




**Early Middle  
College Summer  
Boot Camp**

Michigan Career Education  
Conference

January 31, 2022



# What is an Early Middle College?

- Early/Middle College High Schools can begin as early as 9th grade.
- Students attend for 5 years.
- Students follow a specific 5-year program of instruction.
- Designed to allow a pupil to earn a high school diploma and substantial college credit (associate degree, certificate, or transferrable credit) through an additional fifth year of study.



# Benefits to Students



Access to college credit at no cost or reduced cost



Bridge between high school, career center, and post-secondary institution



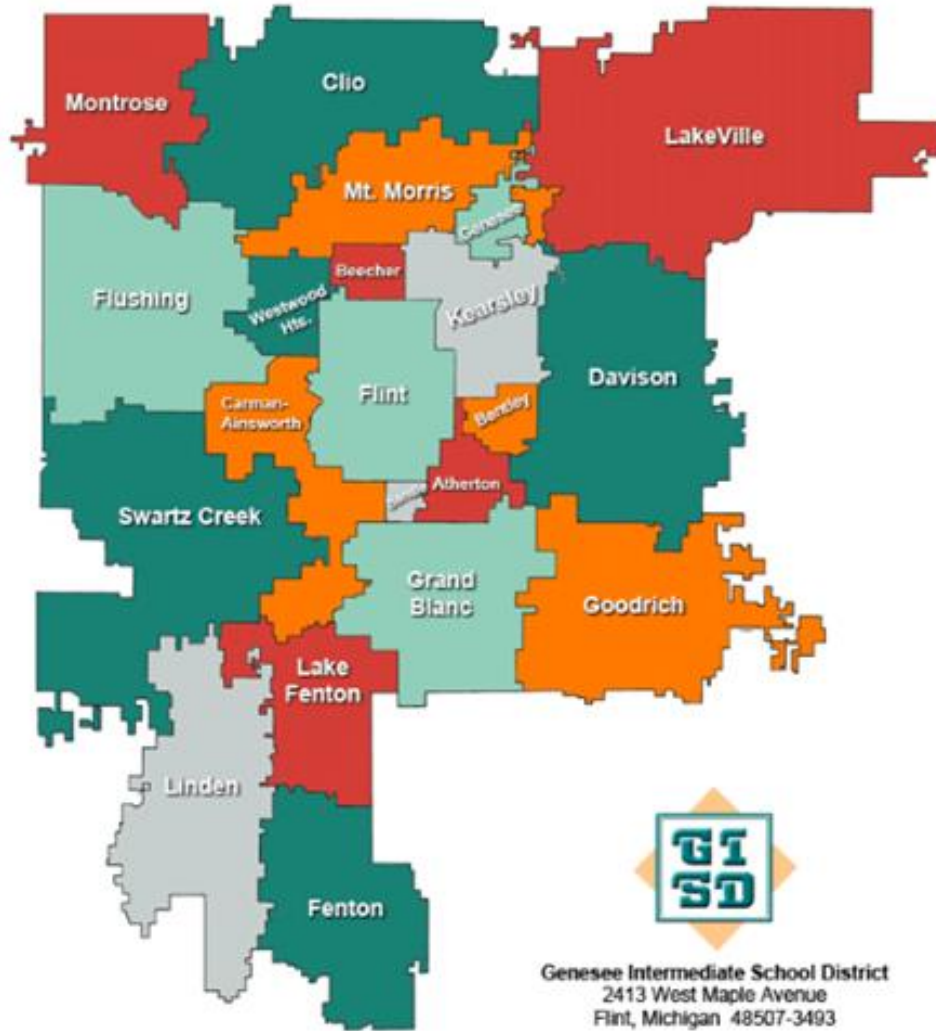
Exposure to college-level work, the college campus, college resources and support services



Multiple levels of support



Provide a college opportunity for underserved, underrepresented, and underachieving students



# Genesee County CTE Early Middle College

- Consortium Model
- CTE Focused
- 21 participating high schools
- City, suburbs and rural
- 60% Free and reduced lunch
- 75 % Caucasian, 20% African American
- 21% of county residents have a bachelor's degree or higher



# Purpose of Boot Camp?

Introduces students to

- Each other
- College campus
- Genesee Career Institute campus
- College knowledge



# Boot Camp Design



4 days from 9:00 a.m.  
to 3:00 p.m.



3rd week of July –  
Leadership Team  
decision



Held at the Genesee  
Career Institute



Lunch, snacks and  
drinks provided

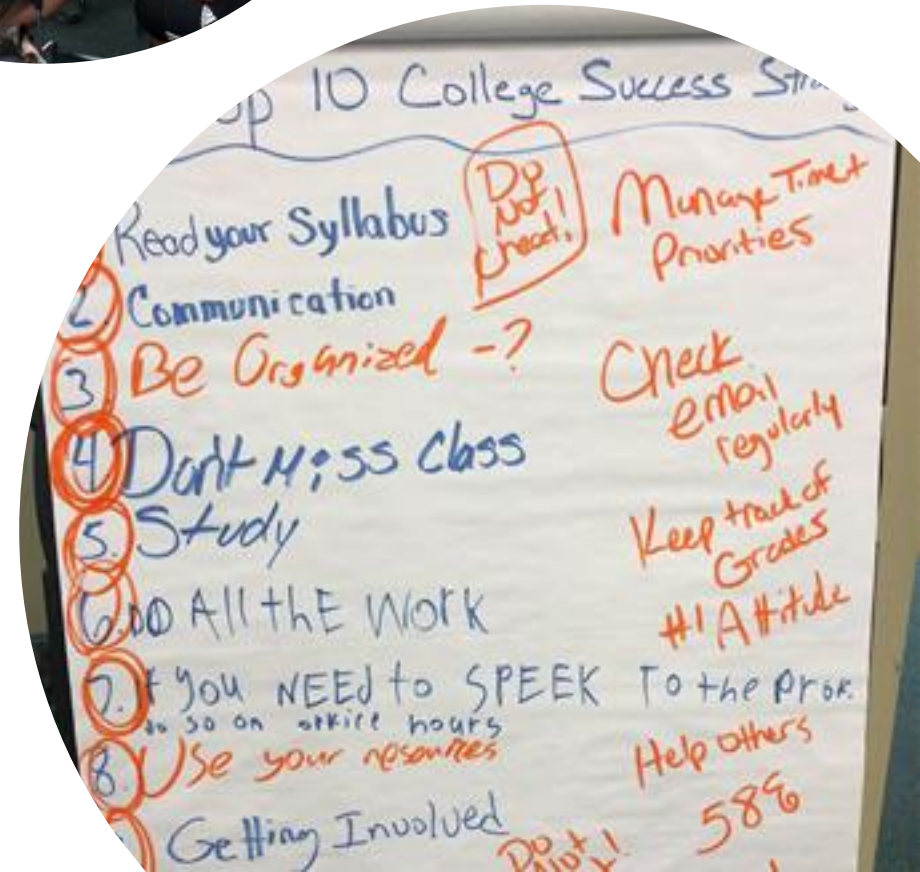
# Boot Camp Activities

- Get to know you activities/ice breakers
- Tours of GCI and Mott Community College
- College orientation and introduction to online tools
- Student Q & A panel
- Guest speakers
- Lessons about college



# College Knowledge Lessons

- College vocabulary Kahoot
- College syllabus search
- How to communicate with instructors
- Academic integrity
- Creating an academic success plan and setting goals for upcoming semester





# What Can Your College Partner Do?



- Campus Tour
- College orientation specific to EMC students
  - How is high school different from college?
  - Faculty expectations
  - College resources
  - Overview of college accounts and technology
- Presentations by college counselors
  - Academic success skills (note taking, test taking)
  - Professional skills (communication, leadership, stress management)

# Leveraging Other Resources



Base Camp  
Challenge  
Center

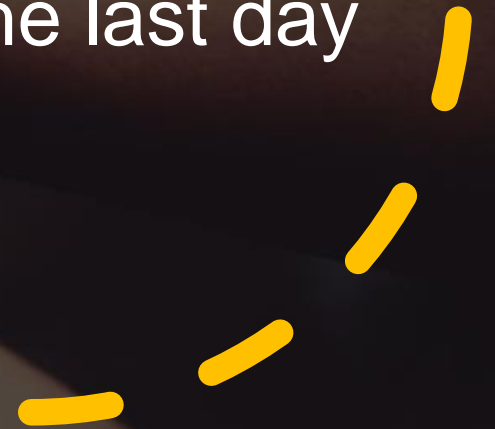
Guest  
speakers

Student  
panels



## Making a Connection

- Get to Know Me Survey
  - Favorite things
  - Family
  - T-shirt size
  - One important thing you should know about me
- Celebrate birthdays with college swag
- Personalized treat bag on the last day
- Certificates





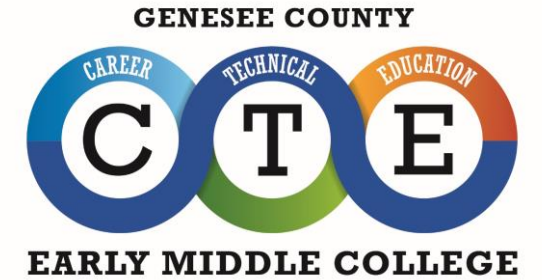
# Benefits for Your Students & Program

- Relationships
- Starts building the college-going culture
- Calms the jitters
- Creates buy-in and a commitment to your EMC
- Strengthens the partnership between the EMC and post-secondary partner





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