



## VVECHS • CECA • FECHS Advisory Team Meeting Agenda

Friday, September 11, 2020

Microsoft Teams

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

- I. Welcome and Announcements
- II. EPCC Parking Stickers – Ms. Rocio Del Villar, Interim Manager Vehicle Registration
- III. EPCC Fall 2020 Updates
- IV. Principals' Updates
- V. Registration
- VI. ECHS Blueprint
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- VIII. Other
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Attendees (See attached sign-in sheet)

- I. Welcome and Announcements  
Dean Amaya welcomed everyone.
  
- II. EPCC Parking Stickers – Ms. Rocio Del Villar, Interim Manager Vehicle Registration  
Students will be able to submit the parking sticker form to the email address listed. Ms. Rocio Del Villar will forward the way to their VVECHS contact. The regulation of parking stickers will not be as strict to allow everyone to get a parking sticker.
  
- III. EPCC Fall 2020 Updates  
No decision about Spring 2021 has been made. EPCC's 25% Phased Return plan has been moved to September 28<sup>th</sup>. Discussions about making parts of campus more available to students are in the early stages and will need to pass through the EPCC legal team. This includes areas VVECHS students will be allowed to use.
  
- IV. Principals' Updates

### **VVECHS**

Recent progress reports show students are either doing well or not well at all. It could be that students are concentrating on their college classes, but progress in their college classes is unknown right now. VVECHS Administration is contacting students with extremely low grades to see what is going on.

VVECHS teachers will be back on campus starting October 5<sup>th</sup>, and students back on October 12<sup>th</sup>. Another survey will be sent out to parents about whether they want their students to return to campus or remain online. VVECHS is unsure how many seniors will come back to campus since the senior English teacher will continue to teach online.

VVECHS has been dealing with getting students their Labster access codes as the codes go through the college professor. Dr. Amaya has been in contact with the Biology Districtwide Coordinator, Dr. Pacheco. Labster seems to be dragging their feet.

## **CECA**

CECA plans to have students return to campus on October 5<sup>th</sup>. In a new survey, 10% of students said they would return to campus. Meetings have been going on in preparation, and a tentative plan is posted on the CECA website. Safety Protocols are still being fine-tuned. They will be looking at getting a targeted group of students to return. These include students with technology issues, LEP students, etc. Students are still facing many technology issues, including logging into Blackboard at EPCC and UTEP. Freshmen and sophomore teachers will be surveyed to see which students they feel would benefit the most from returning. So far, these are not the students who have volunteered to come back. Another concern is how to get students to campus safely. Many CECA students are bused in, some from as far as an hour away. CECA should know by the middle of next week a more definite number of students to return.

Student progress is also either very good or very low, with the number of students failing more than one class being high. Students were surveyed to see what is going on, but CECA is still unsure why students are falling behind. Attendance has not been bad, but also not as it is typically. CECA is worried the same is happening in the college courses as well. Students are being asked to give their current college course grades and when assignments are coming up. To help address these concerns, CECA moved up with professional development day to September 17<sup>th</sup>. They are looking at different resources to help instructors with student engagement in synchronous classes.

## **FECHS**

FECHS teachers will be back on October 5<sup>th</sup> with students returning after intersession on October 19<sup>th</sup>. The plan is for a phased return. A recent survey showed that many parents have opted to have their students stay with virtual learning.

Students have been facing issues with the Respondus Lockdown Browser. The process of returning the computers to campus, updating them, and returning the computers to the students can take up to a week or more. Dr. Amaya asked that students inform their EPCC professors of these issues. EPCC will work on gathering information from disciplines on what technology is needed for their classes.

The team discussed the mental stress (social and emotional) and difficulties students face at home. This is happening with both early college and traditional students.

## **V. Registration**

VVECHS faced some issues with the registration process this semester. Rene Chavez offered to meet with Mr. Covey and Ms. McNulty to get them caught up.

Dr. Lachica-Chavez and Associate Registrar, Becky Luna, helped with registration this semester and found some processes that can be improved. She also updated the team on the new registration process currently being phased in. Dr. Martinez also asked how student information can be shared when a student transfers from another early college. As soon as the student's EA is updated, the student's information will show on the new school's dashboard.

Ms. Duncan does not have access to the dashboard. Dr. Lachica-Chavez's office received a list from Frank Clark on updates to SISD administration and will check to see if Ms. Duncan and the Eastlake comprehensive counselor are on the list.

VI. ECHS Blueprint

The ECHS Blueprint was not discussed.

VII. Important Dates

The Counseling Institute will take place on September 30<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 to 11:00. Invitations are being sent out.

The Building Bridges: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Dual Credit Conference will be virtual this year and occur on October 12<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. Please send out the Save-the-Date and keep a lookout for registration information.

EPCC Professional Development Day is on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

Spring 2021 Registration opens October 1<sup>st</sup>.

VIII. Other

Mr. Covey asked that as soon as EPCC knows their instruction model for Spring, please let them know. VVECHS adjusted their schedule to go along with EPCC and would have a tough time making a change at the last minute.

Dr. Amaya asked for the early colleges to send information on specialty classes along to the respective deans to be aware of the need. A biology class was initially offered as an independent study but turned into a full section due to demand.

IX. Next Meeting

The next advisory team meeting will be Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, from 10 AM to 12 PM through Microsoft Teams.

Minutes written by Lorena I. González



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