The Juntos Program means “Together” in Spanish. Our mission is to empower Latino 8th -12th grade students and their parents to gain the knowledge, skills, and resources to promote high school graduation and make going to college possible.

2017-2018 Program Locations and Number of Students Served
The Juntos Program partnered with six counties, school personnel, and community organizations in order to serve hundreds of students and families:

- Fully Implemented Program
- Partially Implemented Program (with no grant funds)

2017-2018 Milestones for Fully Implementing Programs

- 95% of students reported that Juntos 4-H is a place where they feel they belong.
- 84% of Juntos 4-H students are confident that they will graduate from high school.
- 45% Juntos 4-H students have GPAs above 3.5 (based on available transcript data).

Over 300 youth, parents, siblings, and volunteers attended Familias Unidas at NC State University. Students participated in a soccer tournament, and families had an opportunity to tour and learn more about higher education.

Sustainability Initiatives and Partnerships are Vital to Juntos Success

- Several NC State University College Offices and Divisions made Familias Unidas possible by covering 100% of the cost.
- Grants from the Honda Foundation, Stephen’s Fund, USDA CYFAR, and bridge funding from NC State Extension helped sustain Juntos in 2018-2019. Juntos leadership will continue to search for funding opportunities in order to expand and secure day-to-day operations across the state.
- 11 States across the nation are trained to implement Juntos, this number continues to grow as more states request training and technical assistance.

Support the Juntos Program, visit http://www.juntosnc.com. For more information, contact Diana Urieta (dmurieta@ncsu.edu) or Iliana Santillan (misantil@ncsu.edu)
Our students and families are eager to receive the resources needed to make higher education accessible and attainable. For more information, contact Jessica Aguilar at jsaguil2@ncsu.edu.

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Juntos in Pender County is the narrative of young men and women who are paving the way to create a culture of academic success and access to higher education. Juntos youth leaders transitioned from being “too cool to go to school” to becoming trailblazers and role models in their county.

Program Characteristics at Pender High School

Pender serves a total of 30 students

- 50% female
- 50% male

Students Challenge Themselves Academically

- 100% of high school seniors graduated on time.
- 70% of students enrolled in honors or AP classes.
- Success coaching has helped 43% of students reach a GPA of 3.5 or higher.
- 50% of students were accepted into competitive summer programs at North Carolina State University (NCSU), University of North Carolina Greensboro (UNCG), University of North Carolina Wilmington (UNCW), and George Washington University.
- Events such as “Seahawk for a Day” & “STEM Day” at the University of North Carolina Greensboro (UNCG) provided students with opportunities to engage with technology, engineering, and math through activities tailored to their career interests.

Staff and School Personnel are Committed to Students’ Success

- 9 families attended Familias Unidas at NCSU. Students and parents had the opportunity to learn more about the possibility of higher education.
- Pender’s Juntos Coordinator is committed to monthly success coaching sessions to track academic progress.
- Juntos Seniors were able to complete financial aid applications thanks to the support provided by Pender High School’s Advisor.

Juntos Partners Contribute Vital Resources

- Pender High School’s principal funds one UNCW college visit per year for Juntos students.
- Centro Hispano and MI CASA at UNCW provided transportation to events and student volunteers to support programming.
- In 2018, Sherwin-Williams Painting Company provided volunteers and all materials for a community service project that involved painting Pender High School.

We need your help to expand our reach and sustain our impact. Donate at go.ncsu.edu/Juntos.