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Intro to Connections

Welcome to the all-new BC "Connections" Newsletter, your monthly resource for bite sized **ATD/Guided Pathways** updates! This month, shout-outs go to:

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Early Alert faculty, student support staff, Peer Educators, International Education and Workforce Education

Early Alert is one of the Integrated Students Supports workgroup's key components. Early Alert provides outreach and support to students who are demonstrating academic difficulty in their classes.

The Integrated Student Supports outreach program could not exist without the dedicated work of the **faculty** who submit the alerts and the **student support staff** and **Peer Educators** who do the outreach!

A special thanks and shout out goes to :

The Student Success & Retention Peer Educators *Greyson Brooks*, *Lerato Mphahlele, Carmen Pintilie, and Zac Yu* for supporting hundreds of students this academic year. Big thanks also go to our friends in International Education and Workforce Education for their partnership and support of outreach calls for Early Alert. Lastly to the over 160 faculty who have submitted over 860 Early Alerts for this academic year. Your care and attention to the needs of your students is truly amazing and appreciated. Holistic support is seeing the students, validating their needs, and taking action to help. This work could not continue with out you and we are so grateful.

By the 3rd week of Winter 2023 quarter, I called a student that sounded extremely overwhelmed by personal challenges and concerns, which heavily impacted the student's academic performance. I provided the student with BC's free of charge tutoring services information and submitted a "Care" report. The student was promptly contacted by the "Care" team and was provided with a case manager. The student shortly started making significant progress school-wise. The student was grateful for having a peer educator listening to and encouraging him, also timely providing him with the necessary resources.

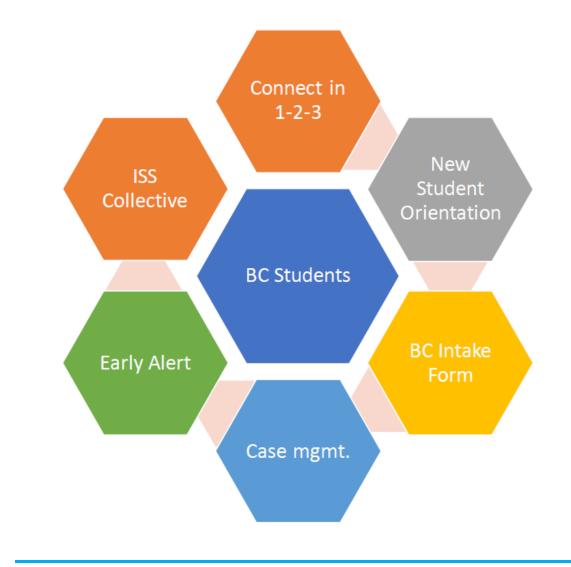
--- Carmen Pintilie, SS&R Peer Educator(2023)



ATD Resources

What is ATD?

ATD or "Achieving the Dream" is a national framework for improving its student success initiatives which Bellevue College adopted and made their own as **Guided Pathways**. To learn more about BC's Approach to ATD, including information on our "Bulldog Trail", the BC's Guided Pathways model, and other workgroups YOU can become a part of, browse BC's ATD Homepage.



May Highlights

Integrated Student Supports

What is the Integrated Student Supports?

The <u>Integrated Student Supports Workgroup</u> is focused on identifying and developing transformational, student-centered opportunities across campus and removing barriers to close the equity gap. ISS is focused on the following priorities this academic year:

• New Student Orientation (NSO) is getting a make-over! We have long known that mandatory NSO is a best practice for ensuring student success. While logistics are still being worked out, the processes for updating NSO are underway! In the coming months NSO will transition to being fully online via Canvas and will contain important information regarding campus resources, processes, and policies for all new students to learn. At the end of the Canvas NSO students will be

prompted to fill out an Intake Form so we have a better understanding of what their needs and interests are while at BC. Once the Intake Form is completed, students who are enrolled at BC to complete a degree or certificate program will be sent an invitation to attend a mandatory New Student Enrollment session where they will receive support navigating the ctcLink enrollment system and will have guidance from New Student Advisors. This new process is slated to have a soft-launch Summer 2023 with a scale up for Winter 2024 enrollment. Stay tuned for more details in the coming months! To view our current processes please go to:

New Student Orientation (NSO) :: Academic Advising

 The Connect in 1-2-3 new student onboarding process will also be updated to include more detailed and clear steps as they start their time at Bellevue College. Collaborations with the Welcome Center, Enrollment Services, Financial Aid, Placement & Testing, and Academic Advising will ensure that new students are provided with wrap-around support and guidance as they matriculate at Bellevue College.

For more information and to stay up to date with all work teams, check out **ATD Milestones**!

How to Get Involved

We want you to be a part of student success!

- To learn more about this volume's highlighted work team, connect with <u>MelissaE Martinez</u>, ATD's Core Co-Leads
- **To attend** one of our ATD Core meetings held on the second Monday of every month from 3-4pm:

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 To connect an employee or student to the work, email us at <u>atdcomm@bellevuecollege.edu</u>.



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