

Competitive Report

February 1, 2016 to June 13, 2016

Social Media Sites Monitored

In School and ERL











Competitors Monitored

 While In School competitors are much more established, ERL competitors are still just starting up

In School



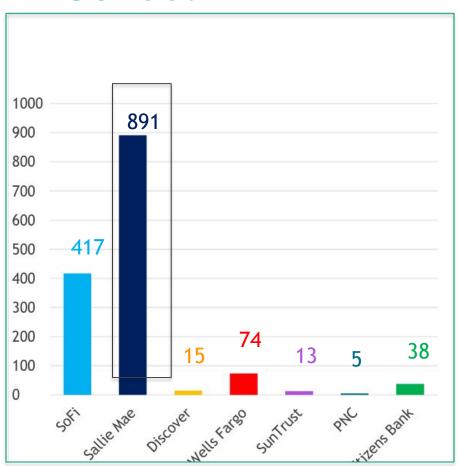
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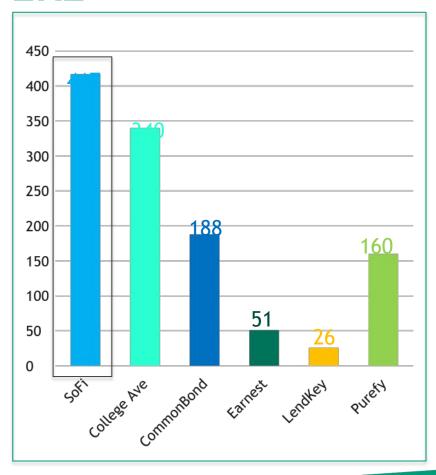
Total Posts

- Total posts include all posts across all social media channels.
- Sallie Mae has the most posts on the In School side mainly due to livetweets
- SoFi has the most posts on the ERL side mainly due to webinars and job advice

In School

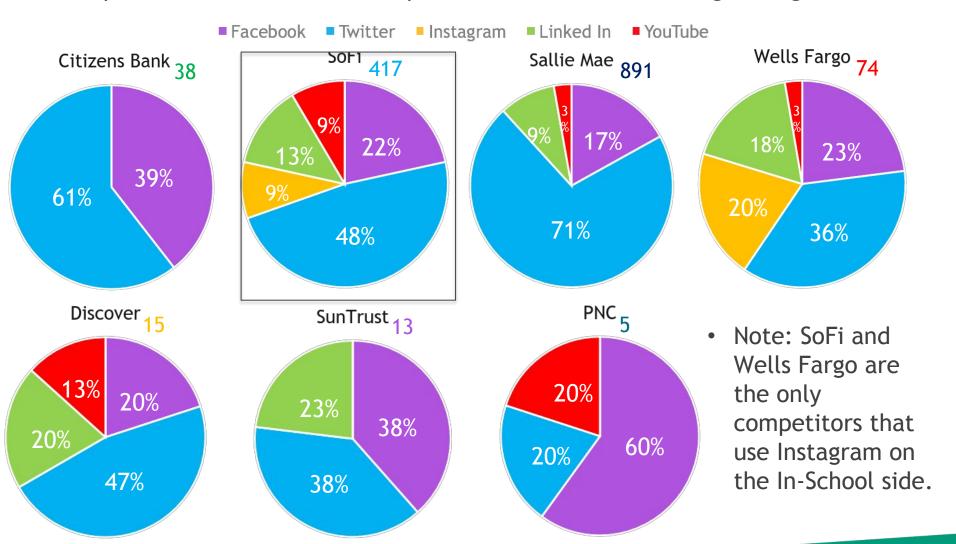


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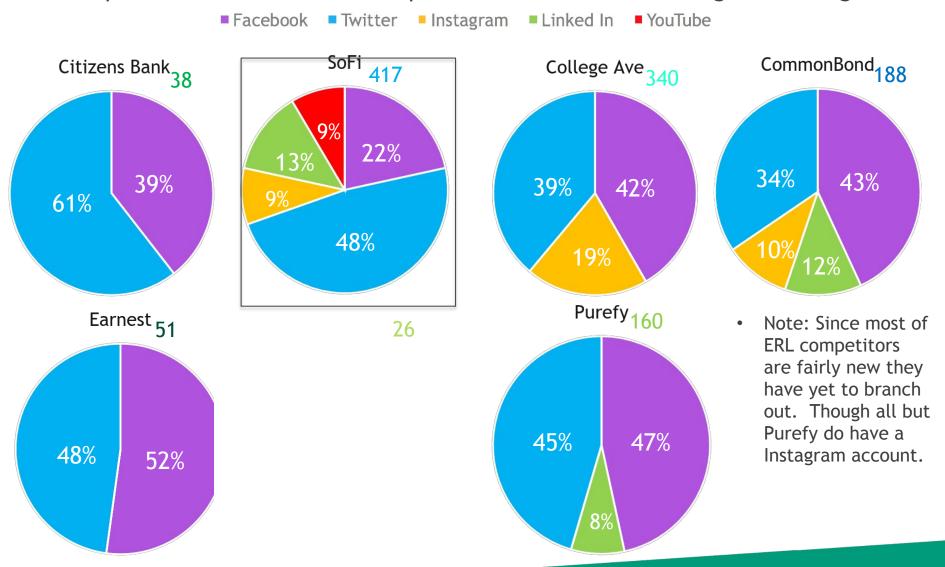
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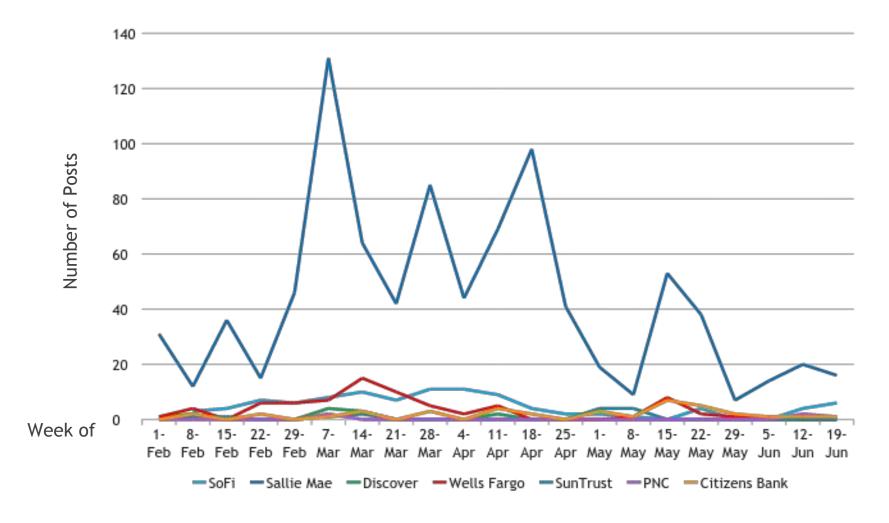
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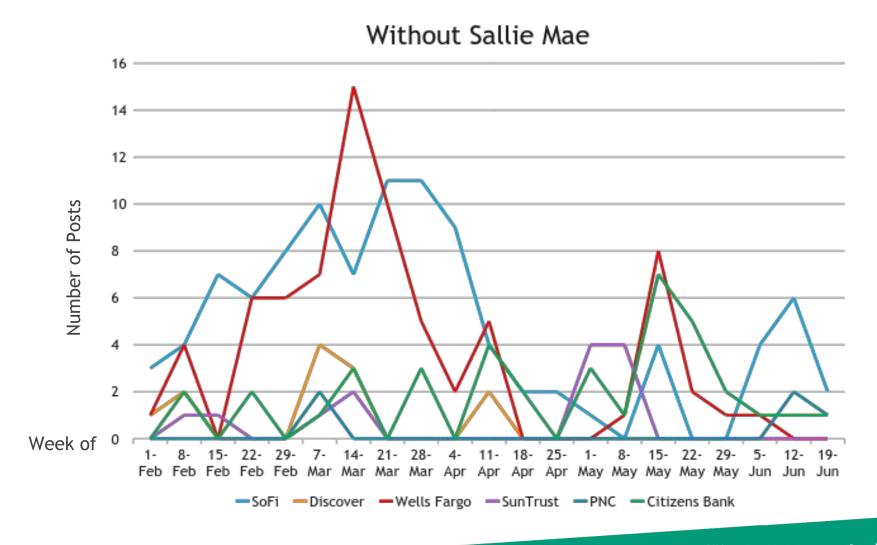
Frequency of Posts: In School

Sallie Mae most posts overall mainly because they host monthly 'livetweet' events where people can ask college related question on Twitter.



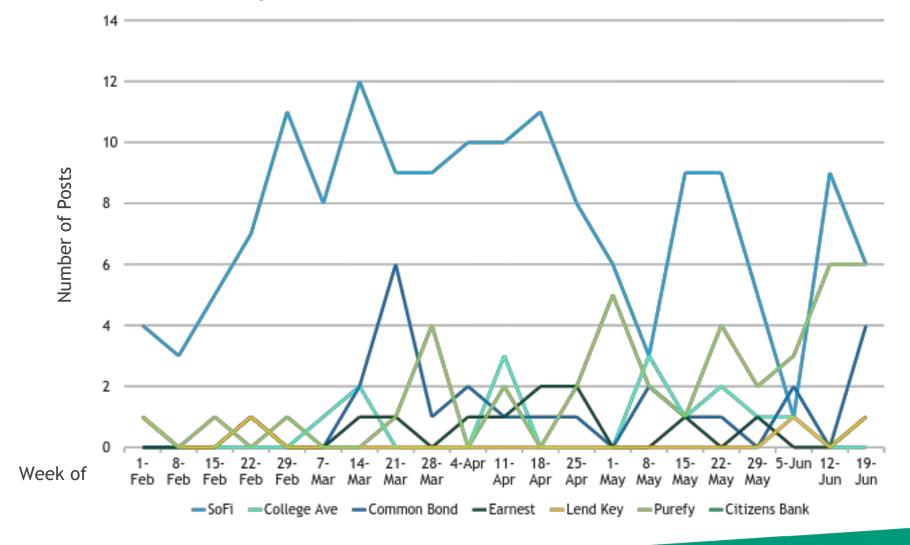
Frequency of Post: In School **Omitting Sallie**

Without Sallie Mae, SoFi and Wells Fargo have similar posting frequencies



Frequency of Posts: ERL

With regards to ERL, SoFi has lots more ERL-related posts, including job advice, refinancing testimonials and ERL content.



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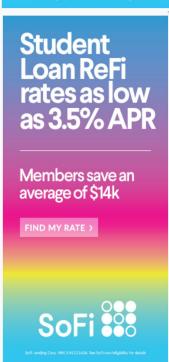
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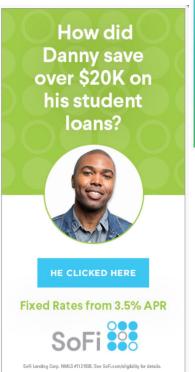


















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Alignment (3/3): Connecting the 375 views • 1 month ago



Alignment (2/3): Personal strategic planning

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Highlights

In School	
Sallie Mae	 College Ahead Mobile App Monthly Scholarship Sweepstakes Bridging the Dream Scholarship College Chat Millennial Survey
Wells Fargo	 Get College Ready + Lottery Contest Tuition Funding Sources Scholarship Search
Discover	 Annual Scholarship Sweepstakes
College Ave	 College Selfie for Gift Card College Planning Interactive Checklist/Timeline Thankful Thursday Giveaway College Ave Madness Sweepstakes

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SoFi	 SoFi Super Bowl Ad Why I SoFi Sweepstakes (March) March Madness Sweepstakes Job Advice Webinars Millennial Survey Grad School Major Bot

Summary

- Most active competitors: Sallie Mae and SoFi
- SoFi is much more ERL focused
- Though most ERL's competitors are still establishing themselves in the social space and market, they have strong content in their social channels.
- A majority of ERL's competitors have a Instagram account
- Common social media post tactics found among most competitors both ERL and In School:
 - Webinars/Live chats where customers can ask questions and get live advice
 - Posts/content that reference current events
 - Usage of GIFs or animations to attract the eye
 - Repeated posting of testimonials or other content
 - Sweepstakes/lottery

