

Brawley Notes
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- Video
 - Check soundtrack – volume was too low
- IVC regarding success
 - Education= career bound?
 - Training – needs to be destiny
 - Citizenship – recommended videos (3)
 - Problem not shown on video: space/ not enough room
 - Too many classes/ do we need that many?
 - Suggestion: Have more classes at extended campus sites
- Need more community involvement
 - In other words, forum tonight plus input re. Improvements
 - Concern re. High school students lack of access to IVC classes due to no room
 - Why the Mexican license plates.
 - Tax payers rights?
 - Need to educate HS seniors re. How to crash classes
 - Promote IVC graduates – through via publications, assemblies, etc.
 - Need classes for personal enrichment
 - Need larger English dept. for requirements to be met
 - Distribute class offerings among all college sites
 - IVC has best reputation of small community college anywhere
 - Fine nursing program/ fine mechanics program anywhere
 - IVC needs to get involvement w/ high school programs everywhere: welding, partnerships
- Distance
 - Transportation problems
 - 111 is good direct route
- IVC provides basic skills education
 - Possible to get BA & teaching credential without leaving the valley
 - Cost = accessible
 - IVC is known for its good teaching faculty
 - Parking limited
 - Some majors not offered like architecture
 - IVC as general education preparation for 4 year program of study
 - Students need to know how system/ for transfer/ catalog works
 - Unclear what classes are offered at extended campuses
 - Need schedules of classes, plus more info on IVC

- Increase communication with high schools and clarify options
 - Parental support
- Strengths of IVC
 - Sports
 - Transit system
 - Band
 - Musical programs
 - Jazz
 - Nursing
 - Extended campus classes
 - CFCS program
 - Child-care support
- Weaknesses of IVC
 - Advertise more in media
 - Location change in Brawley needs to be advertised
 - Need snacks at off-campus sites
 - Eliminate flex-week and return to classrooms
 - Prices of textbooks
 - Programs (future)
 - Monitoring of job-market trends
 - Recognize differences between general education and job-specific training
 - Add to technology offerings
 - More hands-on classes. (construction)
 - Journalism re. Issues offered through English
 - Meet w/ SDSU re. Businesses
 - Administration program. Requiring leaving valley.
 - Online courses? Cost/ efficient – collaborate w/ high schools
 - Economic development
 - Plenty of others in area already involved in it.
- Extra-curricular/ cultural activities
 - Need football
 - Fine arts not strong
 - Need mariachi band
 - Revive Ag program
 - Demand for new tractor-drivers
 - Collaborate with high schools
 - FFA – effect on livelihood
 - Education has provided more opportunities/ better jobs
 - Took more and different courses related to other lines of work
 - Concurrent enrollment has helped those otherwise dependent on welfare
- Experience/ impressions as IVC employees
 - Enjoy working w/ scholarship (Marie Hisel) program
 - Counseling service very helpful for return students
 - Board members very helpful
 - Raise standard/ English 1A for graduation
 - Add more English classes

- Facilities
 - Science building should not be attached to other bond items
 - Need more technology
 - Early childhood education center
 - Learning services tutoring center
 - Library
 - Improve cafeteria/ expand more variety/ lower prices/ more parking
- How Did You Hear About IVC?
 - Newspaper
 - Radio
 - Word of mouth
 - Commercials
 - IVC advertises for more students but can't accommodate them.
 - More visibility through IVC staff visits to high schools
 - Add bi-weekly articles in paper from journalism student
 - Mailings and mail-in request
 - Website info
 - Make community forums more frequent
 - Planetarium fieldtrips are memorable
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