HCTC PEER MENTORING PROGRAM

- Their Role
- Their Experience
- Their Significance

MEET HCTC'S PEER MENTORS













THE HCTC PEER MENTORING PROGRAM

- The HCTC Peer Mentor program began Fall 2024 semester.
- HCTC currently employs Five Peer Mentors as part-time student employees who work flexible schedules to provide student support to both on-campus and online students.
- The Peer Mentors are key players of the HCTC Success Zone.



PEER MENTORS- KEY PLAYERS IN THE HCTC SUCCESS ZONE

- HCTC Success Zone
 - A One-Stop location within the college that provides connection to:
 - Tutoring services
 - Accessibility services
 - Veterans' services
 - HCTC's CCAMPIS- Childcare Waiver Assistance
 - HCTC's Ready to Work/Work and Learn program
 - KYNECTOR- State Benefit Programs
 - Community resources for Non-Academic Barriers.



PEER MENTORS: CREATING A WELCOMING COMMUNITY

- Peer Mentors help students feel connected and supported.
- Peer Mentors reduce feelings of isolation and foster a sense of belonging.
- Peer Mentors foster collaboration.



PEER MENTORS: MODELING POSITIVE ATTRIBUTES

Peer Mentors are experienced students who have successfully adapted to college.

- Peer Mentors exemplify success-driven qualities such as:
 - Reliability
 - Patience
 - Strong communication skills



PEER MENTORS: THE SUPPORT STUDENTS NEED

- HCTC Peer Mentors play a crucial role in supporting first-time and continuing students' academic and personal success through:
 - Peer Mentors provide student outreach to develop community support.
 - Peer Mentors provide encouragement and motivation.
 - Peer Mentors assist with college navigation for academic success.
 - Peer Mentors are a positive role model.



PEER MENTORS: EASING THE TRANSITION TO COLLEGE

- Peer Mentors help students adjust to college.
 - Navigating Campus Life.
 - Understanding key student responsibilities: Navigation of the Student Account Center and Academic Calendar, Understanding Financial Aid, SAP WARN, Academic Programs, Transfer, and more.
 - Peer Mentors provide follow-up support.



PEER MENTORS: SUPPORTING STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- Peer Mentors guide students through the academic landscape at our institution by helping them understand course expectations, and access support services, such as tutoring.
- Students stay informed about important events, deadlines, and receive referrals for advising and registration.
- Accomplished through phone call outreach, Online Learners Hub postings, and financial literacy trainings.



PEER MENTORS: SUMMARY

- HCTC Peer Mentors play a vital role in student success.
- By supporting course completion and retention, they contribute to higher graduation rates.
- Serving as a link between students and faculty/staff, they help address the unique challenges faced by underrepresented students and promote a more inclusive and supportive college experience.



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• Q & A

- For additional program information or help in getting the Peer Mentoring program started at your KCTCS College:
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