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November 15th, 2024, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

The November 15th, 2024, Math Pathways Professional Development session was called to order by Whitney Turner at 2:00 p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT: 27 Institutions were represented. See page 4 for attendee list.

Welcome (Whitney Turner, Associate Professor)

Whitney Turner welcomed attendees and introduced Dr. Kathleen Almy, CEO of Almy Education, who presented on "Making Math Corequisites Work for You and Your Students."

Making Math Corequisites Work for You and Your Students

Dr. Almy opened by soliciting participants' goals for the session and addressed a common question about pathways for undecided students. She recommended non-STEM options, such as Statistics or Quantitative Reasoning, citing her dissertation research. Dr. Almy emphasized that:

- Corequisite courses should be flexible yet intentional.
- These courses provide student support, not additional teaching.

Dr. Kathleen Almy emphasized best practices for implementing corequisite courses, tailoring strategies for both STEM and non-STEM pathways. For non-STEM courses, she recommended two hours of just-in-time support with the same instructor, ideally scheduled after the main course, to focus on applying skills to college-level content. For STEM pathways, she highlighted the importance of limiting enrollment to students needing College Algebra or Precalculus, providing support before the main course, cohorted groups, and using tools like bootcamps or software for algebra remediation. Across both pathways, Dr. Almy advocated for a backwards design approach, which prioritizes essential course objectives, critical prerequisite skills, and well-aligned assessments to inform support content.

Building effective corequisite content relies on Dr. Almy's three pillars: prerequisite skills, student success tools, and college-level content support. She illustrated these principles through the successful model of Math Literacy, a developmental course featuring faculty-driven, tested content, active learning, technology integration, and relevant problem-solving applications. To help structure class periods, Dr. Almy introduced a five-step classroom implementation template: assess student needs, reteach prerequisite skills, equip students with success strategies, scaffold bridge problems, and apply college-level content. Participants learned about revising courses through backward design. Further, they learned about planning corequisite class periods that address student needs, reinforce essential skills, and effectively integrate success strategies.

Closing and Adjournment

Whitney Turner thanked Dr. Almy for her insights and reminded participants of the next professional development opportunity in December. For further questions, participants can contact Dr. Kathleen Almy at almy@almyeducation.com. The meeting concluded at 4:00 p.m.

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Robert Zavala	Butler Community College
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