

Despite statewide pandemic-related impacts on college access and success, tnAchieves students continued to outpace their peers in first-year retention and graduation. The declines in Tennessee’s college-going rate and community college enrollment present unique challenges and opportunities in 2023. **tnAchieves stands ready to tackle these challenges through student-focused strategies and innovation.**

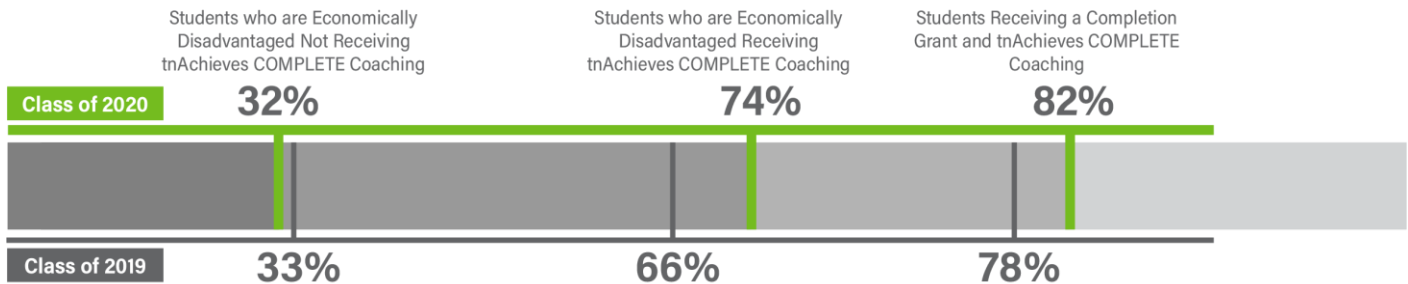
Student Success	tnAchieves	Non-tnAchieves	Community College First-Time, Full-Time Students
First-Year Retention Class of 2020	64%	Data not available	52%*
3-Year Graduation Rate Class of 2018	37%	16%	26%*
6-Year Graduation Rate Class of 2015	48%	34%	34%**

*Tennessee Board of Regents Office of Policy and Strategy. <https://www.tbr.edu/policy-strategy/data-and-research>
 **Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC). (2022). Tennessee Higher Education Fact Book 2021-2022.

COMPLETE: tnAchieves’ Proactive Coaching Model and Completion Grant Program

Students participating in tnAchieves’ proactive coaching model COMPLETE saw significant increases in first-year retention despite the pandemic’s impact on student success. Pairing proactive coaching with completion grants dramatically increased the first-year retention of economically disadvantaged students.

First-Year Retention Students Engaged with tnAchieves Supports During COVID Era



tnAchieves Mentor Program

While the time commitment is small, mentoring with tnAchieves is the best way to ensure students in each community have someone in their corner while navigating the college process. **Since the launch of the program, tnAchieves has recruited more than 80,000 volunteer mentors.** In 2023, we’re ready to adapt and reimagine our mentoring program to better serve students and re-energize the state’s college-going culture.

9,000 Mentors Needed

Oct. 21 Mentor Application Deadline

Reimagining tnAchieves Mentoring

- Earlier Access To Students
- In-Person Meetings
- Familiar Virtual Tools

Becoming a tnAchieves Mentor

Mentors apply at tnAchieves.org/mentors or by scanning the QR code!



APPLY!