

## DVR Meeting

November 9, 2021

### ECE DVR Meeting/Triton ECE-Education Department Advisory Meeting Minutes

Zoom/Blackboard

#### 1. Welcome

- a. Attendance: Ally, Angela (Triton), Kimberly (Dominican), Jackie, Natalie, Hannah, Julie, Kristie (OPRF) Connie, Patty (Proviso), Frank, Jen (Leyden) Kristina Wilson (Workforce Partners), Michael K (EFE Director), Rebecca (Lewis), Natalie (NIU), Ayn
- b. DVR/Dual Credit Instructors
  - i. High Schools: Business back to usual.
    1. Leyden: Students back to observing
    2. OPRF: Students observing via Zoom.
  - ii. Dual Credit: Tim's position is still not filled. Mr. Jensen is taking over the role right now. [dualcredit@triton.edu](mailto:dualcredit@triton.edu)
- c. University Partners
  - i. NIU: Dealing with a lot of student trauma currently. They are now giving students in the Education pathway options to complete PEL with sped endorsement or ELL endorsement. Please reach out to Dr. Young to have small focus groups with NIU if you have an Education pathway. She will share results with your schools.
    1. From Natalie! Please reach out if you have HS students who are in an education pathway. I know there's a lot on your plates right now so I promise it is NOT a huge ask and we will NOT take up a bunch of your time. In fact , it may give you a bit of a breather 😊 I hope to hear from you [nyoung@niu.edu](mailto:nyoung@niu.edu)
  - ii. Lewis: Going to be part of the consortium to offer scholarships to Education students.
- d. Workforce Partners: (Kristina) Hard to find good people. Turning families away because they do not have enough teachers. Spending lots of time training teachers. The teachers are very interested in elementary education. Maybe make that part of their culture at the center.
- e. Triton ECE Department
  - i. Trying to support students who are in the workforce for the associates degree cohort model. Classes will be in 8 week sessions. It's a hybrid format. Working two days a week at Triton and some online.
  - ii. Working on more online classes. More accessible.
  - iii. Hold an Education symposium on **Friday, March 4th, 2022 for HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. HS teachers check your calendars**
- f. Education Department
  - i. Have a ED cohort model, big push from Triton. Start in Fall of 2022. They are creating some programming for the HS students. For students in the 2 year and 4 year paths.
  - ii. Education Organization: Started in spring of 2020. Still working on getting traction. Will reach out to HS teachers to connect with your students to gain partnerships.

#### 2. Discussion:

- a. Early Childhood Access Consortium for Equity
  - i. **Education and workforce equity act illinois: it is a new act passed down by the state to create equity in access to quality ECE programs for families. A part of this work involves getting those in the workforce to obtain certificates and degrees by providing scholarships to cover tuition for certificate and degree programs. In order to qualify for the scholarships students need to be**

working in the field (part-time employment counts too). I encouraged Dual Credit instructors to provide this information to students that are interested in pursuing a certificate or degree in ECE. More information is coming! Just passed in March!

1. Consortium scholarships are for people who are in the field currently.
2. If HS students are interested in ECE, work in the field part time and then they can apply for the scholarship.
3. Consortium is also making sure that associates degrees from community colleges are transferring 100%. Articulation agreements are important for this.

ii. Here is a link to information about the scholarship...

[isac.org/students/during-college/types-of-financial-aid/scholarships/ecace.html](https://isac.org/students/during-college/types-of-financial-aid/scholarships/ecace.html)

- b. Key assessments used in dual credit courses that assess program level outcomes (ECE 111, ECE 146, EDU 207)
    - i. EDU: East & West Leyden has the program, so they have key assessments that have to be completed. Angela will reach out to you.
  - c. Developing new workforce partnerships
    - i. If you know any programs within the communities that can serve on the advisory board or form partnerships with Triton.
3. Additional Discussion Topics/Questions
- a. Connie (Proviso): FCCLA has how to develop a daycare center, read a story