

# Cortland Area High School Principals Meeting Tuesday, March 11, 2014

#### **Précis**

#### **Updates**

- SED February Update March Update
- There was a question about when there would be a 9<sup>th</sup> grade social studies Regents exam. The answer is that there will not be one. Only year 2 of Global will be tested with a Regents exam (which won't change until 2018 or 2019).

### **Meeting Topics**

- Early College (Victoria Zeppelin) handouts
  - Initiative is being funded by a grant to encourage more students to enter STEM careers.
  - Co-Ser is through TST BOCES
  - o Intended for students that have an interest in STEM job fields
    - Students would need to currently possess college ready skills
    - Interference from a life circumstance
      - Causes poor or irregular attendance
      - Uncharacteristic Grades
      - Lack of interest in school
    - Districts would need to select students carefully
    - Criteria for selecting students:
      - 100 level course ready
      - Some remedial courses will be available to students
      - English skills would need to be college ready (100 level or above)
      - Must be able to handle reading and comprehending college level textbooks
      - TC3 is willing to be flexible with students and offer some online courses

### National Student Clearinghouse (Deb Wood)

- All files are available in both Excel and .CSE formats
- o Uses:
  - Evaluating district programs
  - Identifying enrollment gaps
  - Explore aspirational gaps
  - Create a profile of a regional college graduate
- Secondary Sources of student post-graduation achievement
  - NYS publishes L2RPT post-secondary reports
- Help Resources:
  - www.nationalstudentclearinghouse.org
  - District designated Data Coordinator

## • CTE Update

- National Honor Society inductions for CTE students is approaching
- Gathered principal contact information in case CTE administrators need to contact home districts
- External Review of CTE programs is quickly approaching and was looking to recruit teachers to help with this process.

#### Roundtable

- Cortland Administrative team asked about beginning discussions to have students begin CTE programs earlier. Stated they are having trouble retaining students until junior year.
- Cortland is going to be adopting a PBL team model in 8th grade similar to ESM STREAM Team
- Cortland is also considering attaching a lab to their math and ELA classes similar to a science class.

## **Future meetings (and locations)**

May 13, 2014, McEvoy Room 701, Cortland