McHenry County College – New Science Center
Reclaiming the American Dream: Community Colleges and the Nation’s Future

Recommendations for Reimagining the Community College: The Three R’s

• Redesign Students’ Educational Experiences
• Reinvent Institutional Roles
• Reset the System

A Report from the 21st Century Commission on the Future of Community Colleges
The Commission believes that community colleges must change their institutional characteristics as follows:

From a focus on **student access** to a focus on access and **student success**.

From **low rates** of student success to **high rates** of student success.

From **individual** faculty prerogative to **collective** responsibility for student success.

From a culture of **isolation** to a culture of **collaboration**.

From a focus on **teaching** to a focus on **learning**.
The evidence on student success in community colleges is distressing.

“Students don’t do optional.”

Almost a third (30%) of entering students do not attend orientation and most avoid online orientation;

about 90% indicate that academic planning and advising is important to them,

yet less than a third of entering students report that a college advisor helped them set academic goals and create a plan for achieving them;

and although a large majority of entering students are underprepared for college-level work, 76% never use tutoring services.
Existing Student Success Center – Black Hawk College

- Improve Wayfinding
- Acoustical Separation
- Create a Destination
- Learning Environment
Student Success Center Concept – Black Hawk College
Existing Library – Kankakee Community College
Creating Learning Space with Furnishings
MVCC 2011 Facilities Master Plan Update
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Project Purpose / Mission Statement

**Purpose**

The purpose of the Student Success Center is to create a *centralized holistic environment* that provides programs and services essential to student success, retention, and completion.

**Mission Statement**

The Student Success Center supports students in achieving their academic, personal, and career goals while facilitating their development in becoming *lifelong learners*. The Student Success Center offers *accessible, responsive, and student-centered* services that promote student success for the holistic learner.
Program Summary

- **Tutoring Center**
  - 50 to 60 Student Capacity
  - One-on-One Tutoring Space
  - Group Tutoring Space
  - Tables and Chairs / Computers
  - Small Classroom Space
  - Tutoring Coordinator Office
  - Lead Tutor Workstations
  - Storage for Materials

- **Testing Center**
  - Relocate from Building B
  - Provide Approximately 200 Stations
  - Varying Sizes / Types of Testing Rooms
  - Visibility from Proctor Workstations
  - Student Lockers
  - Coordinator’s Office
  - Secure Storage for Tests
  - Incorporate G.E.D. On-Line Testing Space
    - Facilitator’s Office
    - (2) Staff Offices / Workstations
    - (6) Computer Stations

- **Student Orientation Space**
  - Maximum Capacity of 250 / Divisible in (3) Rooms
  - Flexible Space to Accommodate Various Functions
  - Provide Storage for Furnishings

- **Honors Program**
  - Flexible Space for Diverse Programming Needs
  - Honor’s Manager Office
  - Storage

- **Veterans Resources**
  - Veterans Lounge
  - Coordinator Office

- **Student Success Office Space**
  - Dean’s Office
  - Dean’s Secretary Workstation
  - (2) Student Success Center Specialist Offices
  - (1) Counselor’s Office
  - (1) Advisor’s Office
  - Dual Credit Staff Offices
  - Conference Room
  - Work Room
  - Storage
Campus Planning Considerations

Traffic Flow / Access
Where will students come from?

Visibility / Image
How will students find the Center?

Connectivity to Other Student Service Functions
Maintain “One-Stop” concept as much as possible.

Diversity of Learning Environments
Encourage student engagement.

Continue to Enhance Campus Environment
Strengthen the Campus Green.
Space Between the Space
Existing “Student Street”
View from Entry Gate
View from Entry Gate
South View of Building G
The Campus Green
MVCC Student Success Center - First Floor Plan
First Floor Lobby
First Floor Corridor
New Student Orientation Rooms
Gymnasium Lounge / Cafe
From Building A

Existing Gymnasium Below

Vacated Fitness Center

MVCC Student Success Center
Second Floor Plan
MVCC Student Success Center
MVCC Student Success Center
Thank You…

FOSTERING STUDENT SUCCESS
Student Circulation Pathways