Early College High School Program
Joint CCAO-CSSAO Meeting
May 31, 2017
• Early College Task Force (“ECTF”):
  • Established in 2014
  • Comprised of representatives from most UH campuses, 4 high school principals, 1 complex area superintendent, 1 representative from HIDOE OCISS, & the CTE State Director

• Tasks completed by ECTF:
  • Defined various accelerated learning programs in Hawai‘i
  • Researched different models of delivery and funding in other states
  • Supported the revision of the Running Start legislation (HRS §302A-401 and HRS §304A-803) to include all dual credit programs and request for legislative funding. (Revisions approved during 2015 legislative session, but no funding was allocated.)
• Early College High School Program:
  • Between 2014 and 2017, 12 high schools participated in ECHS program and offered 139 Early College classes that served more than 1,530 students.
  • In addition, early college classes have been offered at approximately 25 other high schools through a variety of other funding sources (e.g. Kamehameha Schools, GEAR UP Hawai‘i, Title III, McInery Foundation etc.)
  • Varied payment terms ranging from instructor cost plus an administrative fee to pre-negotiated rates (e.g. $6,000 per 3 credit course) to a tuition-based structure
  • Mostly taught by UH faculty
2017 legislative session – support for Early College requested:
- HIDOE’s budget request: $3 million for FY17-18 and $6 million for FY18-19 for “tuition”
- UH’s budget request: 4 positions

Result of 2017 legislative session:
- HIDOE received: $1 million for FY17-18 and $1 million for FY18-19
- UH positions: Not funded

Current staff support provided by Hawai‘i P-20 (funded by GEAR UP Hawai‘i)
Early College - Purpose and Funding Assumptions

• **Purpose:**
  - We need to encourage more high school students to enroll in college
  - We want students to be prepared for college-level coursework
  - We need to close the achievement gap
  - **Goal:** Every high school senior in Hawai‘i will graduate high school with 6 college credits

• **Funding Assumptions:**
  - Families do not pay
  - Both high schools and colleges need “skin in the game:”
    - High school pays a percent of the cost of the course
    - College charges only $6,000 per 3 credit course and $8,000 per 4 credit course
Areas Currently Being Addressed

1. Standardized MOA between UH and HIDOE
2. Title IX and related issues (e.g. student conduct, grievance, training, etc.)

Hawai'i P-20 has been facilitating discussions between HIDOE and UH around these topics.
Future Areas to Address

1. Processes/procedures that could be standardized across campuses: application process, health clearance, transcript, coding, and data collection

2. Topics that may be of interest to all campuses: faculty training, counseling, NACEP accreditation, and using HS teachers as Early College faculty

3. Best practices and information sharing
How to Facilitate Future Discussions

1. Set up a task group to identify common areas that need to be addressed

2. Gather subgroups of UH representatives to address/discuss each specific topic areas (e.g. registrars’ group to address coding and transcript issue, centralized admission task group to address application process, etc.)

3. Develop recommendations on policy/processes/procedures and share with CCAO and CSSAO

4. Coordinate annual meeting to share best practices