



VVECHS • CECA • FECHS Advisory Team Meeting Agenda

Friday, August 14, 2020
Microsoft Teams
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- I. Welcome and Announcements
- II. EPCC Fall 2020 Updates
- III. Principals' Updates
- IV. Registration
- V. ECHS Blueprint
- VI. Important Dates
- VII. Blackboard Course Availability Reminder

From: Distance Learning Support Services - dlss@epcc.edu do-not-reply@online.epcc.edu
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2020 11:16 AM
To: Distance Learning
Subject: Bb Course Availability Reminder

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- VIII. Other
- IX. Next Meeting



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Attendees (See attached sign-in sheet)

- I. Welcome and Announcements
Dean Amaya welcomed everyone.

- II. EPCC Fall 2020 Updates
The plan for 25% of staff to return to campus is set to start on September 8th. There is no current date for faculty and students to return to campus.

The Faculty Development Week Schedule is out. Dual credit faculty are required to attend one workshop during the week and the two Thursday evening meetings. The most up-to-day schedule will be posted in the Advisory Team OneDrive folder.

Dean Badillo sent out a memo with answers to questions she has been receiving in regards to how much Blackboard needs to be used in dual credit classes.

- III. Principals' Updates

FECHS

FECHS classes begin on Monday and will be held synchronously. An issue with mandatory EPCC discipline meetings being held during the day while high school teachers are giving class was discussed. Dean Badillo asks for those instructors to reach out to their designated deans, as many of those disciplines are holding additional meetings for dual credit faculty.

FECHS has 135 freshmen and 132 sophomores enrolled this semester. They have added a few more courses this semester, and students are excited to take them. Some classes are still waiting for CRNs, so they don't have access to Blackboard. Ms. Duncan asked them to wait it out and be ready for when they show up.

VVECHS

Classes will be held synchronously as much as possible, starting on Monday as well. VVECHS currently has a freshmen class of 109, which is more than last year's entering class. The new style of recruitment seems to have helped a great deal. There are currently 81 Sophomore students, which is the smallest group they have ever had.

There has been a delay in getting EPCC ID numbers for their freshmen. All incoming students completed their Apply Texas applications, but still do not have ID numbers a week later. Dr. Lachica-Chavez explained that usually, early college students' information is sent to her office so that those applications can be processed first. Ms. McNulty will work on getting that information to the EPCC Dual Credit enrollment specialists.

VVECHS has developed a process for students to log attendance for their college classes but still does not know where to send that information. For now, they are sending their attendance spreadsheets to YISD Central Office. There is still a concern about how attendance will affect funding.

CECA

CECA just completed its second week of instruction, with most classes being held synchronously. Enrollment currently stands at 353 students, including 104 freshmen. Students are still being tested and placed in the correct courses, but many have faced technical issues. A large group of freshmen is taking ECUC 1300, so CECA is optimistic this group of students will do well.

There has been no direction from TEA regarding logging attendance. CECA has also developed a system for students to record their attendance. Students also state what they are working on in the college course and their current grade. With college classes started later than high school classes, students are currently working on Khan Academy to prepare.

A big concern for CECA right now is the student and teacher burnout they experienced in the Spring semester. They are currently working with teachers to develop additional teaching methods while keeping classes synchronous.

The Clint ISD is working out a plan for returning to campus, but with things changing frequently, nothing has been decided. A big hurdle that must be overcome is the transportation of students. They must also figure out how to have some students in-person and others online only.

IV. Registration

Registration at VVECHS has been slow, but still coming along. Ms. McNulty asked for clarification on the limit of credit hours students can take. Is it okay for students to have 16 hours? Enrollment specialists flag students who are at 17 hours or more. In those cases, petitions are sent to Dean Badillo for approval.

FECHS has seen CRNs come in a few at a time.

V. ECHS Blueprint

Dr. Martinez is still formulating his questions and comments regarding the blueprint information that came out earlier this week but can live with the document as it is. The team will continue to monitor any changes and information given.

VI. Important Dates

Please send Dr. Amaya any dates or requests for him to drop into student or parent meetings. He is also available to record messages.

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Dean Badillo asked that schools remind students that EPCC does not have an intersession, so any work due that week will still need to be completed if the student is in a college course taught by an EPCC faculty. Dr. Amaya asks that schools bring up any issues as early as possible to avoid having to resolve them after the semester ends.

The EPCC Leadership Team is focusing on student engagement, which will be brought up throughout Faculty Development Week. If there are any concerns about engagement, please reach out to Dr. Amaya. Remind students that accommodations must go through the EPCC Center for Students with Disabilities. The ISD paperwork is not enough for the college course. Students need to contact the EPCC CSD Office for documentation. Instructors are then sent the required accommodations.

IX. Next Meeting

The next advisory team meeting will be Friday, September 11th, from 10 AM to 12 PM through Microsoft Teams.

Minutes written by Lorena I. González



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