

Partnering with School Communities to Prepare All Students for the Future

Too many schools struggle to adequately prepare students, especially disadvantaged students, for life after high school, whether that's in a trade school, a two-year or four-year college, or in a career. Just consider: In 2018, **only 38%** of ACT-tested grads met at least 3 of 4 core College Readiness Benchmarks. And **only 11%** of business leaders agree that college grads have skills their businesses need.

Beyond High School from Pivot Learning helps districts and schools build college and career preparation into the high school experience. Through job-embedded professional learning to help educators build capacity to create a culture of continuous improvement for adults and students, as well as to implement pathways based on the following four Linked Learning principles, Beyond High School helps design and integrate equity-focused college and career pathways into the curriculum.

1

Rigorous Academics

Create an integrated program of study that prepares students for college and career, including courses that provide college credit so that **all students graduate with one year of postsecondary credit.**

2

Career-Technical Education (CTE)

Emphasize the real-world application of academic learning through career-based curriculum so students have the technical competency to complete authentic work-related tasks.

3

Work-Based Learning

Partner with the community to create learning pathways aligned to high-wage, high-growth industries. Internships teach professional skills and build understanding of career opportunities.

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Integrated Supports

Guarantee equity for students through personalized academic, technical and social-emotional supports, including interventions for those below proficiency in reading and math.

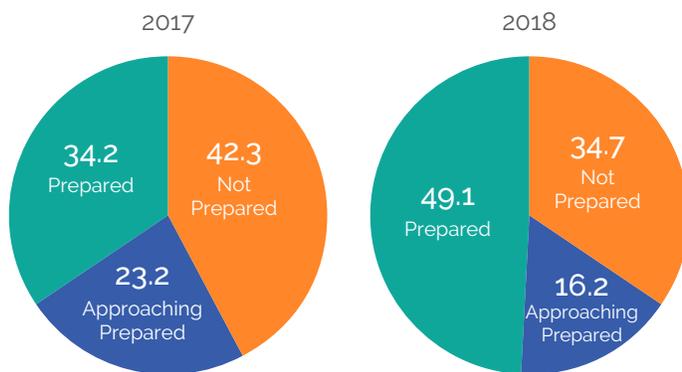
Work with Pivot Learning to connect academics to college and career and **raise graduation rates, lower dropout rates and increase college and career readiness** for all students, including disadvantaged student groups.

Case Study: Beyond High School Builds Capacity and Pathways at Oceanside High School

Pivot Learning is partnering with Oceanside High School (OHS), a large, comprehensive high school 40 miles north of San Diego, California, to ensure that every student is prepared for post-secondary success when they graduate.

The Beyond High School Design Team has established a four-year plan to support career-aligned pathways that result in college and career readiness at OHS. During the 2018-19 school year, Pivot Learning guided OHS leaders and staff through career pathway implementation. In just the first year, OHS students are already more prepared for college and career.

COLLEGE & CAREER PREPARATION



Over the next several years, OHS will continue to work with Pivot Learning to:

- Increase access to early college credit courses as part of the dual enrollment initiative.
- Develop a portfolio system for each pathway that includes integrated project-based learning with an industry component.
- Continue to build the capacity of pathway teams and pathway leads through relevant, job-embedded professional learning.
- Develop a seamless system of personalized interventions that address each student's academic and non-academic barriers to learning.



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BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL'S 2018-19 IMPACT AT OHS



PATHWAYS

OHS offers Career-Technical Education (CTE) courses that align to both post-secondary and industry expectations. OHS created four additional pathways for the 2018-19 school year: Public Service, Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Environmental Science and Engineering, and Arts, Digital Media and Design.



PROJECT-BASED LEARNING (PBL)

OHS is developing a portfolio system that includes interdisciplinary projects, presentations of learning and a senior capstone. In the first year of OHS' partnership with Beyond High School, more than 75 percent of teachers developed and implemented an interdisciplinary project targeted to CTE and/or CCC standards as part of their pathway.



LEADERSHIP

With help from Beyond High School, OHS strengthened leadership capacity to implement and support pathways through:

- Capacity building among instructional leadership to lead for equity and to develop a culture of continuous improvement for adults and students
- Data-based decision-making
- Job embedded coaching
- Opportunities to share and deepen learning at Pivot networking events and institutes