**Student Town Hall**

**July 15, 2020**

**3:00 pm**

**Updates from Dr. Buckley**

* Want to stress that our biggest focus right now is on safety
* We have about 20% of classes being offered in a face to face environment. Some may be 1 or 2 sessions as a lab, some may be full course
* Most services will continue to be offered online, there could be a limited number of services offered by appointment only. There will be plexiglass, distancing, face coverings, availability of hand sanitizer and frequent hand washing.
* If on campus, we will have specific entrance and exit, extra time to enter class, extra sanitizing.
* We are following public health guidelines. We do not want politics to influence. Want all staff, faculty and students to show support of safety
* Have seen some changes from Federal Gov’t in CARES funding distribution
	+ Last Friday had disbursement. Paid an additional almost 2900 students. Total of 1.9 million to students. Was able to give almost every enrolled student something. Excluded high school students and a handful that were already online and had no real disruption. Paid out almost 5000 total students.
* Reedley College is working as a team to address some of the injustices in our system. Working at moving us forward as a campus to address racism and bias on our campus.
	+ Have a current race matter series going on weekly. There is on more session. Would like to have students involved to share their concerns, thoughts and reactions and ways we can support them to understand what is going on and how they can support movement of Black Lives Matter and eliminating racial inequities. Please encourage other students to attend Next Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.
* Dr. Buckley has been working on making sure student voice is heard across our district. Student Leadership should encourage student participation when conversations take place.
* There will be some information on webpage with information on racial equity and ways to get involved and our college statement and commitment.
* As we get ready to launch fall semester we realize there will be students with technology needs. Our IT department will have laptops and MIFI’s to check out to students. Please look on college webpage for contact info for our IT dept.
* Changes on campus-
	+ New Math and Science building going up in the back of the campus
	+ Our new Child Development center is finally being built on our campus after 17 years of planning
	+ Fully funded the Fine and performing Arts center and hopefully will be breaking ground in about 12 months
	+ Last week we met to discuss a new proposal for a new building for Student Services

**Questions:**

* First reaction of Reedley College-Kyndall Murray
	+ Currently taking a summer school class and it has been a big change to go from Google Docs to switch over to what is used at the college. Would be good to have videos showing students how to do stuff instead of written instructions.
* Any recommendations of things that need to change
	+ Doing a zoom meeting for fall semester to show students how to use Canvas
* What is deadline to pay Health Fee?
	+ Due before school starts, but there will not be drops for non-payment
* Will DSPS office be open or remain online?
	+ If enrolled in a course in the fall, services will be provided online. It has been effective. Conducted a survey and students have preferred to remain virtual for their safety
* How do we purchase books?
	+ Can purchase online or they will be opening to allow purchasing in person with limited number of people allowed in to store at a time. As of right now doing 9 to 3 through end of July. Can call for more information. Starting in August doors will open and allow 10 at a time <https://www.reedleycollege.edu/campus-life/bookstore.html>
* There is no outlet for student to provide feedback. What if they had issue in class? Or an experience on campus, good or bad? Student link on website?
	+ - We do have to make sure feedback isn’t used during evaluation process.
		- Dr. Buckley is in favor of doing something.
* Are we seeing budget cuts in areas like EOPS, Food Pantry, etc.
	+ Right now, as a college doing voluntary work to reduce our budgets
	+ Government didn’t give us budget cuts, but gave us budget deferrals, which means they pushed back when we will get paid from the state. Which means if we don’t have money we have to borrow it.
	+ If HEROEs act passes deferrals won’t be too long, but if it does not then unsure how long deferrals will be.
	+ Will still support professional development virtually
* What type of professional developments have been taking place
	+ Online Learning-80% of our faculty were already prepared to go online as of March. The remaining were trained as well as faculty throughout the district, throughout spring and summer to make sure they were ready and trained to teach online. Have between spring and summer a total of 200-225 faculty going through certification. It’s not just moving to online, but how to teach online to offer a better learning environment.
	+ On the webpage will be some information and trainings posted
	+ There are some data coaching certifications that has been going on for faculty. Currently about 20 going through the series. Looking at data with an equity focus, and deeper look at specific populations and how to support them.
* Financial Aid information is available Monday - Friday 8 am to 5pm by phone at 559.638.0312. Sorry but I have to attend another meeting.
* Guided Pathways
	+ Redefining the student experience, crafting a specialized experience for every student.
	+ The data we can access on a student will help us to craft that experience to help meet their needs.
	+ We want to celebrate each student’s individual cultures
* How do we know what pathway they are in?
	+ In process of planning Tiger Preview—will occur before semester starts. Will give students resources and services to help make them successful. Pathways will be introduced at orientation
	+ Pathway orientations will be given after the first week of school
	+ Students will be able to see their pathways in starfish, that will be introduced at the orientation. Your success network will be viewable in Starfish as well.
	+ You will have a full success team beyond just your counselor
	+ Will be sending out mailer the week of the 24th, on the Tiger Preview.
	+ August 5th at 11:00 am. There will be a live event similar to this one with live demonstrations.
	+ Will be posting to social media and updating additional information on changes, through email, Canvas, etc. Text messaging will begin very soon
	+ Mailing should be received around the end of the month.
* Reminder... the Tiger Food pantry is open over the summer. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9am-11am.
* Will there be a meeting to introduce Starfish?
	+ It will be introduced at Tiger Preview and the pathway orientations, will also be on website.
* May need a list of definitions of items we use and how they work together
* Tuesday will be big news release on our District!
* When is the last day to register?
	+ We recommend that you register now or as early as possible
	+ You can register until the Friday before classes start
	+ If you need to register late you have until the end of the 3rd week, but the chances of being successful is slim.
	+ Having Extreme Wednesdays…one stop shop every Wednesdays to help you get registered. All done virtually. 1 to 6 pm.
* For any students who need registration assistance...we continue to have extreme Wednesdays for students which is an online one-stop shop for registration and services. <https://www.reedleycollege.edu/landing/extreme-reg.html>
* Counseling Dept. Webpage <https://www.reedleycollege.edu/student-services/counseling/index.html>
* Will there be a 3rd waive of CARES funding?
	+ We don’t have much information yet. Keep an eye on the website and financial aid site <https://www.reedleycollege.edu/admissions-aid/financial-aid/index.html> -
* Will there be more town halls in the fall?
	+ Yes
* Can we get information on Mental Health services?
	+ Psych services is offering services through zoom can make an appt.
	+ Been having listening sessions as well
	+ Website for <https://www.reedleycollege.edu/campus-life/health-services/psychological-services.html>
* There is a COVID workgroup working on things for campus in the fall. What kind of rules will there be for students on campus
	+ Campus is not closed, it is partially open in fall
	+ We are still working on what will be open for students to use WIFI while being socially distant
	+ Looking to expand the reach of our Wi-Fi and purchase more technology to loan to students