

DVR Mid-Year Report

Family & Consumer Science

Culinary – October 6, 2015

1. New Triton Restaurant

- a. Teachers were able to tour the new restaurant at Triton.
- b. The restaurant has a modern décor and features a mixology station and viewable food prep area.

2. Dual Credit

- a. High schools are strongly encouraged to take advantage of the dual credit opportunities.
- b. All instructors should be qualified for adjunct status.
- c. The instructor process was discussed.

3. Summer DVR Career Camps – discussed at all 3 meetings

- a. Triton and DVR have discontinued funding of the DVR Career Camps.
- b. Leyden is pursuing other options for offering FSSMC to their students.

4. Uploading lessons to DVR Blog – discussed/explained at all 3 meetings

- a. Teachers are encouraged to upload lessons to the DVR blog.
- b. To view the blog, teachers should go to <http://www.dvr-efe.org/welcome/> to view the lesson plans that have been posted. Teachers should choose a category on the left side, to view the available subject areas.
- c. Instructions for uploading to the blog were demonstrated.

Early Childhood Education – November 5, 2015

1. Update of Gateways Certification

- a. Illinois colleges are now required to align their curriculum with the Gateways Certification.
- b. Mary Rinchiuso from Triton will be working to align Triton's curriculum with Gateways.
- c. The changes involve curriculum and an increase in observation hours required at each level.

2. Dual Credit

- a. Early Childhood is under Arts and Sciences which requires a master's degree in field in order to teach a dual credit course.
- b. Triton's programs transfer to a 4-year institution for bachelor's degrees.

3. 4 Year Articulation Programs within Triton's Education Program

- a. UIC
- b. Concordia
- c. Eastern Illinois University
- d. Northeastern Illinois
- e. National Louis University

4. Challenges to ECE Students

- a. Students are struggling to pass the ACT/TAP test which is required for a 4-year degree.
- b. The ACT requirement is 22.
- c. The TAP requirement is equivalent to a 27 on the ACT.

Allied Health – November 30, 2015

1. Triton College Program Update

- a. Triton works with several colleges for students to earn the Bachelors' of Science degree. These include Benedictine, Governor's University, Aurora University, and Olivet
- b. Certified Medical Assistant Program coming in spring 2016
- c. Nursing programs are being revised to include some electives such as ethics, intravenous venipuncture, electrocardiography, and applied medical terminology.
- d. **Hospital Accreditation: RN's vs. LPN's**
 - a. The new hospital accreditation is a Magnet Accreditation which requires all nurses to have a B.S. degree.
 - b. This change is greatly decreasing the demand for LPN's.
 - c. LPN's will still be utilized in nursing homes/assisted living facilities.
- e. **Universal medical record documentation**
 - a. This is being discussed and allows hospitals to easily share vital medical information to another hospital.
 - b. This is to assist patients who transfer or move as well as improving care in emergency situations.
- f. **Triton's New Facilities**
 - a. Peter provided a tour of the new facilities.
 - b. The new facility has state of the art equipment, and high schools are encouraged to visit.