

## **Student Success Teams – Helping Students Navigate the** Maze Ellen Falkenstein, Eva Hutchens, Julie Starkey

## Based on a LendEDU survey, what percent of students skipped school to play Fortnite?



https://www.trustedreviews.com/news/fortnite-battle-royale-tips-3383586 Oct. 2018



#### **Fortnite Answer**

Based on the student loan platform LendEDU's survey, 35% of students have skipped school (high school/college) to play Fortnite.

20% of adults in full-time employment have skipped work to play Fortnite.



http://www.thesixthaxis.com/2018/06/27/survey-shows-people-are-spending-a-lot-of-money-on-fortnite/ Oct 2018

## **The Student Success Mindset**

"The key to student success is a deactivated Fortnite account... AND most importantly, the ability to tap into that passion."

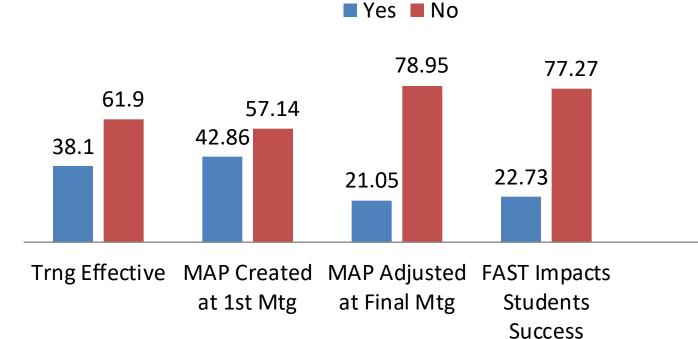
--- a colleague's signature line



# **Factors that Led to CTC Student Success Teams**

- IMPORTANT: This is a work-in-progress. Concept introduced in Fall of 2017; Limited launch in Spring of 2018.
- Pathways
- State Initiatives: 60x30, P20, and HB-2223
- Target X
- QEP: FAST (Faculty Advising Students Thriving)

## FAST Faculty Satisfaction Survey Fall 2017



**Sample Comments**: A one semester program serves no purpose; Meetings seem forced and not about what matters to students; I connect to lots of students in my class, not just those assigned through FAST; Need more information.

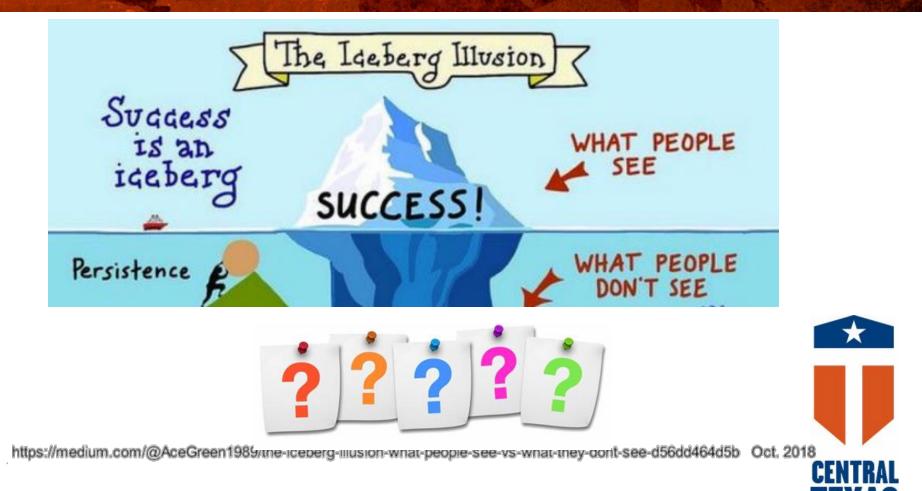


## **Basic Assumptions**

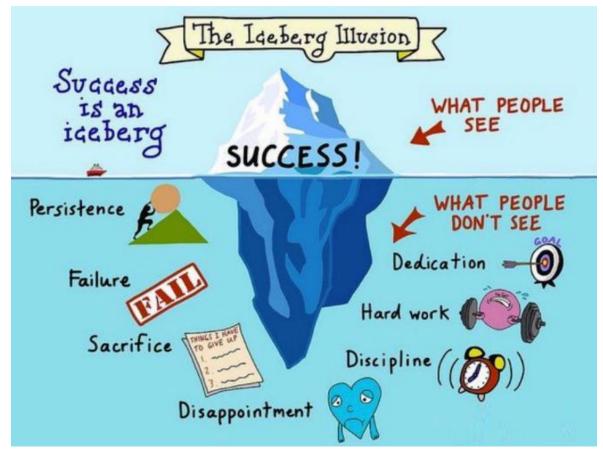
- Student Success is a shared responsibility
- Efforts should be student-centered and relationship-oriented
- Most successful initiatives have a case management focus with wrap-around services
- The ULTIMATE goal is to help students navigate their path from admissions to certificate/ degree completion leading to transfer/ employment
- This initiative must be for ALL of our students



# What do people not see on the bottom of our iceberg?



## **The Iceberg Illusion**



https://medium.com/@AceGreen1989/the-iceberg-illusion-what-people-see-vs-what-they-dont-see-d56dd464d5b Oct. 2018



## **CTC Student Success Teams**

- Five Teams
  - Academic Advisor/ Site Director
  - Student Success and Persistence
  - Dual Credit
  - Developmental Education (TSI complete in Math, Reading and Writing)
  - Academic Department

\* Open to expanding teams: Veterans, Competency-Based Education, Scholarship Students, etc



### **Buy In**

We have had excitement about our Student Success Teams

- Student Success Planning Team
- Marketing
- Trainings/ Presentations
- Academic Departments



## How can we as faculty help students stay on track?

(Faculty Focus Group Results: August, 2018)

## Case Management

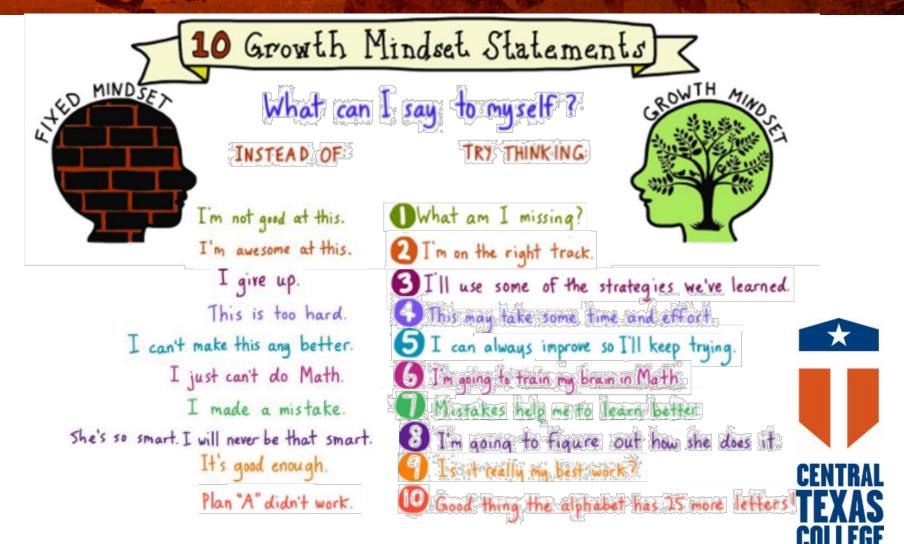
Advising

- Report when a student is going off track (Early Alert)
- Track of communication between student and SSTs for better followup(Target X)
- Participate in continuous training of SSTs so effective referrals can occur

- Present roadmaps in classes, one-on-one meetings & other dept. gatherings
- Involve academic departments in advising of incoming students and THROUGHOUT the process
- Establish strong relationships between Academic Advising and Academic Departments



## **Fixed vs. Growth Mindset**



http://bookshelfmonstrosity.blogspot.com/2017/03/books-by-theme-encouraging-growth.html Oct 2018

## **Academic Advising**

- Assign an advisor to each new student (time of admission application)
- Advisor works with student during initial enrollment and throughout time with CTC
- Advisor becomes primary member of Student Success Team



## **Academic Advising**

- Areas of focus:
  - Degree Plan and Career focus
  - –GPA during time with CTC
  - -Staying on path to graduate
  - Provide student with tools to succeed by arming them with knowledge of our services, etc.
  - -General academic/class planning and goal-setting



## **Academic Advising & SST**

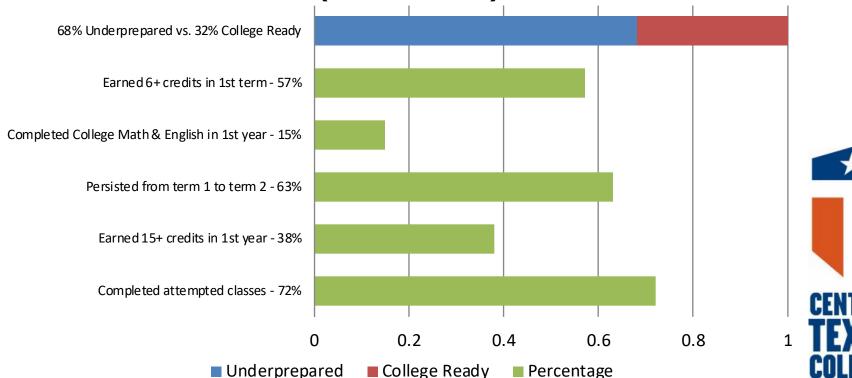
- Reach out to other members of SST, as needed
- Respond to requests from other team members, as needed
- Goal is to be proactive with student needs rather than reactive



## **Academic Advising & SST**

## Review students at identified points in college career for degree readiness

Fall 2016 First Time in College Cohort (784 Students)

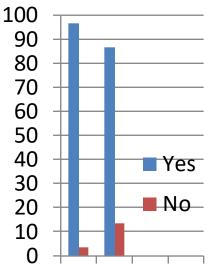


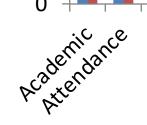
## **Student Success and Persistence**

- Referrals to Career Services: for undecided majors or students who are "second guessing" their choice
- Referrals to Academic Studio: started online tutoring- by appt, for online and off-site students
- Risk Continuum: Academic, Financial, Engagement
- Work with special cohorts of students
- Early Alerts

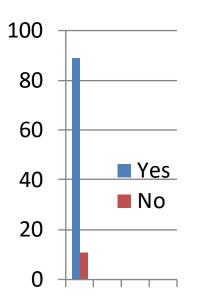
## Early Alert Survey to Faculty-Fall 2017

 Keep academic and attendance categories?





 Should Early Alerts be sent twice during a term?





## Changes Made to Early Alert Process

## <u>Reasons</u>

- Excessive Absence
- Missing Work
- Poor Quality Work
- Excessive Tardiness
- Lack of Participation
- Lack of Course Materials
- Low Test Scores
- Unsatisfactory Progress
- Tutoring Needed
- Personal Concerns
- Comments

#### <u>Process</u>

- Can be submitted at any time, but is also sent to faculty at 33% and 60% point in semester.
- Early Alerts go to all faculty, all start terms, world-wide.
- SSP triages all Early Alerts and forwards to Success Team Members. Expectation: all team members follow-up with students.
- Follow up by SSP occurs by email, eventually by text, and by meeting (depending on priority).

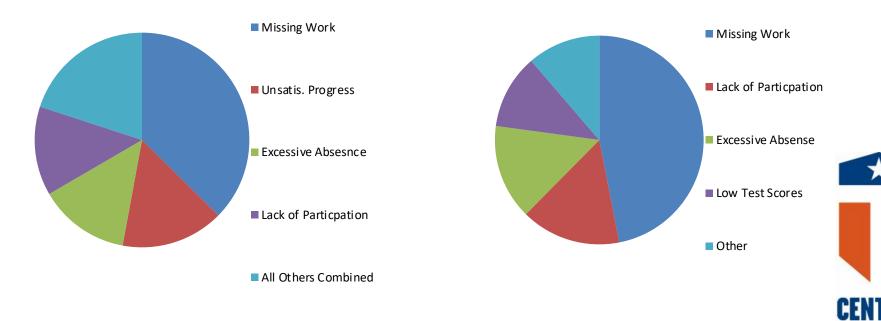




## **Issue: Missing Work**

#### Spring 2018 Early Alerts

#### Summer 2018 Early Alerts



## What Advise Should Faculty Give Students?



KEEP CALM AND TALK TO YOUR TEACHER

https://www.keepcalm-o-matic.co.uk/p/keep-calm-and-talkto-your-teacher/ Oct 2018

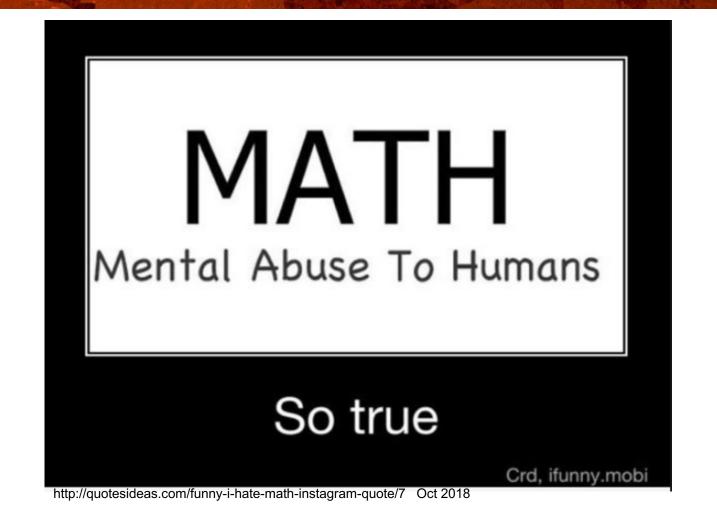


## Just Keep Calm!!





## **Developmental Mathematics**





## Developmental Mathematics Getting Started

#### For new, TSI not complete students:

- Referral to Dev. Math Faculty
- Targeted advising (degree plan, transfer/career interests)
- Detailed explanation of options
- Help with enrolling in classes



## **Developmental Mathematics Success Team Participation**

Emails to students & Referrals to Success Team/CTC resources for:

- Departmental Information
- Tutoring/workshop information
- Excessive absences
- Missing work
- Need for tutoring
- Other issues (social/economic)



## **Developmental Mathematics Success Team Participation**

## At Registration Time:

- Targeted emails to help students understand their options (NCBOs versus Co-Reqs)
- Referral for struggling students to help with options
- Invitation to TADBIT Extender Program



## **Developmental Mathematics Success Team Participation**

Course enrollment petitions:

- Advisors can refer students to Dev. Math for petition classes
- Dev. Math Team will reach out to students
- Will ensure student receives the information that they need



## **The Student Success Mindset**

Lessons we have learned:

- Student Success is a mindset
  - Start Slow (create your team & buy in)
  - Persistence
  - Don't give up



#### **The Student Success Mindset**

Important achievements require a clear focus, all-out effort, and a bottomless trunk full of strategies. Plus allies in learning.

Carol Dweck author of <u>Mindset: The</u> <u>New Psychology of Success.</u>

## FOR STUDENTS OF THE REAL WORLD