ADULT BASIC EDUCATION CENTER
Orientation Information

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Background

History

- Started around 2010
- No show issues
- Retention issues
- Testing issues
- Increasing expectations for programs to demonstrate effectiveness

ECC ESL In-Person Orientation

Purpose

- Prepare students to know what to expect
- Share expectations for students
- Share additional programming available

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Who?

Who's required to attend

- All new students to the program

- When a student changes programs (e.g., from ESL to HSE)

- Students who have not been in the program for more than 1 year

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Who/How

Run by faculty and administrative staff

Paid out of performance monies or college funds

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When?

Registration Process - F2F

1. Inquiry
2. Intake
3. Testing
4. Orientation/Placement
5. Registration

Registration Process - Online

1. Inquiry
2. Intake
3. Testing
4. Orientation (asynchronous)
5. ESL only synchronous orientation/placement
6. Registration

Content: In Person Classes

- General class information

- Specialized class information

- Program structure

- Things to do before classes start

- How to be a good student once classes start

- How to measure success; testing

- Attendance policy

- Teacher communication

- Writing assessment (ESL only)

- Next steps

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Content: Online Classes

- General class information

- Specialized class information

- Program structure

- Things to do before classes start

- How to be a good online student

- How to measure success; testing

- Attendance policy

- Teacher communication

- Writing assessment (ESL)

- Zoom orientation/D2L orientation (ESL)

- Next steps

Impact of Orientations

- Students are better informed before registering for class.

- Students are showing up for the first day of classes prepared

- Students are aware of importance of attendance and testing

- Students are more communicative about issues with attending class

- Students are more knowledgeable about special programs

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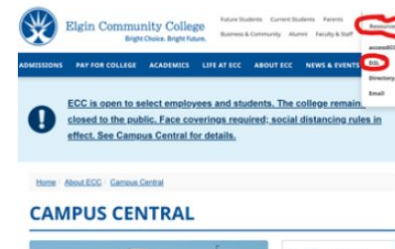
- Online ESL students are more successful with logging in and participating in class (D2L) with added step to orientation

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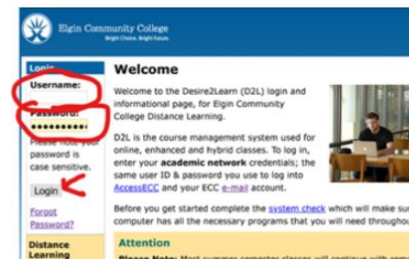College

Lessons Learned from the Pandemic

- Detailed instructions with images of the steps are important

- Using QR codes as well as links allow students easier access to information

- Include an orientation to the system (D2L) within the course management system

- Importance of having accessible videos (e.g., closed captioning)

- Include contact information (where students can receive assistance)

How to get to your D2L class. This will may not be available until the first day of class.

1. Go to elgin.edu. Click on Resources: D2L

2. Enter your username and password (same as your elgin email) and click on "Login".

- Many of our students want/can be successful with remote learning options (especially HSE/GED)

Questions?

Thank you for your time!

Marcia Luptak
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