

SUCCESS CENTER SCOOP

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This Week's Scoop: Early Alert

by Dr. Russell Baker

We are excited to partner with Advising Services in the Early Alert Process. Many students contacted by advisors are referred to the Success Center mainly for course tutoring, academic coaching and technical issues that arise from various digital learning platforms. We are currently working on improving the “handoff” from the academic advisor to Success Center staff. However, as two departments in different divisions, the communication loop, functional roles and system design of an Early Alert program has been difficult to establish at no fault to past or present administrators or staff. Quite simply, an Early Alert system is not an “add-on” service. We will continue to move forward in our attempt to make interventions based off early alerts a vital part of the institutional culture.

By the Numbers: Success Center Usage

Success Center Usage Date (2/10 to 2/14)	
Academic Lab Total Visits:	207
Unique Students:	133
Tutoring Visits:	28
Workshops Attendance:	0

Upcoming Success Center Events: Workshops



Yokum's Yaks: APA 7th Edition

by Edna Yokum, Director of Behavioral Sciences/Anthropology & Sociology Instructor

Drum roll please....There is a new edition of APA! The 7th edition was released in October 2019 and some instructors on our campus are now requiring its use for their assignments. This is exciting news but could lead to some discrepancies between tutoring here at the Success Center and faculty grading the submitted papers. Mainly, what edition will faculty be checking for when grading student work? If unstated in the assignment, we will be encouraging students to reach out to the faculty member because there are some major changes between the 6th and 7th edition. For example, the running head is simplified, which is usually a major "finding" when grading for APA formatting. Also, the 7th edition changes citation styles for authors for in-text AND reference page citations. The 7th edition also includes guidelines for emojis and hashtags, the use of gender-neutral pronouns, and more! #inclusivity #equityinwriting #APA7thedition #citingislife #SSC #yokumsyaks #writing #researchpapers #SSCworkshops #collegewriting #APA #HSI #areyoustillreadingthesehashtags The Success Center will be creating a workshop about the changes and guidelines for students in the near future. Watch for an announcement in the next Yokum's Yaks.#goals

Guest Columnist: Nika Najafova

by Nika Najafova, Interim Director of Advising Services

The primary goal of the Advising Services team is to provide students with tools and resources to have a successful experience at ENMU-Roswell. As part of our institution wide efforts to increase student retention and success, we have revamped our Early Alert system to identify at-risk students and provide proactive intervention to improve retention and graduation rates. The objective of the Early Alert system is to provide individual support to students and assist in developing a success plan that aids in overcoming barriers to academic success. Our goal is to provide an effective intervention strategy by reaching out to students that are referred to the Early Alert system by faculty. The Success Center is an important teammate in our efforts to resolve Early Alerts in a successful manner. The Advising Services works closely with Success Center staff to provide workshops, address student referrals, and make tutoring referrals. Advising Services co-sponsors and provides staffing for the Midterm and Finals events as well. We are excited to continue working the Success Center to enhance student experience at ENMU-Roswell and continue providing support to our students.

