Title: College and Career Preparatory Academy

[Opening Music]

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(Male VO) The name of our program is the College and Career Preparatory Academy. It's a charter school run by the Orange County Department of Education.

(Female VO) I am working with students eighteen and above usually 18-25 helping them do two things.

One, get their high school diploma and two, plan next steps.

You focus on trying to make sure they have a high school diploma before they leave, but at the same time we provide them with career skills and job skills so when they leave us they have something that they can do when they get out in terms of providing for themselves or their families.

Sometimes people have a lot of things that, you know, that comes their way and then to have this program is like a valuable asset.

They need some things. They need individual, one to one support.

They flexibility in their schedule. Ah...they need someone who will work with them at the pace that they are currently at...meet them where they are. Ah...so...all of these things are possible through this program.

I take some courses which is JAVA programming and that helps me to get ready for college.

He has been able to succeed in classes that I wasn't thinking that he was 'gonna succeed. And we are at this point that we are really close to graduation, he just has to finish his electives and now we're thinking about college. So we are talking now about a...again things that we're not even in our minds. A new future is opening and a new hope.

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