AVATAR College Preparatory Course

Evidence of Progress of Data Collection

**Two-Year IHE AVATAR Contract**:

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**Partnership and MOU Information**:

* **List the Partners who designed and developed the course and MOU**: TCC Connect staff; Robin Birt, Director for College Readiness; Tommy Awtry, Dean of Math and Science/Southeast Campus; Math Council; Developmental Education Council
* **List the School Districts that have signed an MOU for 2014-2015**: Crowley ISD, Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD, Everman ISD, Mansfield ISD, Lake Worth ISD, Azle ISD, Kennedale ISD, Hurst-Euless-Bedford ISD, Keller ISD, Fort Worth ISD, Grapevine-Colleyville ISD, Castleberry ISD, Birdville ISD, Southlake-Carroll ISD
* **Provide Partnership course meeting dates, agendas and minutes**:
* **List Partners who are working on an MOU for a future College Preparatory Course**: TCCD

**Course Description**:

* **Course Title:** Integrated Reading and Writing College Preparatory Course; Mathematics College Preparatory Course
* **Course Number**:
* **Is the course blended or taken concurrently with another course**: At this time the college has an integrated reading and writing model that was used to prepare the course for preparation for the reading and writing sections of the Texas Success Initiative exam. A separate Mathematics course was developed by the Math Council
* **What is the length of the course**: One Semester
* **What Aspects of the College-going culture are included in the curriculum of the course:** At this time there is identification and advising that is handled by the high school counselors.
* **What is the primary delivery of the course**: Face to Face
* **When is the course offered**: The high schools that are taking advantage of the course are currently offering it during their regularly scheduled school day
* **What is the best description of the instructors of the course**: Currently the course is being taught by high school English and Mathematics teachers
* **What students are/will be enrolled in the course**: for the 2014-2015 school year, students taking the course are seniors who have time available in their schedule for a non-credit course that will exempt them from the TSI exam or assist them in preparing for the exam. Counselors will continue to identify eligible students during the fall semester that may be able to take the course in Spring 2015.
* **At Course completion, what is the criterion for a student to be “college ready”:** At the end of the course, students with a grade of “C” or better may be exempt from the TSI if they attend college at Tarrant County College District. This exemption is eligible for five years. Students that wish to be TSI exempt at other school outside of the district will be required to take and pass the TSI exam. A grade of “C” or better requires a score of 70 or higher.
* **Is the course offered for Dual Credit**: No; at this time the course is considered a developmental education course and is not eligible for college credit.

The remaining questions do not apply at this time as we are not offering the course for a Dual Credit options. It has cost TCC the regular stipend amount, which is variable between $150 to $250 per instructor to teach the course to high school counselors.

At this time we do not have the instructional material costs from the ISD’s or numbers of students enrolled in the courses.