

# The Express to Success Program: A Collaborative Instructor-Counselor Model to Support Student Success



# **Program Overview**

#### **How It Started**

**FALL 2010: TITLE V HSI GRANT** 

2010-11: RESEARCH AND PLANNING PHASE

- Acknowledging the importance of the "Leaky Pipeline" study by Hern and Snell
- Adapting the models from Chabot College and Baltimore Community College (ALP)
- Expanding the existing math immersion model
   2011: IMPLEMENTATION
- Spring 2011: Recruiting, advising, registration
- Fall 2011: Classes begin for 10 ESP Learning communities

#### **Program Highlights**

- 23 Accelerated Learning Communities in Fall '16
  - 2-3 Math or English classes with same teacher
  - 2 levels below college through college level
- Full in-class and outside of class peer tutors
- Non-cognitive curriculum that focuses on growth mindset and habits of mind
- <u>Key Feature</u>: Dedicated ESP counselors, who work with ESP students and instructors

## Learning Communities - English

Accelerated writing, intensive reading: Eng.
 117, 6 units, two levels below college level (adapted from Chabot model)

 Accelerated writing paired with college composition and reading: 2 unit support class, Eng. 121, with 4 unit college level course (adapted from Baltimore ALP model)

Integrated reading and writing: Eng. 75, 6
 units, two levels below college level

#### **Learning Communities - Math**

- Beginning and Intermediate Algebra, Math
   Study Skills: Immersion model, taught as one class, 10 units
- Intermediate and College Algebra, Math
   Study Skills: Immersion model, taught as one class, 9 units
- Intermediate Algebra and Statistics, Math Study Skills: Compressed model (8 weeks/8 weeks), 9 units
- Coming Fall 18: "Statways" model to prepare
   Beginning Algebra students for Statistics

#### The Counselor-Instructor Model

 Simplifies intake/advising process and makes students better informed

Provides support for both students and faculty

Educates all of us

#### **Benefits of the Model**

Provides a safety net for students and faculty

 Helps maintain high standards for personal responsibility

 Gives students more personal attention, and this makes them more likely to succeed

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 Makes us more knowledgeable about requirements for degrees and transfer, course availability, etc.

 Helps students build relationships with counselors and the campus

 Shows students that we are one big support network, working together for their success

#### Why Does This Model Work?

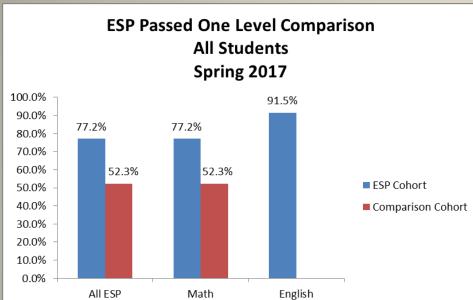
 Classroom Presentations reinforce the connection between counselors, instructors and students

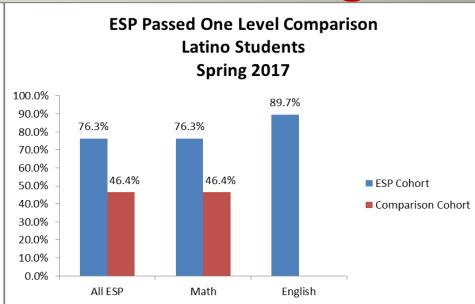
The model builds community

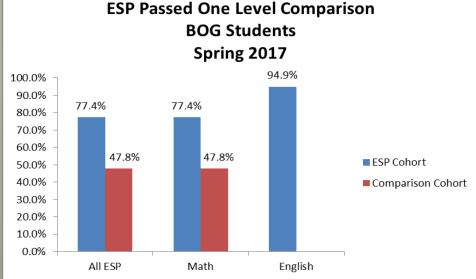
We learn from each other

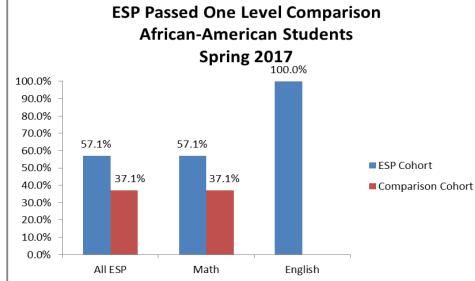
We share a common purpose: The success of our students

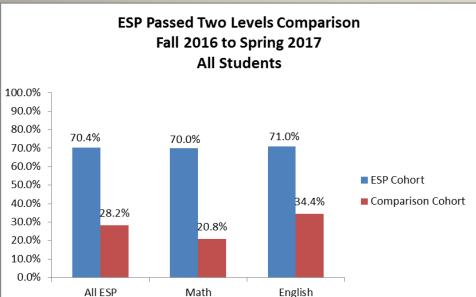
Completion of College Level English	2012-13 ESP Cohort	Non-ESP Cohort	2006-07 Baseline Cohort	Difference between ESP and non-ESP		Difference between ESP and Baseline	
				% pts	% difference	% pts	% difference
Rate Cohort Number	<b>49.6%</b>	<b>35.4% 2,129</b>	<b>26.8%</b> 978	<b>14.2%</b>	28.6%	<b>22.8%</b>	<b>85.1%</b>
Completion of College Level	E2012-13	Non-ESP	2006-07 Baseline	Difference between ESP and non-ESP		Difference between ESP and Baseline	
Math	ESP Cohort	Cohort	Cohort	% pts	% difference	% pts	% difference
Rate	56.7%	30.4%	24.3%	26.3%	46.4%	32.4%	133.3%
Cohort Number	319	1,521	629				
Achievement of Transfer Level	2012-13	Non-ESP	2008-09 Baseline	Difference between ESP and non-ESP		Difference between ESP and Baseline	
Status	ESP Cohort	Cohort	Cohort	% pts	% difference	% pts	% difference
Rate	40.9%	28.6%	20.8%	12.3%	30.1%	20.1%	96.6%
<b>Cohort Number</b>	127	392	399				

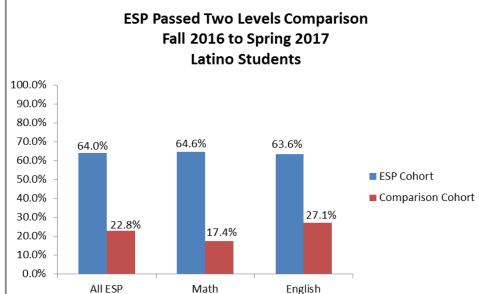


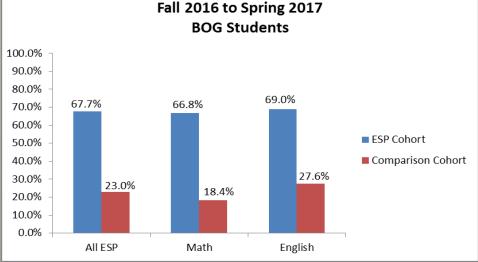




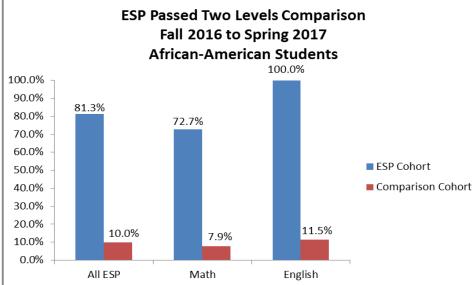


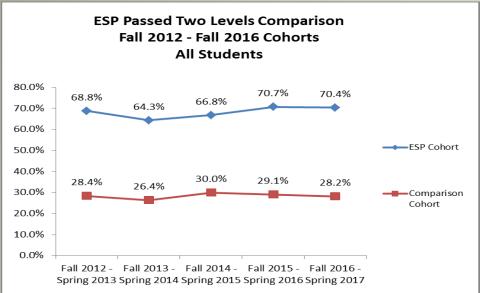


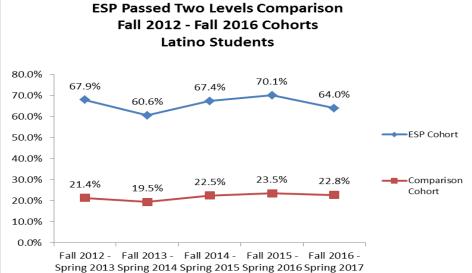


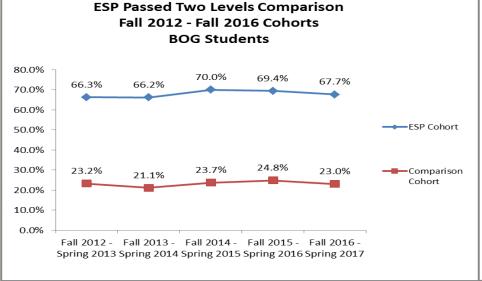


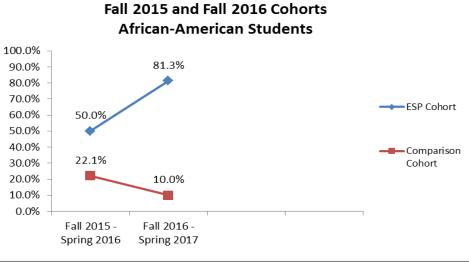
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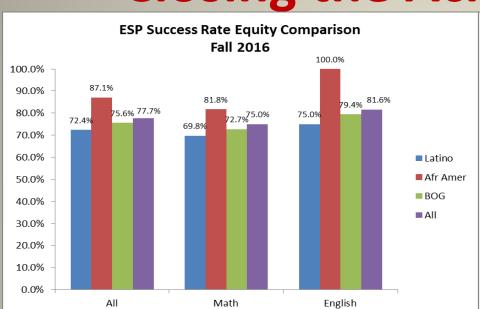


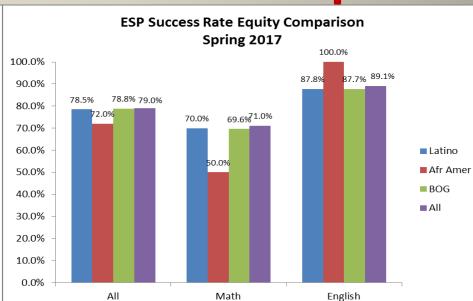


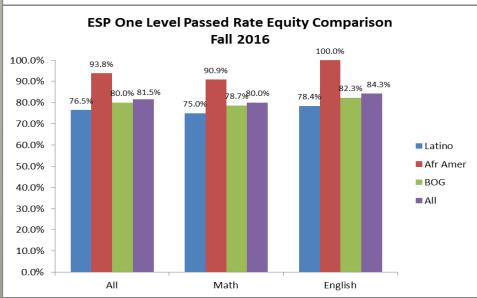


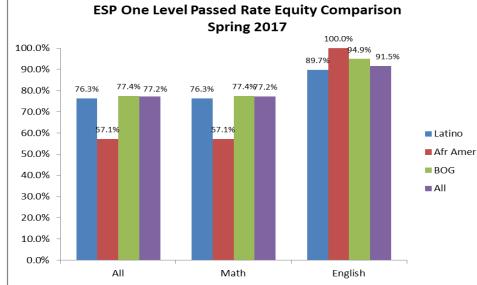
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# **Closing the Achievement Gap**









#### **Lessons Learned**

- BUY-IN from all affected is critical (from math and English to IT)
- RESEARCH other effective models and adapt them to fit your institution
- EXPECT a learning curve for instructional faculty and counselors
- FLEXIBILITY is important to make adjustments

#### **MORE LESSONS...**

- PILOT AND EVALUATE, making changes when necessary and sharing results of evaluations with the college
- ADVISING component is essential: students
   must be fully informed about commitment
   and motivated to participate
- HOLD REGULAR MEETINGS so that instructors and counselors can share strategies, problem solve and support each other

# For more information: sbcc.edu/ esp

Questions?