

"What is Campus ToolKit and why am I doing it???"

Virtually every school in the country tells their students "We Care." However, we are taking the next step. We are actually doing something to demonstrate that we care about your well-being by offering Campus ToolKit. Here are some of the reasons this system may be beneficial to you:

Campus ToolKit helps to avoid issues developing in to full-blown

crises - College is a time of great change and change seldom comes without some measure of problems. Campus ToolKit was developed so that as issues arise you can turn to the system and the coaches can help you resolve problems before they balloon out of control. And problems don't have to be big ones to bring them up. The more issues you are able to resolve in a timely manner, the more pleasurable and rewarding your college experience will be. However, sometimes problems do get out of control. These are the times when school seems to be unmanageable and you may think of dropping out. Most often, we can help you in these situations if we know about them. We want to see you succeed as much as you do and we are always willing to help. Please use Campus ToolKit to let us know what's going on in your life so we can be there for you.

Helps form a bond between you and the school - Campus ToolKit is a way for us to get to know you and vice-versa. With so many students and such busy schedules it's difficult to get to know everyone quickly. If your personality is shy or quiet, you can sometimes be overlooked. The Campus ToolKit system gives you a voice, gives you a personal contact point and allows the school to make sure that Coaches can be there when you want help.

Non-judgmental help - Campus ToolKit coaches are trained to be non-judgmental. The role of the coach is to help you identify resources and make decisions that are good for YOU. Your coach may challenge you and stretch you at times, but ultimately you are the one responsible for your decisions and if you've gone through the process with the coach, chances are you'll find good solutions to your problems.

A chance to focus on what is going well for you - Campus ToolKit isn't just for problems. Life seems to go so fast and there are so many things to do that sometimes we forget to look at what is going well in our lives. Campus ToolKit gives you the opportunity to do that. If you get nothing out of the system except a moment to reflect on the good things in your life then your time is well spent. (BY THE WAY, YOUR COACH LIKES TO KNOW THE GOOD THINGS, TOO!)

A place to have your questions answered - This is a one-stop area to have your questions answered, or at least explored. Where is the financial aid office? Where can I look for a part-time job? How can I deal with my roommate issues? If you've got a question, write it in Campus ToolKit and see what happens.

Help the school improve - Sharing your college experience with your Campus ToolKit coach can be good for you. It is definitely good for us! Every time you share things that are going well, or not so well, it is an opportunity for us to plan for the future. We can only fix things if we know they are broken and we tend to only continue to do things we know are valued. So let us know what's happening in school for you. In doing so, you can help create the future.

Records your college experience - Your comments are stored in the system. Many students enjoy looking back over the time they've spent writing comments and seeing how they are evolving and growing through the college process.

A place to find resources in the community - The resource list was developed for you to find the support you need. Resources are categorized as National, Local, Institutional (school) & online. Take a few moments to see what is listed. If you have a need and can't find a resource, let us know. If you know a resource that isn't listed, please suggest it. We want to make this list as complete as possible for you.

A safe place to unload your frustrations - Sometimes you just need a place to scream and vent your frustrations. Dump it in Campus ToolKit and then you don't have to take it out on your roommate!

Essentially, we truly care about our students and Campus ToolKit is a great way for us to stay in touch with all of you! Thank you very much for participating.