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## **College Readiness Partnerships**

### **A Celebration of Student Success**

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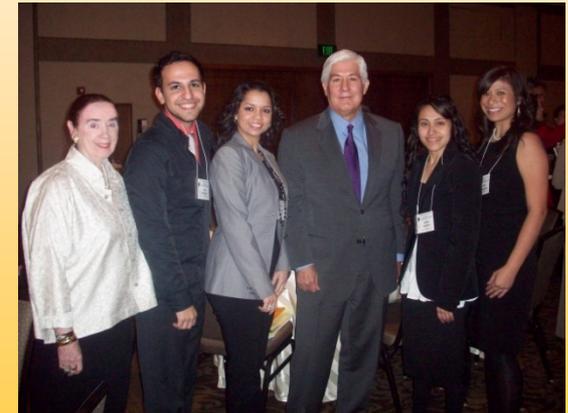
# Go center

- **The goal of the College for All Texans Campaign is to get more students into college, and the campaign’s “GO Center” project is an effort to help students make their dreams of college a reality!!!**



# TWU Model

- Institutional Support
- TWU became involved with the GO projects in spring 2003
- Initially started with the First-Generation College Student Program
- Current programs include:
  - GO Centers
  - Mobile GO Center
  - College Readiness & Access Workshops
- Work-Study Mentorship Program
- Recognized as an Exemplary Model by the THECB





# Highlights

- **Over 7500 student mentored through GO activities**
- **Provided services to over 1100 student/parents through MGC activities**
- **G-Force assisted over 2500 students through College Enrollment Workshops**
- **G-Force Members maintain a 3.0 group GPA, Retention Rate over 90%**
- **G-Force members serve in other leadership roles such as:**
  - **Presidents and student leaders of other organizations**
  - **Leadership Institutes**
  - **Represent G-Force & TWU at conferences**
  - **Study Abroad**
  - **National Scholars (HACU, HSF, Gates Millennium Scholar)**



# MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING

## **GO Center Interlocal Agreement**

This Interlocal Agreement is between Texas Woman's University and Bowie High School at Arlington Independent School District. The GO Center/G-Force project is designed to bring college access and financial aid information to K-12 students and parents in the region with the aim of establishing and maintaining permanent GO Centers within the school district. This initiative is in line with the Goals of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's (THECB) *College for All Texans (CFAT)* campaign, which has as its aim the enrollment of 630,000 more students by 2015 in higher education in the State of Texas.

## **Components of an MOU**

- **Mutual Understanding**
- **University/College commitments - i.e. Texas Woman's University will...**
- **School Commitments – i.e. Little Elm HS will...**
- **GO Center Sponsor Commitments**
- **Period of Agreement**
- **Confidentiality Agreement**
- **Termination Agreement**
- **Signature Section**



# TWU – HS Partnerships

- Career Exploration
- Scholarships
- College Enrollment Workshops
- GO Center – Spring 2004
- TWU Mobile Go Center





# HIGH SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Sign an **MOU or Interlocal Agreement** with TWU
- Designate a high school staff as the **GO Center sponsor**
- **Provide the scheduling of students** for one-on-one mentoring at the GO Center
- **Encourage** students, parents, and the school community to use the GO Center
- Assist in the planning or coordinating of activities related to creating a **college-going culture** (college readiness workshop or MGC events)





# WHAT IS A GO CENTER?

A **GO Center** is a designated place at the high school where **G-Force** Members provide answers to all kinds of questions about colleges/universities and careers.

**A GO Center can be located at the:**

- **Library**
- **Class Room**
- **Computer Lab**
- **Counselors Office**
- **Career Resource Center**
- **Parent Center**



It is a space that is easily accessible to students & parents.



# **G-FORCE**

**A network of students, concerned citizens, and/or organizations committed to creating a college-going culture in their school and/or community.**



**G-Force members raise awareness among students and their families on the value of a higher education, show them how to prepare for college both academically and financially, and motivate students to successfully pursue higher education.**

**NOTE: G-Force members are NOT counselors, simply facilitators of the process who provide very general information, motivate students to act on that information, help them get started in the process and then refer them to the appropriate resource person for more difficult issues. When peer mentors are able to answer many of the more general questions, the counselor can focus on more difficult issues.**



# TWU Collegiate G-Force

- **45 Active Members**
- **Meet at TWU and travel in university vans to GO Center, MGC or GO Project events**
- **Official Organization on Campus (established Spring 2004) application, constitution, commitment form**
- **Five time recipient of University Sanctioned Organization of the Year Award**





# GO CENTER SCHEDULING

## How does it work?





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OFFICE REQUEST**

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Reason:

Dismissed from office \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

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Located in the  
Library

Please send the following  
student to the library for  
assistance from TWU  
GForce members with  
college preparation:

Principal: *M. Romney*  
Counselor:

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**THANKS**

**MOLINA JAGUARS SIGN-IN SHEET**

**COUNSELORS**

A-Cl... Jones      Gard-Le...M.Odell      O-R...E. Williams  
G-Garcia.. J. Knabel      Li-N... L. Jones      S-Z... E. Scott

Date 2-16-07

sign-in. Students, you may be asked to return to class. Your counselor will send  
as soon as time permits. Sign in only ONCE a day to be seen by your counselor.

Parents, please be seated and **thank you** for your patience.

Time	Grade	I.D. #	Student	Parent
9:00	12		Bradley Nanthony	
9:00	12		Carlos Garcia	
9:00	12		Daniel Martinez	
9:00	12		Tiffany McCray	
9:22	11		Maria Chavez	
9:30	12		Eliza Elizaldi	
9:51	12		LaCoya Jones	
10:20	10		Ruben Moreno	
11:00	12		Andres Marin	
11:07	12		Sarah Torres	



# TWU MOBILE GO CENTER

- Mobile GO Center is one of the states initiative to help promote access to students and to the community.
- Provides on-site college-going resources to individuals and their families at various high school, middle school and/or community events
- Information Packet and Reservation Request Form is provided to each GO Center Partner and available on our website: [www.twu.edu](http://www.twu.edu)

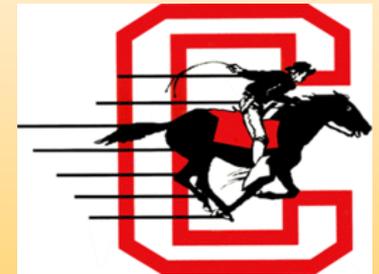




# HS/TWU GO CENTER TRACKING



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**La Educación. Saber es Poder.**





# ADAMSON HS GRADUATES ENROLLED IN TEXAS PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION 2009

DCCCD El Centro College	30
University of Texas at Arlington	14
University of North Texas	7
DCCCD Mountain View College	26
Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi	5
Texas Woman's University	14
Other Pub/4 yr. Inst. (6)	10

Other Pub/2 yr. Inst (84)	9
Not Trackable	33
Not Found	127
Total High School Graduates	277



# ADAMSON HS GRADUATES ENROLLED IN TEXAS PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION 2010

DCCCD Mountain View College	37
University of North Texas	5
DCCCD El Centro College	33
Texas Woman's University	15
University Of Texas at Arlington	13
DCCCD Cedar Valley College	9
Other Pub/4 yr. Inst. (8)	15

Other Pub/2 yr. Inst (6)	9
Not Trackable	62
Not Found	79
Total High School Graduates	283



# ADAMSON HS GRADUATES ENROLLED IN TEXAS PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION 2011

DCCCD Mountain View College	45
DCCCD El Centro College	28
Texas Woman's University	14
University Of Texas at Arlington	5
Other Pub/4 yr. Inst. (11)	19

Other Pub/2 yr. Inst (8)	12
Not Trackable	55
Not Found	102
Total High School Graduates	280

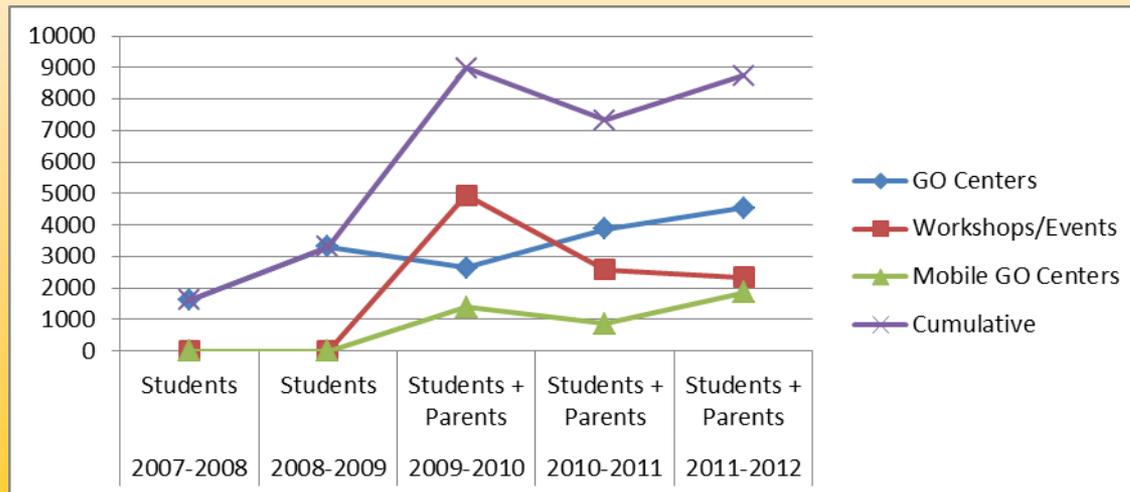
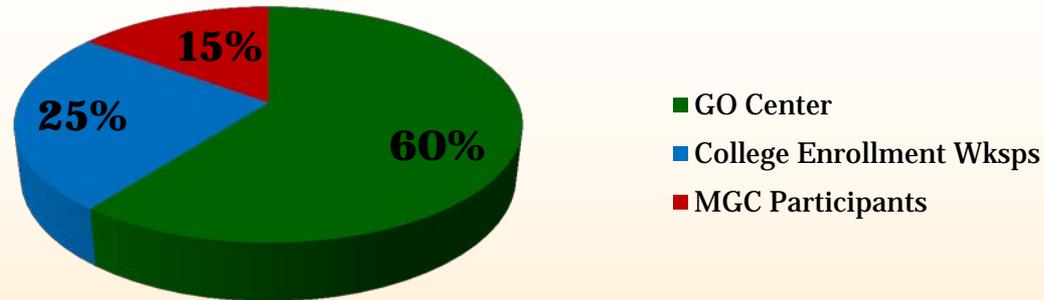
## TWU GO Center Monthly Report Summary

Monthly Report- February 2012

Schools	GO Center Traffic			Grade Level				Categories of Visits								
	Number of Students (Individual)	Number of Students (Total Visits)	Percent of Seniors	Freshmen	Sophomores	Juniors	Seniors	College Applications Started/Research	College Application Completed	Scholarships	FAFSA/TASFA Attempted	FAFSA/TASFA Completed	Career Exploration	SAT/ACT Registration Completed	Received G-Force Help	Attended Presentation
Adamson HS	48	48	68.75%	0	0	15	33	14	10	1	5	1	0	18	48	0
Bowie HS	150	168	90.48%	0	0	16	152	48	48	40	15	5	1	40	168	0
Carter-Riverside HS	23	30	73.33%	0	0	1	22	10	2	13	7	1	0	3	23	0
Coppell HS	27	30	86.67%	0	0	4	26	12	3	17	15	2	1	2	27	0
DeSoto HS	34	36	69.44%	0	2	9	25	3	3	5	6	3	8	4	36	0
Frisco CTE	119	119	37.82%	16	10	48	45	57	3	40	14	9	3	0	119	0
Guyer HS	30	30	100.00%	0	0	0	30	3	7	4	11	6	1	0	30	0
Heritage HS	30	30	33.33%	4	6	9	10	2	0	6	1	0	3	0	30	0
Lake Dallas HS	29	35	97.14%	0	0	1	34	16	3	11	12	1	1	2	29	0
Little Elm HS	14	19	47.37%	0	0	5	9	5	3	5	3	0	0	1	14	0
OneStar HS	37	41	24.39%	0	0	31	10	10	4	17	9	3	8	1	37	0
Moises Molina HS	87	87	75.86%	0	0	21	66	17	11	29	29	7	4	25	87	0
Nimitz HS	46	46	45.65%	0	0	25	21	8	2	13	5	0	12	17	46	0
North Dallas HS	37	45	82.22%	0	0	8	37	4	3	17	9	1	1	13	37	0
Sunset HS	32	40	75.00%	0	0	2	30	5	2	16	7	2	1	3	32	0
Valley View HS	39	39	28.21%	0	0	28	11	7	1	7	2	0	0	10	39	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>66.55%</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>0</b>



## 7516 Students were Served Through TWU GO Programs in 2011 - 2012





# BEST PRACTICES

- Administrative Commitment
- GO Center & G-Force
- MOU/Interlocal Agreements
- Partnership Training/ Student Training
- Superintendent/School Board Commitment
- Sponsor Commitment



# CHALLENGES

- Student Scheduling
- GO Center Perceptions
- Promotion/Marketing
- Funding
- Limited Resources
- Limited GO Center Space at some locations

# TWU GO CENTER PARTNERSHIPS

- **Molina High School (Dallas ISD) – HB 400**
- **Coppell High School (Coppell ISD)**
- **Little Elm High School (Little Elm ISD) Former HB400**
- **Amon-Carter-Riverside High School (FWISD) – HB 400**
- **Valley View High School (Valley View ISD)**
  
- **Bowie High School (Arlington ISD)**
- **Nimitz High School (Irving ISD)**
- **DeSoto High School (DeSoto ISD)**
- **Guyer High School (Denton ISD)**
- **Lake Dallas High School**
  
- **WH. Adamson High School (Dallas ISD) – HB 400**
- **Sunset High School (Dallas ISD) – HB 400**
- **North Dallas High School (Dallas ISD) – HB 400**
  
- **Frisco CTE Center (Frisco ISD)**
- **Heritage High School (Frisco ISD)**
- **Lone Star High School (Frisco ISD)**





# MORE INFORMATION

Please visit us on the web at

<http://www.twu.edu/intercultural-services>

To learn more about our G-Force Program and GO Centers.

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