## DCC WANTS TO HELP YOU SUCCEED

The transition from high school to college can be especially challenging forfoster youth. That's why Virginia's Community Colleges spearheaded the development of the Great Expectations, a program that supports former foster children in their goal of achieving a college degree.

More than 500 children in the Virginia foster care system age out each year. Without social or family support foster care children experience significant challenges living on their own. Within just a few years of leaving the foster system, the chances of ayoung person becoming homeless or going to jail increase. DCC'S Great Expectations can help you succeed.

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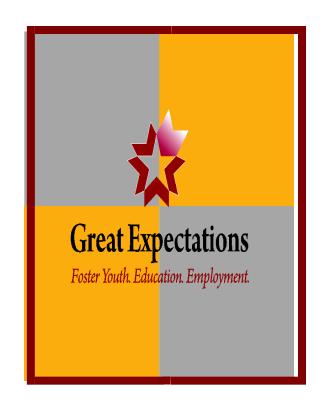


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## Your Step to Success





# What is Great Expectations?

The Great Expectations program at Danville Community College offers student support services for education and career planning for youth 17-26 who are or have been in foster care. The Great Expectations Career Coach works with students individually and in small group activities to help them will college enrollment, career exploration, academic progress, goal setting, and life skills for success.

Mentoring services are provided by their academic advisors, coach, and instructors for additional student success. These services are provided free of charge to those student who qualify and remain active in the program each semester.

#### Our Services

- Provide a point person at the college to assist students in their academic journey until they are able to become selfsufficient in navigating the community college system
- Help with applying for admission to the college
- Offer instruction and support throughout the financial aid process
- Help with career exploration and coaching
- Assist with choosing an academic program
- Make referrals to college community resources for academic as well as personal issues
- Monitor academic progress
- Offerthe experience of being part of mentoring relationship
- Provide opportunities to connect with other Great Expectations college students
- Access to life skillstraining including financial management

### Our Service Area

The City of Danville
Pittsylvania County
Halifax County

