Small Group Connection

Shout outs and Kudos

College Updates
- Vaccinations – 300+ students vaccinated 4/14; 2nd vaccination 4/16 for faculty/staff/students; Additional vaccination dates are 4/26, 28, 30 for 1st doses. Last week’s campus survey with 2,000 responses showed 75% with at least 1 vaccination dose and only 6% not planning a vaccination.
- Return to Campus – Appreciation for all the efforts of departments and individuals for the plans and accommodations for returning staff; new telecommuting requests are still not open yet.
- Enrollment – Completed applications show 12% increase in-state and 10% out-of-state, with a goal for 2,300 1st year students and 515 transfer students. MSPS projects over 100 students in SPECTRA 2021 with 62 applications received with a deadline of May 28.

Second-Year Experience Survey Overview (Christine) – March survey of 1st year students with CAP on the college experience highlighted student priorities on well-being and mental health, desire for social interaction and events, more physical outdoor experiences – to be used toward planning for the 2nd year experience and Weeks of Welcome.

Departmental Updates/Announcements and end of semester plans/highlights – 4/19 SAIL Awards virtual; 4/22 Twilight Breakfast in Stern Gardens; 114 MSPS graduating seniors participating in Walk-Thru on 4/19 and 21 (Rivers Green) and 4/23 (outside Sottile); 4/29 250th wrap-up with music performances and interviews (link from Cande); student employee graduating seniors shared with Career Center their excitement for commencement, but regret missing a return to normal college experience.

Future SALT Meeting Topics/Guests/Retreats – suggestions welcome.

Reminders:
- Assessment
- Evaluations- Goals for current Year

On Going:
- Work on Division Presentation

Upcoming Meetings:
Thursday, April 22 @ 10:00 a.m.– Coach Pat Kelsey, Men’s Basketball
Thursday, April 29@10:00 a.m.