

Edmonds Community College's Commendations and Recommendations from the Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report Visit, Spring 2017

Commendations

1. The committee commends the college for its emphasis on reinforcing its core value of diversity, inclusion and respect through multiple institutional actions.
2. The committee commends the faculty, staff, and administration for the strong commitment to student achievement, experience, and success.
3. The committee commends the library personnel for the productive and engaging relationships they have forged with faculty and students in support of student success.
4. The committee commends the EDCC faculty on their extensive use of High Impact Practices, including the Service Learning Program, Undergraduate Research, the Honors Program, and many other programs. Such practices appear to have had visible impacts on student learning outcomes and teaching practices. Equally noteworthy is the impact these programs have had on their communities. The partnerships between faculty, local business, and community organizations are exemplary.
5. The committee commends the instructional faculty for their commitment to excellence in the classroom, through distance education, and outside the classroom with the promotion of student research, competitions, and hands-on activities.
6. The committee commends the college for its collaborative efforts to achieve the strategic goals of student access, progression, and improved experience. Examples include significant student and administrative partnerships, weekly instruction and students services leaders meetings, integrated representation on Strategic Councils, joint student services and instructional leadership for Guided Pathways planning, and shared ownership of the Strategic Enrollment Management plan.
7. The committee commends Edmonds Community College employees for their commitment to respect for one another, their communities, and their students.

Recommendations

1. While the committee recognizes that the College has a strong commitment to continuous improvement, and is creating a strong culture of evidence, the committee recommends that core theme planning be defined by the collection of appropriately defined data that are analyzed and used to evaluate the accomplishment of core theme objectives and the achievement of the intended outcomes (Standard 3.B.3).