



#### Outline of Session

- PollEverywhere Q & A
- Common advising issues
- Tips for advising
- Recommendations for campus-wide advising



## What are some common issues in advising?

- Students only want PINs
- Forms and Policies are often changing
- General Studies (who can understand them)
- Sequencing of courses

#### What is your perception of advisees?



# What is your perception of advisees? Fairmont State faculty

- Afraid: Uncertain of questions to ask.
- Advisor as problem solver, not necessarily mentor.
- Uninformed of advising process.
- Hard working, lives outside of school.
- Misinformed

#### What is your perception of faculty advising on your campus?



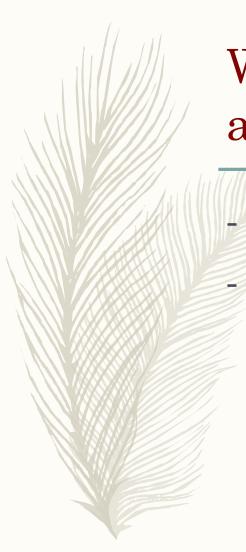
# What is your perception of faculty advising on your campus?

- More time consuming than expected.
- Lacking resources and information to do advising well.
- Frustrating, students not responding/resources not available.
- Advising essential for student success.
- Essential for student success.
- It is something that faculty will just figure out without training.

#### What do you think faculty advisors need to know or be trained to do?

#### What are some ideas for communicating the value of advising to faculty advising?

# What is your favorite part of advising? Most frustrating? ex. fave=? and frust=?



# What is your favorite part of advising? Most frustrating?

- Fave=When they get into Pharmacy School.
- Fave=Interacting with students in a different way outside of class.



#### What counts as Electives?

- 15 to Finish
- Financial Aid constraints
- General studies



# What is the importance of Degree Works and/or advising notes?

- Record keeping
- Graduation requirements
- May be used by financial aid



# How does my institution interpret academic policies?

- Time constraints
- Procedures
- Ripple effects



#### What are a few tips?

- Prepare for the appointment
- Pull up the advisee's test scores and transcript
- Email your advisees
- PIN Codes/Registration Holds



#### What are some additional tips?

- One day FERPA form
- Develop a contact list for common questions
  - Professional advisors in the departments
  - Contacts in key departments across campus
- Use the academic catalog

#### What would be helpful for faculty advisors?



## What are your tips to make advising easier or more efficient?

- There is no specific/precise way to advise.
- Communication plans
- General Guidelines for Advising



## What are some recommendations for areas in need of help?

- Supporting and valuing advising efforts
- Establishing expectations
- Departmental or 1:1 advising trainings
  - Registration help
  - Calculating GPA/Financial Aid
  - Verbiage for difficult conversations