

# Energize Your Concurrent Enrollment Program through Accreditation



**ONE ACCREDITATION CYCLE IN REVIEW**

**JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
COLLEGE NOW**

# About Johnson County and JCCC



JCCC is located in Overland Park, Kansas

Johnson County is a suburb of the Kansas City, Missouri metropolitan area

Johnson County residents: 34 percent hold bachelors degrees, 17 percent masters

93 percent of high school students plan to attend a post secondary institution after high school

Close to 20,000 credit students fall 2014

50 degree and certificate programs

1,014 full time faculty and staff

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# College Now basics



- Established in 1984
- Service area: one county and a portion of neighboring county
- Accredited by NACEP in 2006/2013

## The numbers

- 3,600 students
- 341 instructors
- 27 partner high schools

# Kansas CEP policies



- Principals signature required (no GPA requirement)
- Remedial/developmental classes prohibited for CEP
- Career/Tech CEP classes tuition~waived

# Benefits to our program because of NACEP



- ✓ Alignment with national standards
- ✓ External input and review of program
- ✓ Improved tracking of all aspects of program
- ✓ Additional research (impact study)
- ✓ Assistance with transferability of credits
- ✓ More “muscle” when dealing with policy change implementation w/secondary partners
- ✓ Collegial interaction for support and problem solving
- ✓ Near 100 percent instructor compliance with College Now policies (also thanks to a small stipend implemented along with accreditation).

## Ways our program has been energized through this process



- Professional development revamped
- Communication with instructors/high schools enhanced
- High school discipline-specific liaisons added
- Strengthened relationship with HS counselors
- Improved site visit form/syllabus checklist
- Better ability to deal with campus critics
- Reaching the student in the middle

# Site Visit Form



- The form presents questions that are guided by NACEP standards.
- We pulled ideas for this revamped form from others at NACEP conferences.
- The instructors always receive a copy of the comments.
- We track site visits in our office for the liaisons so they know who to visit the following semester or year.

# Syllabus Checklist



- The instructor syllabi are carefully reviewed each semester by our faculty liaison.
- The checklist ensures that all of the instructors and faculty liaison understand the criteria being reviewed.
- Feedback on the checklist provides opportunity for both positive as well as constructive comments.
- Copies of the checklist show progress from year to year.



# Our website



[www.jccc.edu/collegenow](http://www.jccc.edu/collegenow)

This is a how-to for anyone wanting to establish roles for instructors, liaisons, building administrators, institutions, and form other policies.

Most of what we do is on our website and if it is not found there we will send it your way.

NACEP has been so beneficial to our program, we want to help other programs as they move forward with their alignment process!

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