



# First Star ASU Academy

First Star ASU Academy is a **long-term college preparatory program** for high school foster youth to **enhance college readiness** in academics, life skills and personal development, while facilitating students' self-discovery through **monthly workshops and summer immersion programming** at Arizona State University.

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First Star ASU partners with Department of Child Safety, attorneys and legal representatives, community agencies and foundations, schools and social workers to create a comprehensive experience using a three-pronged approach.

### Academics

First Star ASU keeps all participating youth on track for high school graduation and a successful transition to higher education through ACT and SAT prep, core academic instruction and personalized academic success plans.

### Life Skills

First Star ASU ensures participants learn how to balance physical and psychosocial health while developing skills in career preparation, leadership and self-advocacy.

### Caregiver Engagement

First Star ASU ensures caregivers understand foster youth's needs and equips them with resources necessary to support the youth's academic achievements.

## Program Requirements

- High school students in foster care with open dependency case with Arizona's Department of Child Safety or Tribal agency.
- Maintain a 2.0 GPA or better on a 4.0 scale and a good attendance record
- Participation in monthly workshops and on campus summer immersion program

## Program Manager

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