

2015-2016

Making early alert referrals and meeting with advisees in a timely manner can result in retention and academic success. **The Advocate is for Academic referrals only.** All other referrals (death, crisis, etc.) should be sent to Fonda Porter via email or phone.

Academic Advisors are responsible for conducing focus meetings (interventions) for each advisee referral in a timely fashion (same week as case opened) and must enter follow-up information into The Advocate system via the campus portal.

Cases appear ignored by the advisor unless notes and status updates are made.

#### To SUBMIT a referral:

- 1. **Log in** to the portal
- 2. Click "My Students"
- 3. Select the student's class using the "Select List" dropdown
- 4. Click on student name
- 5. Click "Student Risk"
- 6. Click "Add New Student Risk"
- 7. Complete information (Select the category "Academics" and select the risk status "Initial Risk Entry").
- 8. Click "Add Student Risk"
- 9. Click "Add Note" and include relevant details about the reason for your referral.

  \*Note: Student and advisor will receive this information in an email.

#### To ADDRESS an ASSIGNED CASE:

- 1. Once notification email is received, log in to your portal.
- 2. Click "My Students" and then click appropriate student's name.
- 3. Read information in "Student Risk"
- 4. Schedule appointment with student; update "Risk Status" by clicking "Edit"
- 5. Meet with student. Discuss issues, listen to student concerns, and come up with action plan.
- 6. Go back to student page through "My Student." Click on "Student Risk," then click "Add Note." Summarize meeting and plan each time you talk with student. \*Case will not be considered addressed until meeting notes are recorded.
- 7. Click on "Edit." Update "Risk Status" by choosing the appropriate status from the menu.
- 8. Following 3 unsuccessful attempts to contact the student, send the student name to Chris Reid.

# **Advocate Training Dates:**

January 21 (Thur) 10 -11 am CETL January 22 (Fri) 1-2 pm CETL

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# WHEN TO SUBMIT EARLY ALERT REFERRALS:

### Jan. 13 - Feb. 1:

- 2 or more absences
- Crisis situation (i.e. death in family)
- Academic performance consistently below expectations
- Repeated disruptive or inappropriate behavior
- Desires or plans for early transfer

## Feb. 2 - Feb. 22:

- 3 or more absences
- Crisis situation (i.e. death in family)
- Academic performance consistently below expectations
- Repeated disruptive or inappropriate behavior
- Desires or plans for early transfer
- Change in personality or behavior

#### Feb. 23 - Apr. 27:

• 4 or more absences AND low performance

## Student Info Screen

