DESE Attendance - Course Completion Criteria for CWC

Purpose:

To track attendance in the environment of Virtual instructions by measuring the number of synchronous classes a student attends, assignments a student completes, and teacher-student check-ins. It is important to note that this is not for grading purposes, but instead is a stand-in for attendance data for purposes of calculating ADA.

Context:

For non-traditional methods of instruction, such as Virtual Instruction, DESE requires districts to be able to show criteria for Incomplete/Partial/Complete course completion.

"Per 162.1250, RSMo, for purposes of the calculation and distribution of state school funding, attendance of a student taking a MOCAP or other virtual course offered by, or with the tuition being paid by the school district, but the course is taken offsite, can be claimed for state aid. The hours reported shall equal, upon course completion, ninety-four percent of the hours of attendance possible for such class delivered in the non-virtual program in the student's resident district or charter school. Course completion shall be calculated in two increments, fifty percent completion and one hundred percent completion, based on the student's completion of defined assignments and assessments, with distribution of state funding to a school district or charter school at each increment equal to forty-seven percent of hours of attendance possible for such course delivered in the non-virtual program in a student's school district of residence or charter school."

| Measures to be used for DESE Attendance Calculation | | | |
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| By Course | a) # of Assignments a student completes per semester | | |
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| Engagements | b) Participation rate per semester in synchronous classes | | |
| | c) Participation rate per semester of teacher-student check-ins | | |
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| CWC's steps for DESE attendance calculation | | | |
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| CWC Course Completion rate | DESE Completion Threshold | % of possible course hours earned | |
| ≥60% | Full completion | 94% | |
| 30% - 59% | Half completion | 47% | |
| ≤29% | Less than half completion | 0% | |