

Wellstone YPE



The Team

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Our Hypothesis

We think that one of the main reasons students do not engage in school is because Wellstone does not have the resources students need to reach their dreams.

Our Project

Conducted interviews with students in different languages

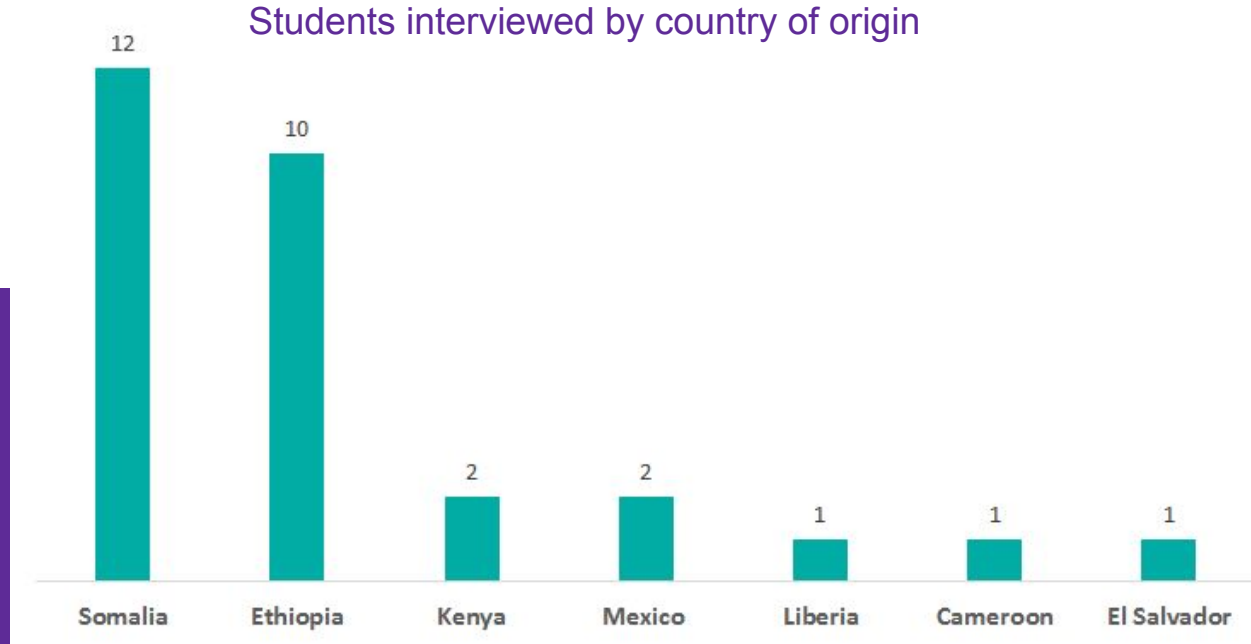
- More authentic than survey- students will give honest feedback
- Can speak to students in different languages

Our Questions

- What are your goals for after High School?
- What resources do you need to reach your goals?
- Does Wellstone have these resources available?

Who we talked to

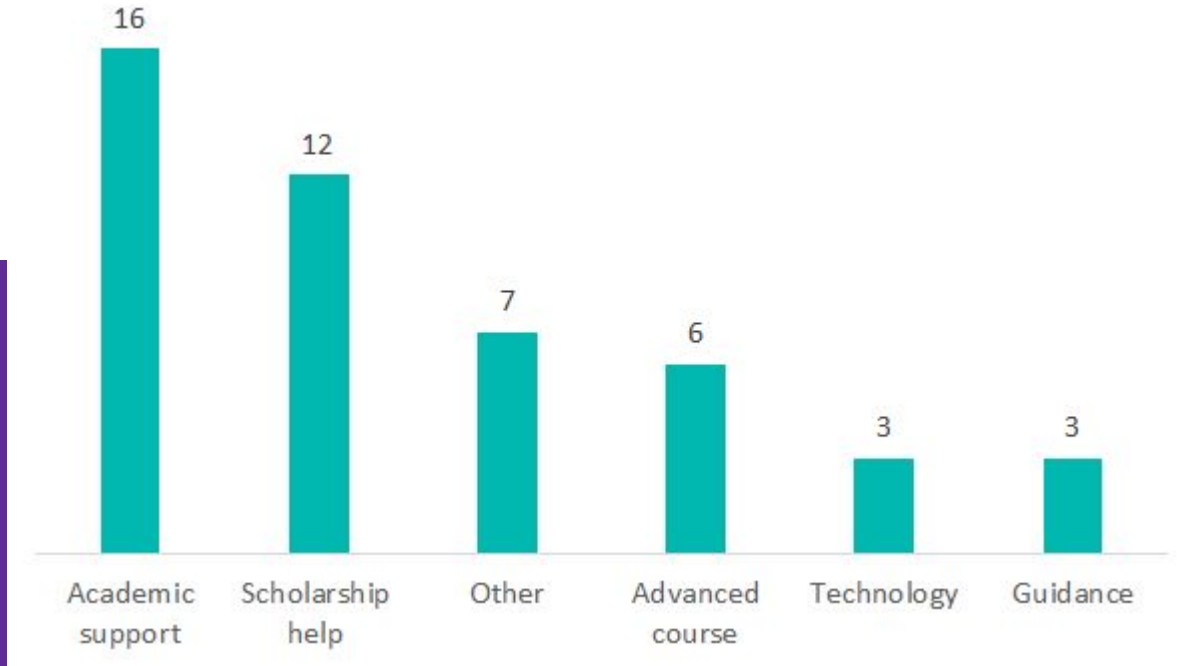
- 30 students
- 7 different countries
- Majority female



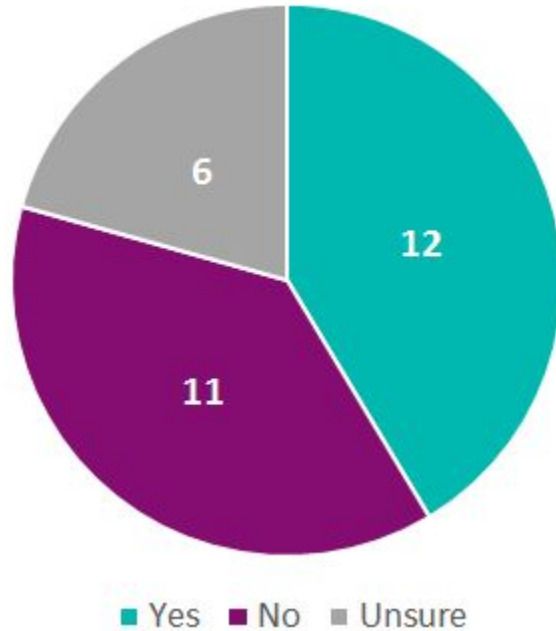
What are the goals of students after Wellstone?

- 90% of students we interviewed said that going to college was one of their goals after Wellstone
- 30% of students had specific career goals
 - Healthcare (Doctor, Nurse, Neurology, Pharmacy)
 - Computer science
 - Engineering
 - Education
- A few students want to work full time, a larger number of students plan to work while in higher education

What resources do students need to reach their goals?



Does Wellstone have these resources?



Our Recommendations

- More advanced classes at wellstone
 - A lot of students take classes at MCTC but they should they need opportunities and support to succeed in advanced classes at Wellstone
- A lot of students need scholarships
 - Wellstone has one person who helps students apply for college and scholarships. We need more people to help students with this process in their home language

Our Recommendations

- Students need access to computers with programs like microsoft word and training on how to use them.
- Students need better information about what is available to them
 - a lot of students thought the resources they needed didn't exist but other students noted that they use those types of services
 - What it takes to graduate (what classes and credits you need)
 - What help exists for applying to college
 - Access to professionals they can talk to in the industry of work they are interested in

Our Recommendations

- Students need extra support outside of class
 - After school help
 - More support to learn English
 - Engaging afterschool activities