, The Institute’s community based programs have engaged young people in increasing healthy food access, decreasing alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use, and creating opportunities for youth civic engagement, advocacy, and philanthropy. Between the year 2000 and 20015 youth leaders in the Youth Leadership Institute programs collectively organized and successfully advocated for the passage of more than 30 ordinances to reduce social and retail access to tobacco and alcohol, increase parent accountability, restrict payday lending, and increase highway and pedestrian safety.”