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Triton College Hosted OneGoal's Northern Illinois Leadership Network Meeting

RIVER GROVE, III. – <u>OneGoal</u>, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to closing opportunity gaps in higher education, held its Northern Illinois <u>Leadership Network</u> meeting at Triton College on Wednesday, Oct. 25. School leaders gathered from Northern and Central Illinois, and parts of Kentucky to discuss topics related to postsecondary readiness at their high schools.

"It's important for us to connect with institutions in our community," said Milissa McClaire Gary, OneGoal's managing director of Programming. "Several of our district partners in the area have a relationship with Triton, such as Proviso Township. We want to leverage those relationships and build connections."

The event included presentations and breakout sessions, as well as opening remarks from Dr. Jodi Koslow Martin, vice president of Enrollment Management & Student Affairs.

"We're so pleased to host OneGoal at Triton College," said Dr. Koslow Martin. "Triton and OneGoal's mission align, which is better access to educational opportunities."

OneGoal's goal is to close the opportunity gap by transforming postsecondary advising and support so students can reach "their greatest postsecondary aspirations."

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About OneGoal

OneGoal transforms postsecondary advising and support so that every student can define their own future. Together with our partners, we're building a movement to close the opportunity gap. We work side-by-side with partner schools and districts to build their knowledge and

capacity. The result is more equitable and effective support for all students. Our unique approach, honed over 15 years, prioritizes strong human relationships. And it's proven to deliver real student impact. 81% of OneGoal high school graduates enroll in a postsecondary institution, and 73% of those who enroll persist one year after high school. An independent study by the University of Chicago found that OneGoal students are about 40% more likely to earn their postsecondary degrees than students from similar backgrounds.

About Triton College

Triton College is a two-year college dedicated to helping members of the 25 Western Cook County communities in our district and beyond to achieve educational, professional and personal success. Located in River Grove, Ill., Triton offers more than 120 degree and certificate programs on its 110-acre campus, featuring a comfortable, friendly and diverse atmosphere. Triton also holds classes at satellite locations and offers online learning opportunities. Triton's dedicated faculty and staff work to provide high quality, convenient and affordable educational opportunities to more than 14,000 students each year. Triton College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Learn more at <u>http://www.triton.edu/</u>.