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SPECIAL EVENTS

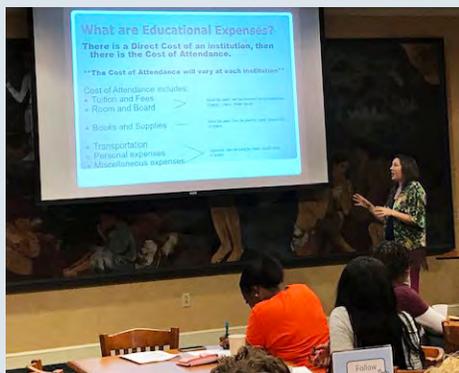
Back to School event

In September, mentees and mentors had the opportunity to reconnect over food, music and a Wofford football game. Both groups were able to share their summer experiences, which included studying abroad, participating in internships, volunteering and working summer jobs.



FAFSA Night

The first ever iCAN FAFSA Night was held in October to provide valuable information to mentees and their families as they prepare to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA is the first step to securing optimal financial aid, including grants, scholarships and loans. April Baur, associate director of financial aid, conducted the workshop.



iCAN Parent Informational

November's parent informational session offered an opportunity for parents to connect with each other and with Citizen Scholar mentors to discuss college access for their children.

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RECAP OF SEMINAR SATURDAYS

September 2018

Completing college applications can be confusing. During this session, students learned from Brand Stille, vice president for enrollment, about applying to college.



October 2018

Being civically engaged not only benefits the community but also the individuals performing the service. The Citizen Scholars Institute partnered with the Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce for a community trash pick-up event. This was a great way to bond through service.



November 2018

Figuring out how to pay for college is a huge factor for many students, and it's something that certainly effects college choice. Once enrolled, however, managing personal finances can be another challenge. Lillian Gonzalez, associate professor of accounting, provided advice on making smart financial decisions to our iCAN future college students.



iCAN SPOTLIGHT



Sarah (Wofford College sophomore)

What is your current major?
Double major in business economics and Spanish

College involvement.
Chief operating officer of Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity

What have you enjoyed the most about being Tiffany's mentor?
We could not be more alike. I have enjoyed seeing Tiffany grow and develop as she makes decisions about college while thriving in high school. I know Tiffany will do great things as a college student.

What have you gained by being a mentor?
I have gained a greater appreciation for those who walked beside me in making college decisions. Tiffany's openness and willingness to put time into our relationship has made all the difference. Tiffany has impacted my life, and I am excited as she takes her next steps.

Tiffany (Spartanburg District One high school senior)

What college academic majors are you currently exploring?
I am undecided currently, but I'm interested in nursing, teaching or psychology.

High school involvement.
Beta Club, National Honor Society, Chorus, Softball and Citizen Scholar

What colleges have you been accepted into?
Coastal Carolina, Spartanburg Methodist, Spartanburg Community College, USC Upstate, Limestone, North Greenville, USC, Lander, East Tennessee State, Newberry and Wingate.

What is the biggest benefit of having Sarah as a mentor?
Being able to have a personal connection with her is great as she has provided me with advice I didn't even know I needed. Citizen Scholars and iCAN have both been beneficial in helping to prepare me for college and pairing me with a great mentor.