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Partners: University of Massachusetts Boston, Jeremiah E. Burke High School, Boston Green Academy, Dorchester Academy, Excel High School and Tech Boston Academy

Vision
Every student, whether low-income, first-generation, with a disability, or at high risk for academic failure, will develop the skills, knowledge, and motivation to successfully enroll in and complete postsecondary education.

Mission
We guarantee admission to UMass Boston for students enrolled at our partner high schools. After completing courses in required subject areas and meeting specific program criteria, we assure students’ admission to the College of Liberal Arts or College of Science and Mathematics.

Goals and Objectives
- Help students and parents develop clear educational objectives and the steps necessary to achieve them
- Provide incentives for students to achieve at a high level
- Increase student awareness of opportunities for post-secondary education
- Prepare students for higher education
- Support partnering schools’ efforts to help students apply for admission to UMass Boston and seek financial aid
- Increase the number of partner school graduates who enroll at institutions of higher education
- Strengthen the association between the university and its partner schools

Approaches and Methods
- Tutoring (in school and after school)
- College and career awareness workshops and counseling
- SAT prep
- Field trips to college fairs and campus visits
- Help completing college applications and financial aid forms
- Scholarship research
- Collaboration with other UMass Boston precollegiate programs and various university departments.

Impact
- Over 3,000 students served at partner schools since 1989
- Many graduates helped to realize their dreams of pursuing postsecondary education
- Work with over 500 students yearly
- Over 90% of AGP seniors enroll at post-secondary institutions in and out of state, including UMass Boston

In School Year 2012-2013:
- 140 seniors completed the program
- Over 200 ninth-grade students visited UMass Boston for college awareness workshops and campus tours

Contact
AGP is funded by UMass Boston.

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