



Utah College Advising Corp

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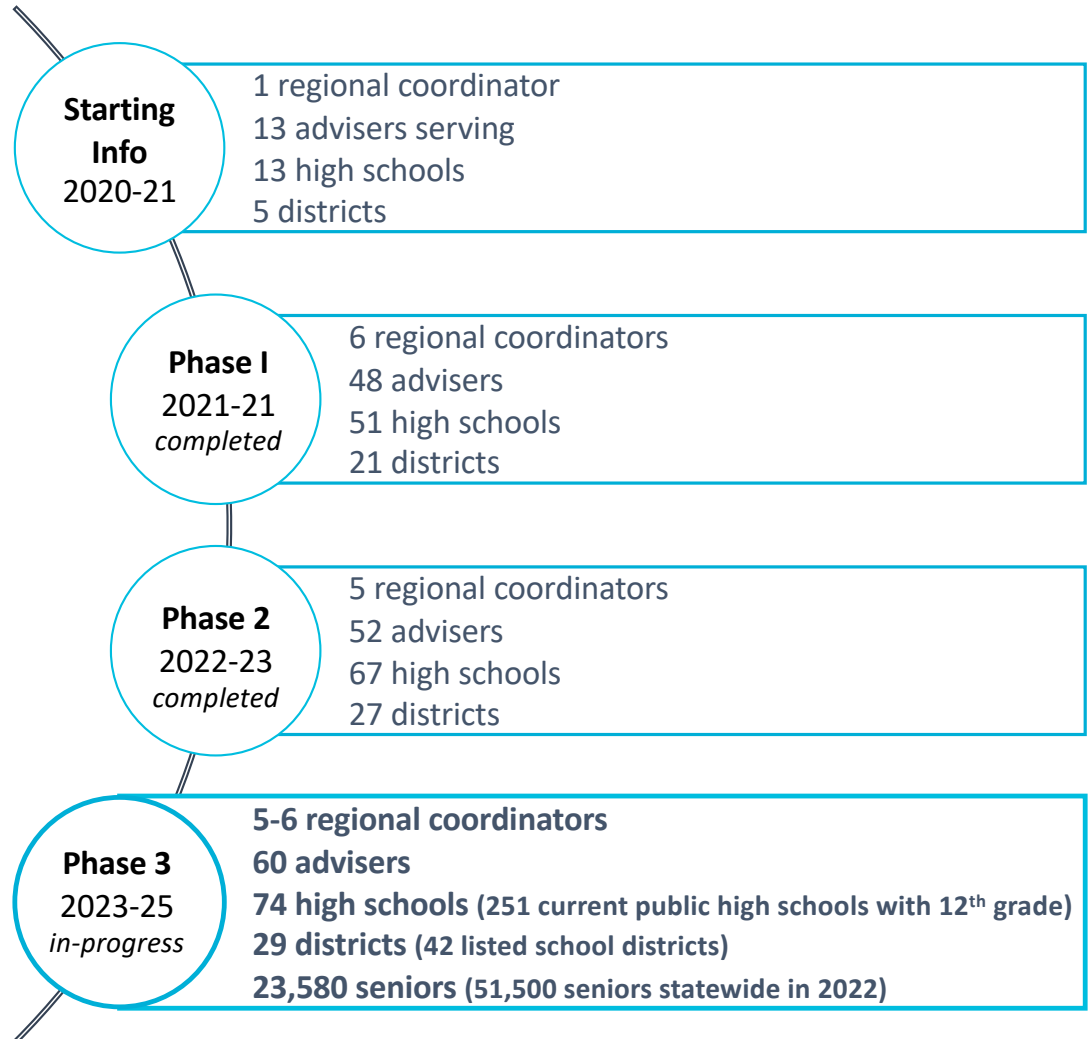
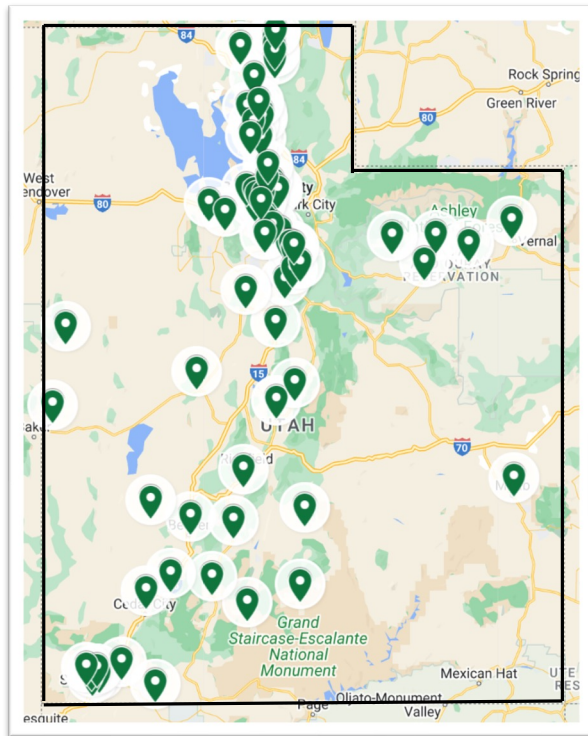
UCAC Basics

- Nationwide movement to expand college access
- Provides personal guidance to high schools through near-peer model
- Offers support specific to:
 - College Exploration
 - Application Completion
 - Financial Aid
 - Family Engagement
- Pilot partnership with U of U and USHE
- Costs \$3.7M annually and funded until June 2025



Utah's Approach

A pilot initiative



Efficacy on College Attendance

Increasing probability of students attending college

Adviser Actions

Holding a
parent/family
meeting



+12 %

Meeting 1:1
with student



+13 %

FAFSA
Assistance



+11 %

Student Actions

Applying to
1+ College



+23 %

Submitting the
FAFSA



+23 %

Success in Utah

| Key Performance Indicators | Phase I (2021-22) | | Phase II (2022-23) | |
|--|------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| | UCAC school seniors: ~20,505 | | UCAC school seniors: ~23,580 | |
| 1:1 Meetings with HS Seniors: | 73% | 14,969 | 81% | 19,100 |
| Seniors that filed at least one college application with support from an adviser: | 70% | 14,353 | 75% | 17,685 |
| Senior that filed three or more college applications with support from an adviser: | 22% | 4,511 | 29% | 6,838 |
| Meaningful engagement with family of students: | 25% | 5,127 | 29% | 6,838 |
| Assistance in filling out financial aid (Scholarships and FAFSA): | 22%* | 4,511* | 32% | 7,546 |
| UCAC Schools FAFSA completion average: | 39% | | 41% | |

*Data collection was inconsistent for the FAFSA assistance KPI, resulting in an inaccurate count. This has been addressed for the 2022-23 school year.



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