

# STUDENT ADVOCATES CONFERENCE

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# Student Advocates Conference

- **PURPOSE:** To **amplify the learnings** from existing Commission and Strada Education Network sponsored initiatives; **showcase promising practices** around students success; and promote a **collaborative network** of student retention and success advocates across the state.
- **AUDIENCE:** The Student Advocates Conference engages Indiana college students, faculty, staff and administrators with an opportunity to **network, connect** and **share best practices** around student success and on-time completion.



# 2016 Student Advocates Conference

- Nearly **350** conference attendees represented **68** unique Indiana institutions and community-based organizations
  - Delivered **30** breakout sessions that engaged **71** presenters from over **20** different institutions and partner organizations
  - **15** campus and community-based programs were represented during the Best Practices Showcase
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# Day One



# Day Two



# 2016 Student Advocates Conference

- **92%** of participants indicated the sessions were well-planned and presented
- **88%** of participants indicated sessions were relevant to them and their institution
- **93%** of participants said the conference was worth their time and resources
- **94%** would return again next year

# Testimonials

- *“I highly value this conference. The presentations were practical and I went away with new practices and policies that are relevant to my work.”*
- *“Relevance and “freshness” or “newness” of the material met and exceeded my expectations.”*
- *“I was very pleased with the conference overall. The workshops were great. The hospitality of CHE staff was excellent. The food and snacks were awesome!”*
- *“I was pleasantly surprised of all the connections I made at this conference.”*

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- **PURPOSE:** The *Stan Jones Student Success Grants* are designed to advance and expand promising student success practices at colleges and universities across Indiana.
- **AUDIENCE:** Indiana college and university partners focusing on student retention and success.

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- Three \$5,000 grants will be distributed to campuses with proven practices that support student success on their campus.
- Priority will be given to strategies that:
  - Engage multiple partnerships,
  - Easily replicated and scalable, and
  - Demonstrate proven results.



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- Funds may be used to create and implement new programs or expand already established programs.
  - Selected campuses will present their student success models at the 2017 Student Advocates Conference and prepare a final report on or before May 31, 2018.
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## *Grant Timeline*

- October 1, 2017 Grant application window opens
- October 31, 2017 Grant application deadline at 5 pm EST
- November 15, 2017 Notification of Funding
- December 2017 Student Advocates Conference
- May 31, 2018 Grant Reporting Deadline

# Thank you!

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