

Welcome Back!

& Happy New Year!

We are so excited to be back and kick off 2024 with our students and partners! It has been a delight welcoming our students back after a much needed winter break. Your GEAR UP Team is ready to go and excited for what we've planned for this new semester! Our students are also ready to work hard and make this semester even better than the last!



New Years Resolutions?

January Highlights:

- Lunchtime Activities
- January Family Workshop
- Tutoring

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JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

UNIVERSITY & YOU FAMILY WORKSHOP

Our first family workshop of the year titled "University and You," presented by our Family Engagement Specialist, Jocelyn Mendoza, covered how families can support their student starting now so they can become a competitive applicant when college applications come around. Ms. Mendoza provided information about admissions as well as four year universities and costs.





LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

We received our students on their first day back with one of their favorite activities calming jars! GEAR UP's weekly tabling continues this quarter. Catch us every Thursday outside of Harvest Hall! These activities range from college/career related trivia to holiday related activities. Our GEAR UP Ambassadors help plan and facilitate all of these activities. Pictured are students who participated and won some college gear!



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<u>TUTORING</u>

Tutoring is back up and running and we are so excited to see students attending so early in the quarter! We hope more students continue to attend. Encourage your students to join us and get the support they need to pass their classes! We provide healthy snacks and opportunities to receive prizes for attending!



GEAR UP Tutoring: Lunchtime: Monday - Friday 12:00pm - 12:35pm After School: Monday - Thursday, 3:30pm - 4:30pm!



FEBRUARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/1/24 College Trivia Tabling!
- 2/8/24 Get to Know Your Counselor Tabling!
- 2/15/24 Crystal Making Tabling!
- 2/19/24 President's Day (No School!)
- 2/21/2024 GEAR UP Website Official Launch!
- 2/22/24 College Trivia Tabling!
- 2/29/24 STRATA Credit Union Presents: Financial Decisions for Young Adults



Juan is our featured Ambassador of the month! Juan is our Assistant Cohort Leader Ambassador. Juan has attended every ambassador meeting this school year. In addition, he always volunteers to help during activities and GEAR UP events. Furthermore, Juan consistently attends lunch and after school tutoring. Finally, Juan does all of this while maintaining a 4.0 GPA. Go Juan! We are so proud of you and honored to have you on the team!

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