2021 NROC Member Celebration

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Say hello to everyone in the chat.

Be prepared to share video in our breakouts or anytime throughout!
Against a backdrop of competing priorities, you’re charged with providing a high-quality education to the learners you serve. And over and over again, you rise to that challenge.
Celebrating YOU!

- Collaborating on our shared mission
- Showcasing YOUR innovations
- Embracing student-centered practices
- Partnering for impact

Meeting learners where they are...
Breakouts: Connect and Share

Round 1: Reflecting back

Round 2: Looking ahead

Capture highlights here: https://padlet.com/trowenhorst1/2gk2t8446gl01zg7
Asking the Right Questions

What do we ditch?
What do we keep?
What did we miss?
What can we improve upon?
Who is being left out?

How do we use/leverage a shared cultural experience in a way to foster connection and facilitate learning?

Who is thriving/surviving/struggling?

From Jon Fila in Fall 2020 NROC Webinar
2021 NROC Awards

- Pioneer Award
- Contributor of the Year
- Individual Ambassador of the Year
- Ambassador Team of the Year
  - Everyday Heroes
Career Achievement for Commitment to Student Success

Spirit of collaboration

System-wide leadership in new approaches to placement and review

Generosity in sharing with the NROC Community and beyond at webinars, conferences and more

Webinar on NCCCS RISE

Learn more about Susan’s retirement project at: http://www.cakeforkidscambodia.org/.
Expanding College Opportunity

Demonstrating the power of partnership

Student-centric

Trusted intermediary for secondary and postsecondary leaders

Professional, inspirational, and always willing to share

Recent Webinar Overview
with extraordinary program directors
Dr. Kristyn Edney and Timi Creekmore
Supporting New Technologies

Trusted advisor on secondary issues - MTSS pilots and more

Model for implementation support in educational service agencies

Active contributor to annual Member Meeting and planning

Sharing at regional and national conferences

Including bookending the disrupted year @ DLAC 2020 and 2021
Scaling Holistic Placement: A Low-Stakes Alternative

Modeling effective scaling strategies in an unprecedented time frame

Generous sharing at regional and national conferences

Sharing strategies, scopes and supports with other members

Spirit of innovation continues with emerging LevelUp program

Recent Webinar on Multiple Measures with Gwenn Eldridge and Jessica Huffman
Read more on their approach.
People’s Choice Awards: 2021 Everyday Heroes

Melissa Reid - Mathematics Program Chair
[Melissa is a dedicated educator, chair, coworker, and a passionate advocate for developmental math students. Beyond training local teachers in effective classroom strategies, she has traveled across NC to share the impact of the NROC developmental math curriculum and enhance it with innovative and creative ideas so that students will achieve the greatest degree of success as they build foundational math skills. Melissa meets with students via Zoom, teaches a large group, participates in committees, volunteers her time to schoolwide initiatives, and still manages to take care of 4 children. She is a true everyday hero and I'm proud to call her 'Friend.']

Warren Strickland, High School Pre-Advanced Placement English Teacher
[Mr. Strickland has a very cool and calm demeanor. His low-key nature is actually a silent strength when it comes to motivating the students and helping them to focus on their personal success. He has leveraged the NROC platform, to demonstrate the power of tracking student progress to ensure learners spend adequate study time to reach personal and collegiate wide goals. He is definitely a hero on our campus and should be recognized.]

Virg Hale, Ambassador
[Virg has brought the NROC resources through EdReady Montana to hundreds of schools, teachers, and students. She trains and supports them in how to use it and tracks them to be sure they make the most of it along the way. She is a tireless champion of all the ways it can be used to learn.]

Amy Russ, Lead Instructor for Transition and Co-requisite English
[Amy quickly adjusted her courses for online delivery at the beginning of the pandemic and has maintained hybrid and HyFlex options for students through the present. In this challenging year, she forged new paths to differentiated instruction, content support, and technical assistance. Amy provided leadership and coaching for part-time faculty as they learned the nuances of the NROC system and made their own online and hybrid transitions. Amy maintains a positive, encouraging attitude and stays focused on student success, despite any obstacles. She models the 'open-door' philosophy of the community college and her commitment and leadership helps our college keep that door open for hundreds of students every year.]

Rebecca Bartlett, English Instructor
[Rebecca strives to meet students wherever they are on their academic journey. She works to build community and inclusivity in the classroom and incorporates active learning principles. She generously shares feedback to improve NROC resources based on classroom experiences designed to improve academic writing and reading skills. She shares her teaching philosophy this way: 'Students learn better when they feel a sense of security, a sense of community, a sense that at least some of their basic needs are being met, and a sense of trust. I work to bridge students' knowledge with the next new thing, to make connections, and expand their thinking. It all starts with respect - by treating each student as an equal partner on their learning journey.']

Selenea Moore-Allen, Dakota Promise Academic Specialist Coach
[Selenea has consistently gone above and beyond to provide academic and basic skills support for students transitioning from high school to college. She stepped up efforts to help students manage through personal and college difficulties during the pandemic. With an uncanny ability to help students who feel they "can't do math," Selenea has found several ways to use EdReady to allow students to realize their dreams.]

Londa Pickett, Director College Transition Center
[Londa is the most positive person students could meet when they enter the center to begin Transition courses or when they nervously come to take their placement assessment. Always available to support students, faculty, and advisors, Londa has led numerous state and national workshops sharing how a positive atmosphere, supportive faculty, and growth mindset (including EdReady) are keys to retention, success, and completion for ALL students. Londa is an extraordinary educator, leader, and human being!]

Joanie Aldridge, Vance County High School Mathematics Teacher
[Ms. Aldridge was the G.O.A.T. for our district's CCRG classes that used the EdReady platform. Not only did she do extensive work with instructional planning for students]

Tina Aguilar, English Professor
[Ms. Aguilar has provided great enthusiasm and drive to strategically employ EdReady. Her leadership, step-by-step directions, and support have aided the team in our efforts to assist, structure, and support our students so that they can grow by leaps and bounds. She shares what she learns and reminds our students to engage with the program to increase their]
Special thanks to the Ambassadors who helped plan and facilitate today’s session:

Neda Anasseri, OTAN
Amanda Beyer, NWAEA
Gwenn Eldridge, Ivy Tech
Jason Neiffer, EdReady MT
Jon Fila, ISD 287
Penny Pearson, OTAN

And the dynamic duo from Rowan Cabarrus:
Jenny Billings & Melissa Reid
We cultivate relationships that empower an ever-increasing number of learners to take charge of their academic journeys.