What is Destination Graduation?

A comprehensive mentoring and academic intervention program.
- Prepares students holistically for post-secondary education and/or to successfully enter the workforce.
- It is designed for high school students exhibiting reduced academic persistence.
- It is a Workforce, Education, Employer partnership.
- Targets personal, academic and employment success.

The program is available in fifteen high schools in five Southwest FL counties and provides:
- Work-readiness training.
- One-on-one mentoring.
- Individualized academic assistance.
- Incentives to attend school regularly, improve grades, and graduate.

How does it Work?

In order to participate students must:

(a) Be income eligible
(b) Possess a potential barrier to on-time graduation e.g. homelessness, teen parenting, credits or GPA deficiencies, etc.
(c) Be on a standard 24-credit diploma track

Participants receive:

Academic coaching, college/career readiness preparation, report card and attendance incentive bonuses, summer job placement as well as a $500 graduation bonus on receipt of their HS diploma.

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"If it hadn't been for Mr. Comer [my graduation coach], I probably would have given up. He kept me motivated and did whatever he needed to do to make sure I graduated from high school."...Joshua

"Destination Graduation is like a GPS because it points you in the right direction"...Gina

"Proven educational strategies to increase high school completion provide returns to the taxpayer that are as much as three and a half times their cost." (Levin & Rouse, 2012)
APPLY TO RECEIVE A:

• $500 Graduation Bonus!
• Summer Job!

Student Name______________________________________________

Current Grade _______  FOCUS Login ____________________________

Income Eligibility Guidelines
(Based on all Family Members Living in the Home that are earning a wage)

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For families with more than 8 persons, add $2,422 to $21,549 for each additional person. Please be prepared to provide proof of family size and income.

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