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The Maricopa Community Colleges announced a new program that will help children who are aging out of the foster care system to get into and complete college.

The "Bridging Success Initiative," funded by the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust, was introduced at an event this past week with partners from across the valley.

The program focuses on three key areas: retention, degree completion, and transfer.

For more information about Maricopa's Bridging Success Initiative, contact Stephanie Garman at 480-731-8093 or visit

<https://asa.maricopa.edu/departments/office-of-student-affairs/initiatives/bridging-success-initiative>.

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The largest of the 10 members of the Maricopa Community Colleges system, Mesa Community College offers degrees in programs like film, biology, interior design and journalism. The school recently added a new performing arts center that can seat 462 people.

Second Place (tie):

Arizona State University at the Polytechnic campus

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