

## **BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL**

These four alumni of local schools share their best advice for students who are exploring their college and career options! Follow DiscoverU on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for more stories from our communities.

"Have an open mind about what careers to pursue and reach out to individuals within those careers to learn about what they do."

YOUCEF FEDERAL WAY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2014





"Be okay with not knowing everything about anything, including what you want to do with your life. No one's path is straight and it may take a few turns before you finally feel like you're on the right journey. Enjoy the wrong turns, because that will ultimately make who you aspire to become."

MARIE FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2010

"Take the choice of career path seriously, don't feel pressured to choose quickly or just take the easy path. It may feel like you're wasting time or falling behind, but taking the time to figure out what you really want to do with your career will pay off big time down the road."

MICHAEL KENTRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2010





"Have back up options and always take the opportunity to learn something new."

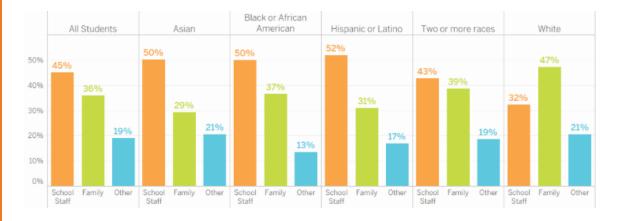
> JASMINE EVERGREEN HIGH SCHOOL

## **COLLEGE & CAREER DATA DIVE**

Source: College and Career Leadership Institute Student Aspirations & Expectations Survey 2017-18, ILLUMINATE Evaluation Services and CCER

When more than 2,500 students from South Seattle and South King County were asked about their aspirations, 95 percent of them said they wanted to go to college. Our students have big dreams for their futures.

Yet, public schools in our region are not supporting students equitably. The same survey shows that when it comes to getting information about college, students of color, who are more likely to be first-generation students, rely more on school staff than their families. DiscoverU is a great opportunity for schools to provide college and career information and resources during the school day to ensure equitable supports for students of color.



## THEME DAY SPOTLIGHT: LEAD YOUR COMMUNITY

Friday, Oct. 12, is <u>#LeadYourCommunity Day!</u> Schools will be out, but nonprofits and public sector organizations across the region will be introducing students to community-oriented work and connecting them to leadership opportunities in their neighborhoods and outside of the classroom.

On that evening, the Road Map Project Community Leadership Team will be hosting a <u>DiscoverU 2018</u>
<u>Celebration</u> at Tukwila Community
Center and all families are invited!

Please RSVP for a fun night of youth performances, a delicious multicultural dinner, college and career resources, and more! Free and open to everyone.



DiscoverU encourages our community to come together and promote college and career exploration for the region's youth. Teachers, school staff, and community partners lead fun and engaging college and career exploration activities, in school and the community, that help students think about their futures! DiscoverU puts student interests at the center and helps connect their aspirations with the many pathways to get there.

Do you have a college & career resource or event you want to share? Email Julie at jfeng@ccedresults.org!

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