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AMCS Fall Parent Night

OCTOBER 7, 2020

Principal Welcome

- Introductions
 - ASD staff
 - UAA staff
- Overview of fall semester
- Spring 2021 planning

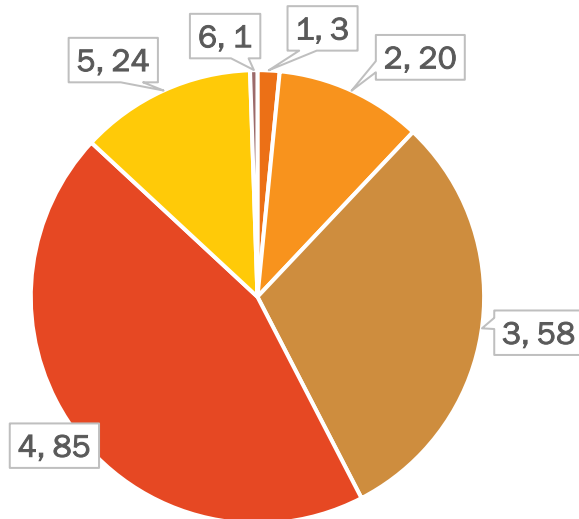
UAA Overview

- Advising Information
 - Mid-term Grades
 - Title IX
- UAA Dates and Deadlines
- Student Five-Week Feedback

Student Five-Week Check In

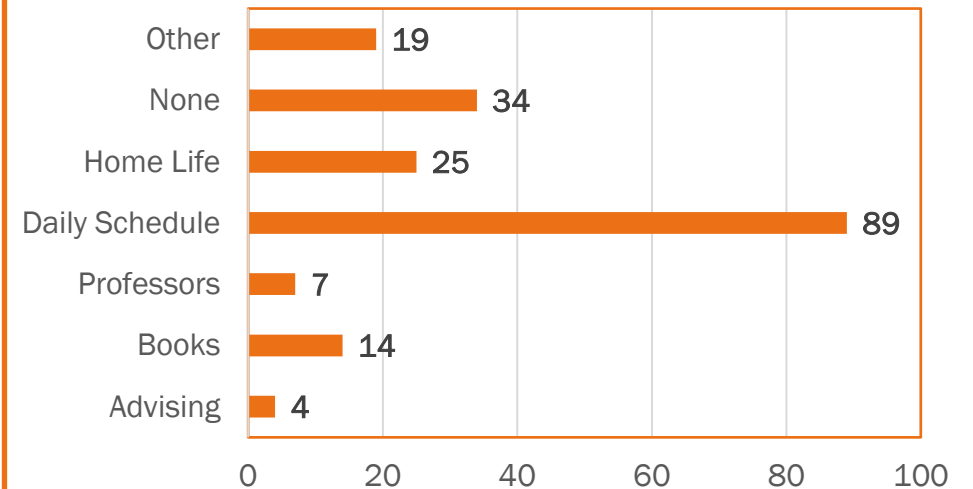
How many college classes are you taking?

College Courses



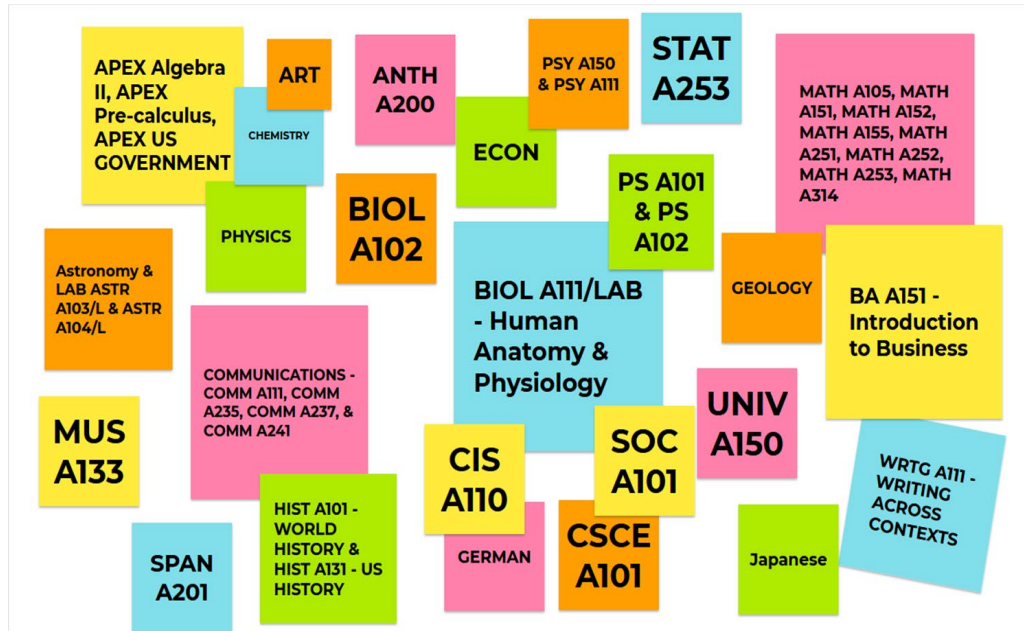
What is the biggest hurdle you faced in your first five weeks?

Students

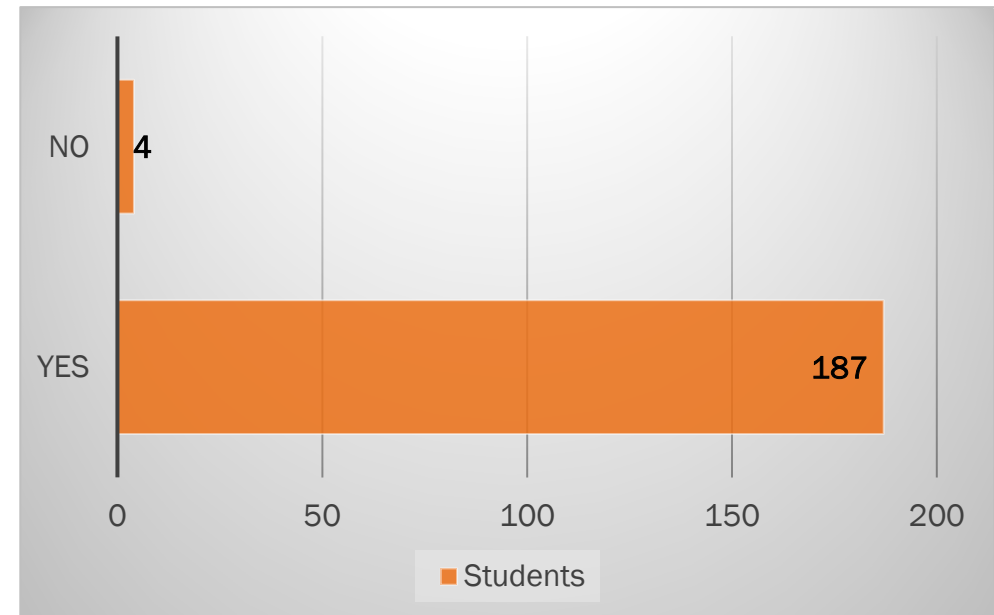


Student Five-Week Check In

What is your most challenging course?

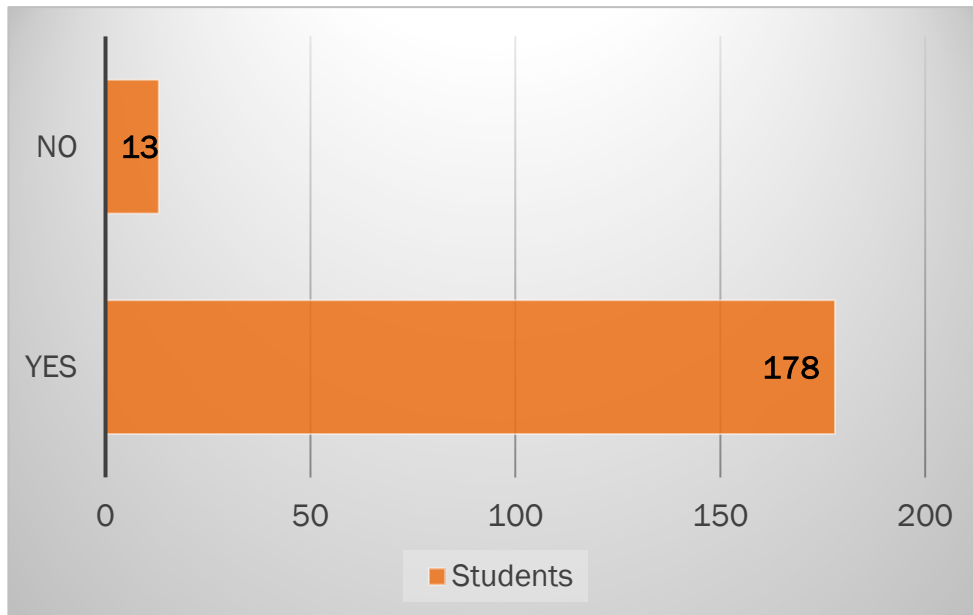


Are you confident you will pass all your classes with a "C" or better?

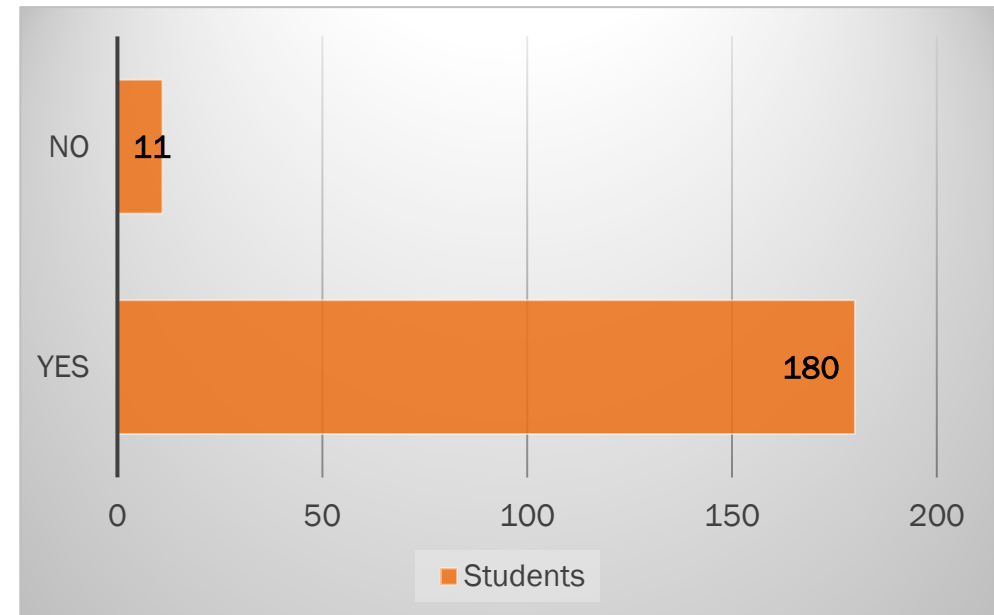


Student Five-Week Check In

Do you need additional support for your college or high school classes?

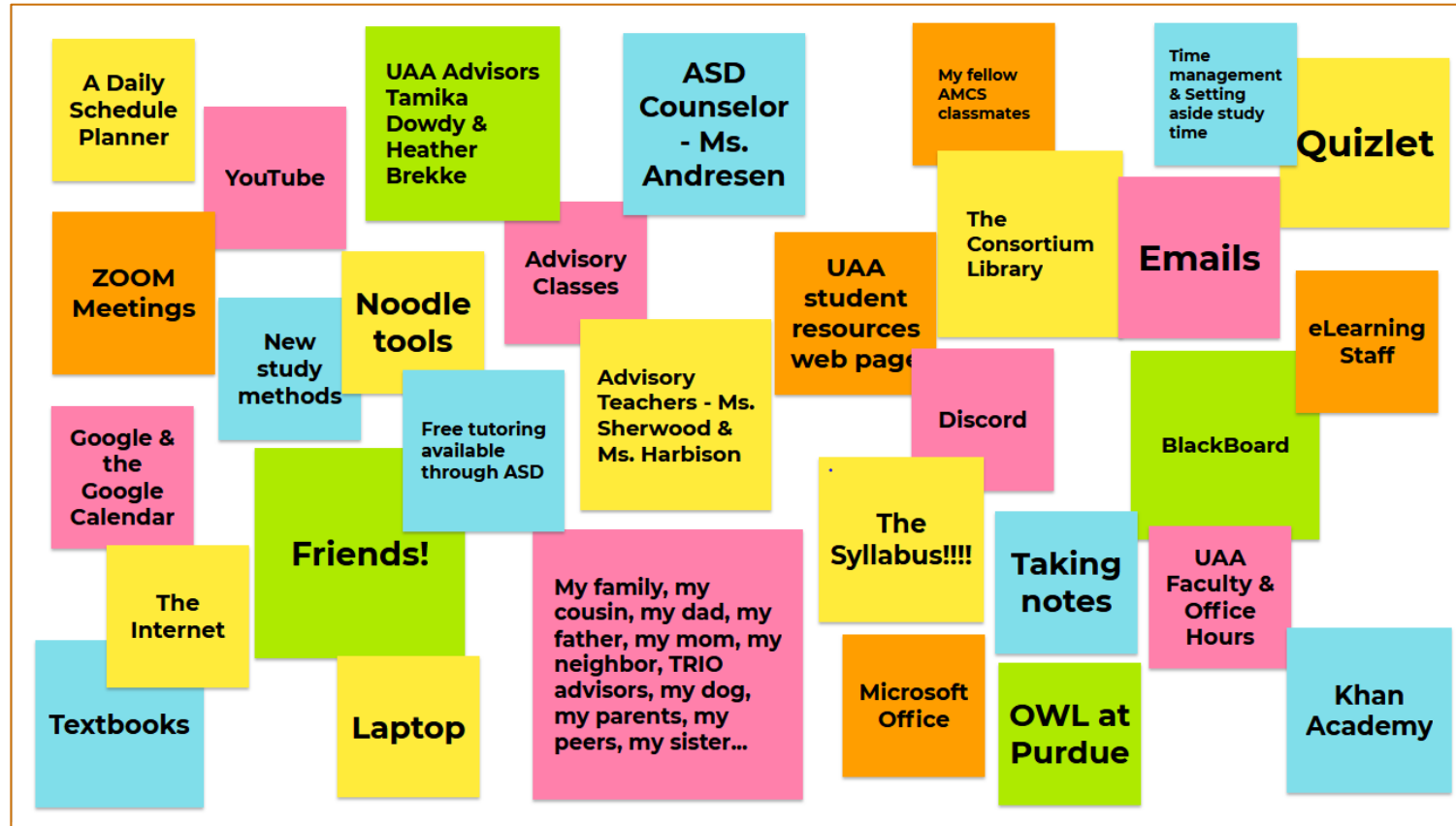


Are you aware of resources available to students in need of academic support?



Student Five-Week Check In

Who/what has been most helpful resource to you in your first 5 weeks?



Student Five-Week Check In

What do you wish someone would have told you before you started AMCS?

Always have snacks on hand...

That it's just like high-school.

That you really need to think about the classes your taking

Be prepared to adapt to many different kinds of learning and teaching styles

Be ready for teachers to have way less assignments and tests.

That we are not gonna be walking with our affiliate school

Be ready to be independent

Take notes

That I would have to take University Studies

How much the workload would be

That you could still take CTE courses

Use a planner, need to manage time well

To ask questions in class

That I had advisory classes

Not all the teachers care like they do in high school.

Take more courses first semester

Make sure to work in advance and not just around due dates

That the professors are actually nice.

That it is okay to not be perfect

The best way to earn PE credits

To double check that programs work

you need a good routine

I would have liked to hear more of other peoples' experiences so I would have a better idea on what to expect

Nothing or N/A

Professors are intimidating but super nice and understanding people.

Look in the gutters for work that BB does not tell you about

No time for friends

The classes are much more focused on learning rather than the busy work of High School

To make sure you actually want to do it

The hardship of balancing home life with high school and college life

That it would be all online

Online Classes would be the new normal.

Make time for yourself

That I'd only be taking very few classes.

Remember to eat because class times can be during meals

That you will probably not have a social life

Your professors are there to help

That chromebooks do not support RPNOW

You need to be able to manage your own time and assignments

Classes aren't too much harder than high school.

There is a very wide variety of professors

You have to make a consistent, independent effort to understand coursework and get things done.

To not be shy

College classes aren't as intimidating as they seem, you can do them as long as you put the effort in.

You need to ask people for help and communicate with your professors.

it's just like college

it's very independent

It was less stressful than I had thought it'd be.

Student Five-Week Check In

What do you wish someone would have told you before you started AMCS? (continued)

The image displays a collection of approximately 20 sticky notes in various colors (orange, yellow, green, blue, pink) arranged in a collage. The central sticky note is a large yellow one with the text "Don't stress out". Other sticky notes contain various pieces of student feedback, such as "I wish I was more informed about what it was", "It was less stressful than I had thought it'd be", "Do not take on too many classes", and "I came into it expecting what I got".

Don't stress out

I can't think of anything

I wish I was more informed about what it was. I never knew what dual enrollment was until the end of my junior year

It was less stressful than I had thought it'd be.

I wish someone would have told me to check my emails more often!

I was told prior are things that are specific to covid.

Definitely I have noticed the greater amount of work outside of class to do, and that a planner is really necessary to be successful in college.

I wish they would have really pushed how important having a detailed schedule is.

every professor is different and has different expectations

How to use e-portfolio

Don't procrastinate

Do not take on too many classes

Get your passwords organized

I was told pretty much everything

how hard the math would be

Don't overthink or you'll overwhelm yourself way more than you should.

How blackboard works

Get prepared for no sleep

College life can be tough but you can do it!

I felt pretty confident.

How to email professors

I had a sister who went so I was not too surprised by anything

It's very independent

I don't know...

covid would still be around

I came into it expecting what I got

Student Five-Week Check In

What is the best part about being an AMCS student thus far?

All of my assignments are actually useful and not just busy work.	College experience and being able to graduate with a general studies degree.	Everyone is very welcoming	AMCS has been helpful with supporting me with me online classes.	being in the college environment is the best thing	having choices in my schedule	FREE COLLEGE!!!!	Having free time and control of my schedule	Freedom!
Being ahead of most seniors	How self paced it is	Being in control of my education	Free books and classes	Being able to do dual enrollment with fun people	Getting to experience the college life with my high school friends	You connect with new people and get to experience the college lifestyle early on.	there hasn't really been anything special about being in AMCS, this is just like taking normal online classes, but harder	Interesting classes with engaged students
All the support	College experience!	Community	Being able to have freedom and no busy work	College classes are much easier than AP's	The challenges and opportunities available to me by doing college in high school.	The flexible schedule and interesting content	The consistency given the times	Not having to take zoom classes all day like ASD
Being successful so far	Being treated like an adult	Earning college credits at no cost to me or my parents	Double the credits & Early college credits	Allows me to take college courses	The individual liberty and freedom	I love the autonomy I am given and the fact that people trust me to get stuff done on my own.	Semester long classes	That I dont have many zoom meetings
Being independent	Being able to kind of set myself up for college and how it works	Being in more serious school	Everything! I prefer it much more than high school.	Flexibility	My schedule has a lot more freedom and I'm taking classes that are challenging.	Support from advisors etc	My classes, they are really fun	Realizing that it will all be worth it in the future

Student Five-Week Check In

What is the best part about being an AMCS student thus far? continued

The word cloud features the following text:

- It's nice to brag about it.**
- Going to the library**
- I dont feel as rushed as i did in high school
- The students all come prepared to learn
- I feel like I am accomplishing things in life
- Good classes and professors.**
- Getting to see myself improve**
- i dont have to sit through 8 hrs or class
- The best part is that I know I am gaining so many skills for being a college-student and when I go to college I am going to be much better
- Independence!**
- Making friends**
- Getting to see myself improve**
- I get a little more maturity in my education with more relaxed classes.
- You have more time to relax and not stress. Everything is organized and you have time to deal with a certain class everyday**
- The work is not as hard as I thought it would be which is relieving
- I enjoy the freedom that comes with being a university student**
- I enjoy the independence- I also feel like I'm actually learning with these classes.
- It's been all new for me to figure out**
- I get to be a part of college classes earlier and meet some UAA professors.
- Free college**
- Better for independent study**
- relieving some debt :)**
- I like the more independent approach to kearning that college offers, with less in class time, but more to do outside of class

Student Five-Week Check In

What would make AMCS better?

The image displays a collection of approximately 30 colorful sticky notes, each containing a student's response to the question "What would make AMCS better?". The notes are arranged in a somewhat grid-like fashion but overlap and vary in size and color. The colors used include shades of blue, green, orange, pink, yellow, and light blue. The text on the notes is in various fonts and sizes, reflecting the informal nature of the feedback. Some notes are more prominent than others.

Key feedback points include:

- if we had more clubs
- being able to go to UAA...
- I cant think of anything
- Having face to face classes after Corona ends
- A better PE class
- I think its good the way it is
- I can't think of anything other than if the counselors had office hours every two to three weeks so we could meet with our counselor.
- Everything is good, have not had any problems
- amcs extracurricular activities
- A bit more organization.
- Fun activities to ease the school stress
- The teachers are wonderful
- Having meetings in zoom every three months for seniors and their parents to discuss how to get prepared for college.
- NOTHING!
- I wish the orientation was more organized.
- being in person
- advisories being optional
- I dont really know. I think it was running smoothly in person before covid, but now it is adapting still like other schools (that seems normal).
- Sport related activities
- better communication
- Using ProctorU instead of RPNOW
- Idk, balloons?
- You guys are doing great I cant think of anything
- Covid going away so we can actually have a campus experience (not that you can do anything about that)
- Creating opportunities to connect with other AMCS students
- I can control my schedule more
- A calendar
- Frequent meetings
- Better organization? Just for online
- If I had more people to talk to
- If we were able to take more music/art classes
- In person classes :(
- Extracurriculars
- Bring more organized when it comes to ordering books
- I don't know
- A nice detailed page of all resources and steps from the beginning
- I can't think of anything. I'm pretty happy with my experience with the current program.
- If it used canvas
- If advisories weren't graded or were combined with your class grade.

ASD Overview

- Review of Expectations
 - Attendance for APEX and Advisories
 - GPA
- Testing Dates
- Spring Advising
 - Single course and APEX
 - Credit – No Credit

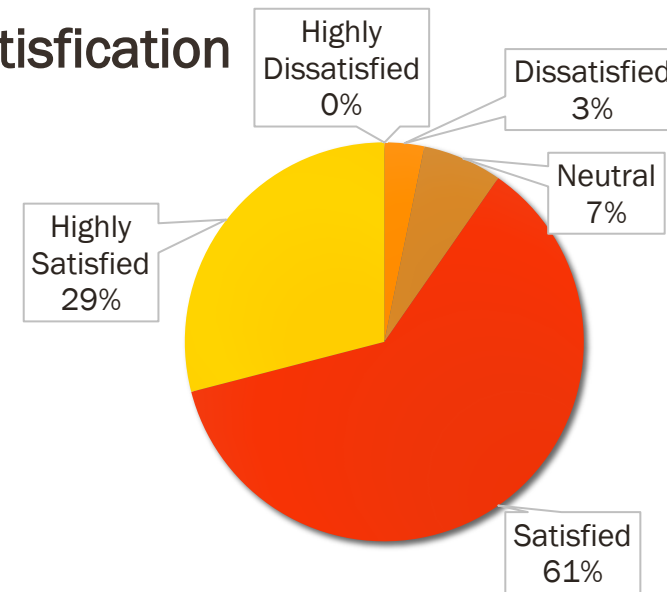
Parent Survey

What most influenced your decision to support your student in applying and attending AMCS?



How satisfied are you with your student's experience at AMCS?

Satisfaction



Parent Survey

What suggestions do you have for areas in which Middle College could improve?

- Advisory meetings optional for student check ins
- Consolidate of AMCS personnel at KTHS has reduced support for students, move back to UAA
- Cannot wait to get back to person classes
- Emphasis on time management
- Math feedback on tests
- Registration and placement testing frustrating
- PSAT testing information
- Maintain online class option
- Turning on camera in Zoom is a common courtesy
- More clarification on JR vs SR college prep sessions
- Communication
- Do not work your advisors so hard, having issues maintaining contact
- More admission testing options
- Another counselor please, need strong counseling department for seniors
- More guidance with college application process
- Find a way for students to talk, they do not interact

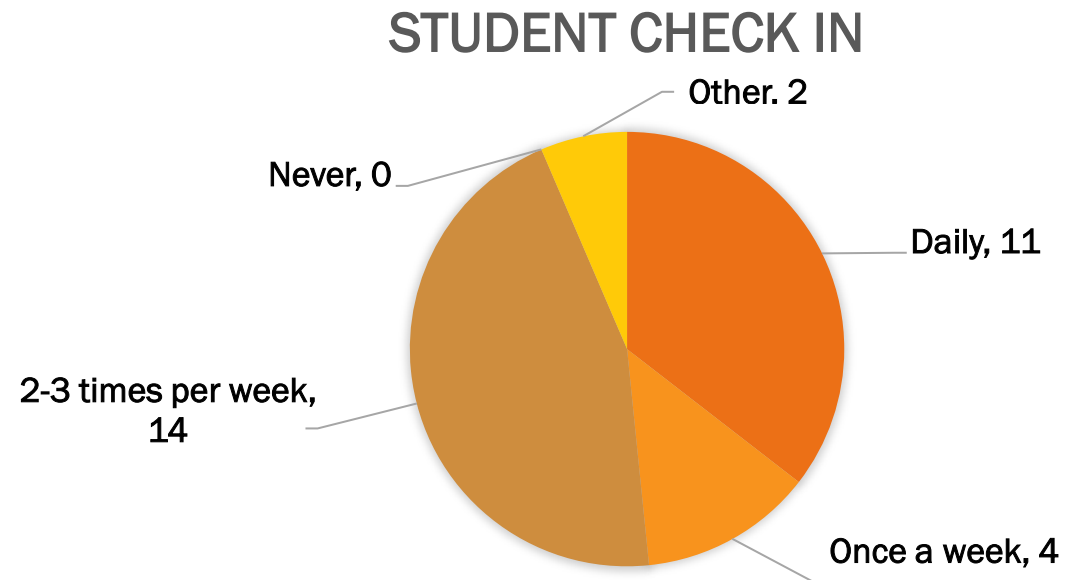
Parent Survey

In your opinion, what is the best feature of AMCS?

- Learning expectation of college courses and how to prepare for college learning
- Dynamic & energetic advisors
- Transition support the first year of AMCS, University Studies course and advisories
- Access to higher level courses and college credit
- Staff members and advisors
- Seamless inclusion in UAA courses and high expectations of AMCS staff to be responsible adults
- Building student independence and foster student taking control of student's education
- Dual enrollment, earning college and high school credits at the same time
- Guided focus on “next steps” in student's academic career
- Student feels his work matters more, not busy work
- Seminars on helping students succeed past school
- Free college classes and motivates to do well
- Variety of academic options

Parent Survey

How often does your student check in with you about their academic progress?



Parent Survey

What information do you wish you had before the school year started?

- Just a few more details on orientation
- Understanding of how course materials would be procured and a list of instructors
- Student communication from staff has been great
- Inputting chemistry answers into a field without being able to edit it is a pain, need better interface
- More information about all the platforms to access on how they work together
- How to contact or who to contact for difficulty getting books and instructors availability
- Information about courses was confusing
- Confusions about whether classes were on campus and couple were canceled without notice
- How HS credit would be affected and how to keep up with both HS and college courses
- More scholarships
- Guidance on what college classes to take
- If credits transfer to other universities
- More on course work offered

FAQ

- Spring 2021 Applications
- Question raised from Parent Survey
 - Teacher listed in Q
 - UAA activities
 - College Application Process
 - Future class options
 - NHS
- Other questions

Questions

**What questions do you have
for the team?**