

F.6.1.2 (Procedure) Student Success: Preparation for Entering College

Responsible Department: Vice Chancellor for Student Success

Based on Board Policy: [F.6.1](#) – Student Success

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The organizational structures, policies, and practices that support student success values and priorities include the following set of actions. These policies and practices are based on research from the Achieving the Dream initiative and other education strategies identified as promoting increased success for all students. The Alamo Colleges are instituting long-term, institution-wide practices that support and promote student engagement and commitment to learning while requiring strategies that are proven to increase student success.

Preparation for Entering College

- Students will complete a series of activities prior to enrollment in the Alamo Colleges. Introductory information will provide students with an overview of expectations to succeed in college, information on financial obligations of college, information on the types of programs available at the Alamo Colleges, and the academic skills required to be successful in each type of program.
- Prospective students who require an assessment exam will participate in a preparatory session prior to taking the test. The session includes information on the importance and impact of the exam, how to improve their readiness for college prior to taking the exam, and how the exam results will be used for assisting the student in making choices to be successful in college-level courses. Students are encouraged to take all test scores to advising/orientation sessions to ensure placement at the highest level possible.