

PLANNING FOR CHANGE
AND GROWTH IN
MONTANA'S TWO-YEAR
COLLEGES AND PROGRAMS

The MOA Planning Year

VISION

Montana will develop and promote a system of two-year colleges encompassing the comprehensive community college mission and that system will extend the mission to all corners of the state.

GOALS

~ IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

- Coordinate
- Promote
- Extend

MOA PRIORITIES

- Align resources to serve more students
- Increase efficiency and cost-effectiveness of programs and operations
- Reward institutions for graduating students (productivity), not just enrolling them

PLANNING YEAR FOCUS #1

~*SELF-ASSESSMENT*

- Ia) Student flow analysis
- Ib) Policy audit
- Ic) Asset-mapping through appreciative inquiry
- Id) Focus groups with key constituencies
- Ie) Identification of metrics

PLANNING YEAR FOCUS #2

~SCALING BEST PRACTICES

- 2a) Dual enrollment
- 2b) Common course-numbering of AAS, CAS programs
- 2c) “Major thoroughfares” for transfer
- 2d) Rapid Response Initiative for re-employment

PLANNING YEAR FOCUS #3

~DEVELOPING EXTENSION PROTOTYPES

- 3a) Identification of high access/high quality
“portable” programs
- 3b) Development of collaborative protocols
- 3c) Pilot extension High-Access Dual Enrollment

PLANNING YEAR FOCUS #4

~BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER

- 4a) Synthesis of learnings from activities in Focus Areas I-3
- 4b) Creating an OCHE portal to the 2-year college network