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For AMC Council & Advisors:

Native Access Program report

There are 12 students currently enrolled in the Native Access Program, one student has been away since January due to medical and personal concerns. We have been in communication but this student has not officially withdrawn yet. Four students are on Academic Probation and have been meeting the requirements of attendance and meeting with me on a regular basis. One student is repeating the Winter Math session. Attendance stats for January-February have been in the 50-60% range overall. Some students are facing personal and medical situations and are dealing with these issues. A monthly instructors meeting was held to address attendance and academic concerns. Not many students have been showing up for weekly study sessions, but this is being addressed as students have formed their own study groups. January has been off to a slow start, as students face financial and health challenges. Stress levels have been up and students are starting to realize the expectations and demands of being a student. Carrienne Agawa, Christina Buzzi, Anthea Kyle will be in the classroom to speak to students about options for September 2011. There was a guest speaker, Jessica Yee and a focus group will be held at the end of February. Most students handed in their major Indigenous Learning paper, wrote mid-terms in Math and English and have been working on Group projects, magazines and individual assignments as required. The group is smaller but the "core group of 6" has been maintained.

Sincerely,

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