



## Gateway to College

**Strategic Focus:** This initiative was created to recover high school dropouts, ages 16-20 and get them through two years of college. Gateway to College created a window of access for dropouts to find their way back to educational attainment.

### Strategies:

- This project offered students the option of completing high school while concurrently receiving credit towards an associate degree in either academic transfer or technical education options. The Gateway Academy provided an alternative to the stigma of a GED and the hopelessness that many dropouts inevitably feel.
- Gateway to College served those who never dreamed a college education was possible. This initiative partnered with Georgia Perimeter College - Clarkston campus, Portland Community College, DeKalb County Schools, and Georgia Department of Education