EARN Notes

6/14/23

Opening Remarks: Bethany Warner (Bethany.warner@eku.edu)

• No July EARN. If you need anything sent out during this break (before August), we will be able to send information via the Distribution List.

Orientation Updates: Allison Bullins (<u>Allison.bullins@eku.edu</u>)

- 1250 students have attended Richmond Orientation so far (higher than average).
- Continuing trend of 200+ at Orientation.
- Regional campus's have had 39 student attend; additional 53 registered.
- 1469 registered for remaining Orientations.
- Expect July & August numbers continuing to increase.
- As of now, no plan to increase capacity; but can change if numbers increase. Will send updates as they come.
- Change of Major on Google Sheet.

Bethany: All new students are assigned to OACS until closer to the beginning of the semester. We are still referring to department. 7 days before the beginning of classes, they will be assigned.

Jasmine Nettles (jasmine.nettles@eku.edu): Living Learning Communities are mostly full; only 3 or 4 of the 14 are still open. If anyone receives questions at Orientation about LLC, send to Housing table; also at Showcase.

Summer Progress Reports & Updates: Matt Schumacher (matt.schumacher@eku.edu)

- 90% of students signed up for Orientation have been enrolled in some classes.
- 83% of them have done an advising survey.
- Working on dropping student schedules who no-showed Orientation & have not reregistered (not many students). Notes made in the Loop.
- 2,400 students that have a schedule at this point.
- <u>Summer Progress</u> Reports (8 & 12 week classes): PR's are available now. Advisors should check their students progress reports. They have been looking good!

Ask Me: Matt Schumacher:

Campus Representatives set up in different spots around campus to help students with any questions during their first weekend/week on campus!

- We will have a couple tables on Saturday & Sunday (August 12& 13). OACS staff.
- Monday & Tuesday 7:30-3:30; Wednesday 7:30-11:30.
- Business & Stratton, staff those areas.

- Main Campus locations (KJ, Science, Whitlock, etc.) Will be creating a schedule to sign up to volunteer. 2 hr. blocks, 2 people per table.
- Sending up sign up schedule end of June.
- Conferencing & Events helping to set up tents.
- Bethany & Dr. Vance working to have students help & wear T-Shirts to identify.
 - If you have any outstanding student groups/students that would be interested in volunteering, send them Bethany's way.
 - We want new students to feel comfortable, seeing other students helps to create that sense of familiarity.

EARN Planning 2023-2024: Dr. Gill Hunter (gill.hunter@eku.edu)

- The information in EARN is invaluable and is the single best resource for student success facing updates, programming, professional development.
- August, November, & February meetings will be In-Person/Hybrid (Whitlock 549).
- <u>EARN Connections Communities:</u> Once a month: Wednesdays 1:00-2:30. Calendar Invites will be sent out ahead of time.
 - Focus on planning on ways for students to connect to campus, to each other, & ways to connect us to each other and to campus.
 - Each meeting will have a theme/topic.
 - First meeting is August 30th: Onboarding Students: Time to reflect on Orientation, Big E Welcome, & discuss changes we want to make in the future to better help Onboard students.
 - Lunch before EARN Connection meeting: 12:00 at Case.
 - We will be sending these dates out soon!
 - Goal is to create a community & support group with advisors & student facing positions. This will create opportunities to be in the room with others and have sidebar conversations that you don't always have the ability to in EARN. We want this to be fun, not all work!

New Staff Introductions:

- Dr. Vance Introduces: <u>Dan Royalty (dan.royalty@eku.edu) as the new Associate Director</u> of Student Conduct.
 - Send CLASS advising questions to Ben Cook (<u>Benjamin.cook@eku.edu</u>).
- Starr Wentzel introduces: <u>Alex White (alexander.white@eku.edu) as new Coordinator for</u> <u>First Year Courses.</u>

Big E Welcome: Loni Yost (loni.yost@eku.edu)

- August 10-13th this year.
- Required program for new students (FTF & FTT<30hrs).
- Some of the larger events during the weekend, current students are invited.
- College Open Houses: Friday, August 11.
- Schedule should be set up online by July. FAQ page is already online.

- All events will be on ENGAGE platform. Student organizations are also managed through ENGAGE.
- If students can not attend Big E Welcome, or certain events, email fye@eku.edu.
- May have a volunteer all call going out later. If you want to volunteer, contact Loni.

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- Derek Good: Big E Central Update:
 - Proactively reaching out to students who have any outstanding requirements that are preventing packaging for Fall. Meeting with them at their Orientation.
 - Still running Summer and new Freshman aid packages now. Picking up Returning & Transfers beginning of July.
 - Remind students to check EKU email for any updates with packaging.
- Jasmine Nettles: Move-In Volunteer information will be going out soon through Slate first & social media. Tons of slots open, please help out if you can.

Next Meeting: August 16th- In-Person & Zoom

End Time: 10:22