# Westview High School Summer Program

Equitable – Collaborative - Standards Based

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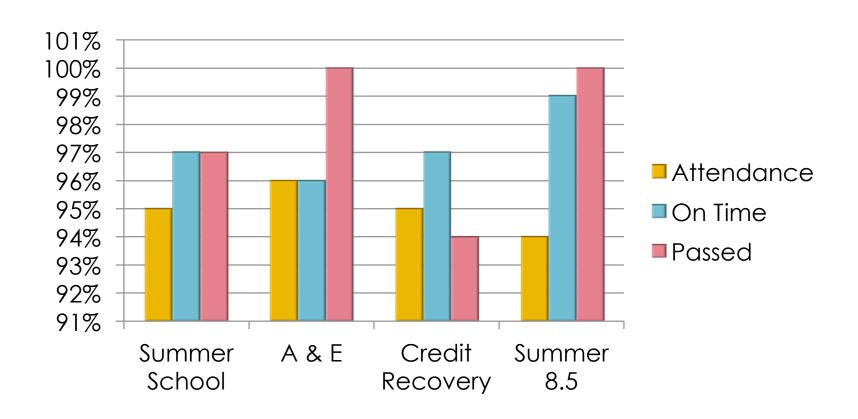
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## Agenda

- ☐ The Story
- The Vision
- The Programs
- Nuts & Bolts
- Program evaluation Data
- Moving Forward
- □ Going "Global"
- Q & A

### Summer Program Outcomes



## The Story

- Increasing requirements
- Dwindling resources
- Creating hope for students
- Prevention
- Regional Needs Assessment
- Administrative collaboration

### Summer 8.5

Transition support for incoming Freshman

#### Summer 8.5

- Create an academic and social bridge between 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- Focus on 9<sup>th</sup> grade academic and behavioral learning targets
- Build positive relationships
  - With other student leaders
  - With staff
  - With the school and its culture
- Connect

#### Using Data to Develop Your Program

#### 8.5

- 8<sup>th</sup> grade OAKS
- ☐ Grades (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Attendance
- Counselor Feedback

## Curriculum & Credits 8.5

#### Curriculum

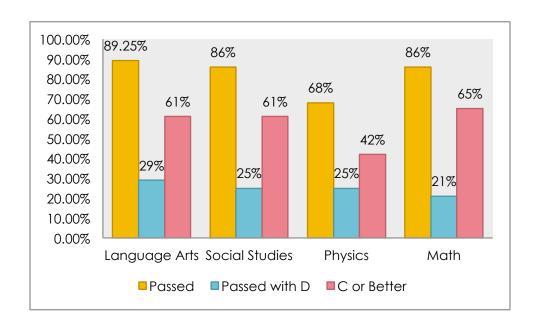
- Emphasis on BSD Secondary behavior learning targets:
  - BLT 1: Managing responsibilities
  - BLT 2: Self Direction
  - BLT 3: Communication and working effectively in a group
- Academic targets:
  - Speaking (SS)
  - Writing process (LA)
- How to be a student at Westview

#### Credits

- 1.0 Elective Credit
- Pass/Fail
- Allowed space for intervention during the school year (additional study hall)

#### 8.5 Data – First Semester

□ Grade Data for first semester – Students in 8.5



## Credit Recovery Redefined

"Skill Recovery" development intended to address the cycle of failure for our students who are not on target to graduate

## Credit Recovery Looking Forward, Not Back

- Redefining Credit Recovery
  - What does credit recovery mean to us?
- Who are our students?
- What do they need?
- Using past intervention experience and data to develop our program
- Equitable, Standards Based, Collaborative

#### Using Data to Develop Your Program

#### Credit Recovery

- Transcripts
- Counselor Grad Checks
- Semester Grade reports
- Progress Reports

## Curriculum & Credits Credit Recovery

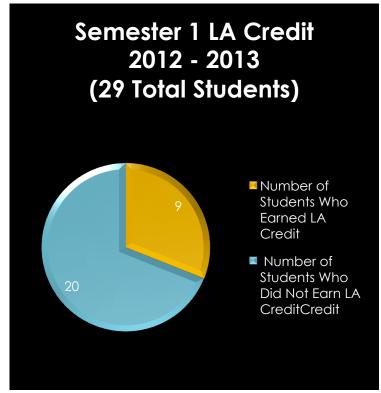
#### Curriculum

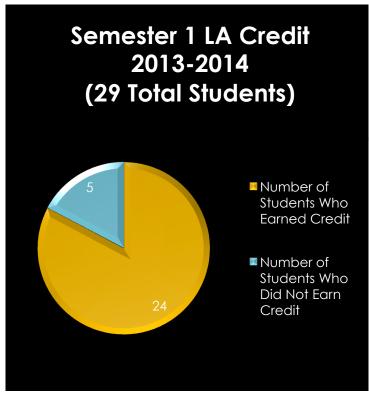
- How we chose our offerings
- Most essential Learning Targets for each subject area
- Determined by the teacher and his/her department
- □ Targets were chosen "looking forward"

#### Credits

- Why Pass/Fail?
- The Grade Replacement Conversation
- .5 for each class with the opportunity to earn 1.0 for the summer
- "Physics CR P .5"

### Credit Recovery Data





These charts represent the number of Language Arts credits earned by 11th and 12th grade CR participants, first semester of 2012-2013 (before intervention) compared to credits earned semester 1 of 2013-2014 (after Summer School credit recovery).

#### Acceleration & Enrichment

Creating learning opportunities for students at all levels, and developing an culture of year-round learning

#### Acceleration & Enrichment

- □ The "Win-Win" Concept
  - Offer learning opportunities that our students are accessing elsewhere.
  - Offer them with OUR learning targets and our standards so that they could earn credit where applicable, and accelerate when earned

- Acceleration
  - Geometry
  - Advanced Algebra II
- Enrichment
  - ACT/SAT Test Prep
  - Pre AP Writing
  - College App Essay Writing

## Curriculum & Credits Acceleration & Enrichment

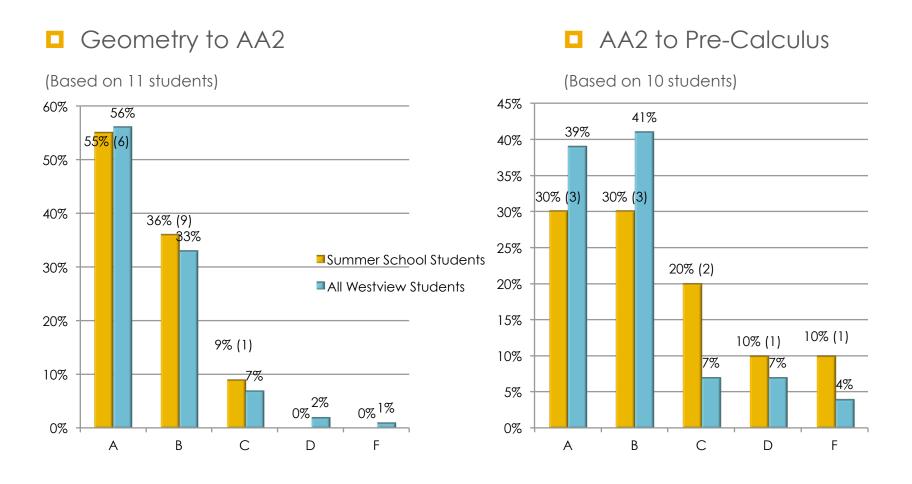
#### Curriculum

- Acceleration
  - Why APEX?
  - Why Geo & AA2?
  - Why not Health/PE?
- Enrichment
  - SAT
  - Pre-AP

#### Credits

- Acceleration
  - First time credit only
  - 1.0 A-F
  - Must be transcripted
- Enrichment
  - Pre-AP .5 P/F
  - SAT No credit

#### A & E Grade Distribution



## Nuts & Bolts



## Finding and Hiring " "The Dream Team"

- Finding the "right" people
- The HR Conversation Paying teachers
- Staffing for each program
- Classified help before, during, after
- Substitutes

### Logistical Considerations

- Tools & Services
  - Technology
    - District online education specialist?
  - Facilities
  - Food Services
  - Custodial
  - Transportation

#### Marketing & Communication— Getting the Word Out

- Curriculum Night
- Newsletter
- Website
- Voicemail

- Postcards
- Autodialer
- Class visits
- Middle Schools

### \$ Money \$

- Different costs for different classes
  - Staff
  - Plan Time
  - Credit/non-credit
  - Length of course
- Money Management
  - Who handles the money?
  - Refund Policy
  - End of fiscal year

### Going District-Wide

- Loose vs Tight
- Considerations for expansion
  - Money
  - Credits
  - Curriculum
  - Options

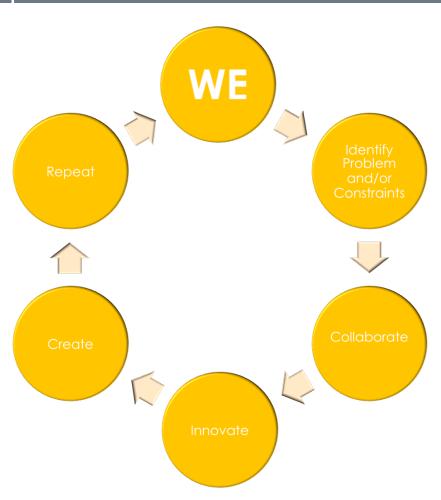
### Key Elements For Success

"The goal is to transform data into information, and information into insight."

**Carly Fiorina** 

#### Westview Summer School 2013 Identify, Collaborate, Innovate, Create, Repeat.

- Identify the gap
- Collaborate
- Innovate Create an exciting and "idealistic" vision
  - Summer 8.5
- Identify your constraints
- Create solutions
  - Acceleration & Enrichment
- Collaborate Invite school and district leadership to the conversation
- Identify...Collaborate..... Innovate....Create....Repeat



#### Administrative Role

- Support the Vision
- Ask the hard questions
- Keeping focus on the big picture
- Find ways to say YES
- Provide essential guidance
- Make room for the "work"



WE EXPECT EXCELLENCE
WE INNOVATE
WE EMBRACE EQUITY
WE COLLABORATE

#### The Students

■ Video: Westview Summer Program 2013

#### Questions and Answers



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