

Districtwide Handshake Implementation Meeting

Tuesday, December 5th, 2023, | 11am | Zoom

AGENDA

Welcome - Agenda Review

Handshake Spring Planning – Group Discussion held regarding local plans for awareness building

- All colleges requested District promotion of handshake to students – this is great news as previously colleges were not ready for district to promote; now all colleges would like districtwide promotion
- CEWD to go back to previously approved student email and work with District PR & Com on other promotional opportunities
- All colleges expressed support for districtwide videos on how students can activate accounts
 - CEWD to develop district videos
 - Noah to distribute handshake videos – these are existing videos on the platform available to be shared right away with students
- Local Awareness Campaigns & Student Account Activations- Discussion
 - Convocation
 - Student Orientation
 - Welcome Week
 - Academic Senate
 - All-School Meetings
 - Classroom presentations
 - Colleges encouraged to partner with Student Services to promote handshake at all events
 - Special Populations Presentations and workshops
 - Promise, Umoja, Puente, Dreamers, etc. [ASL and DSPS](#)
 - Colleges encourage to work directly with special population program leads and ensure groups are well aware of handshake and have local support to activate accounts
- Miramar shared that they are
 - Requiring all events to be in handshake
 - Requiring all students to register for events in handshake
 - Registering onsite via QR code
 - Question raised as to whether doing so has resulted in drop in participation – response is that the exact opposite has occurred – more students are attending than ever before
 - Flex workshops are being provided to faculty

- Colleges reminded that they can provide faculty with student accounts – just be sure to flag them as a faculty member with labels/tags
- Colleges encourage to ensure handshake information is available in canvas
- Updated local promotion to “activate your account” rather than make an account needed
 - CEWD to provide updated materials for all colleges to utilize that emphasize activating your account
 - Noah to share flyer on teams
- When promoting Handshake, there are often questions about how long we have had handshake
 - Colleges encouraged to provide basic insight to those who inquire:
 - Reminders:
 - Handshake was first purchased by each college back in 2020; each college determining local rollout and implementation
 - All colleges committed to ensuring student awareness and usage
 - All enrolled students automatically have an account – they just need to activate it
 - Staff and faculty may request student accounts from local handshake leads

Job Based Approvals Webinar

- [Brief overview provided on recent webinar](#)
- [Information does not really pertain to us since we already auto approve jobs from approved employers](#)
- Job-based approvals combines job and employer approvals into a single step.
- post their jobs to your institution without a pre-existing employer approval—but they will not be approved at your school (granting access to post events, message students, etc.) *until* their first job is approved
- [Webinar recording](#)

Handshake Video Script

- [Handshake Script Review](#)

[Suggestion made to mention handshake and purpose right in front – within first few seconds of video](#)

Action Items:

- [Colleges encouraged to shared draft scripts with others internally – share with students as well](#)
- [Colleges to provide feedback by 12/15](#)

Student Uploads and Activity

- [Updates were provided on student Uploads](#)
 - Working through data clean up
 - November Upload complete
 - December will occur before break

- January's will be finalized before promo begins for districtwide career fair
- Handshake Counts as of 12/4/2023 (provide updated counts)
 - Active Student accounts:
 - City: 1,469 (+7)
 - Mesa: 2,422 (+16)
 - Miramar: 1,526 (+11)
 - SDCCE: 962 (+3)
 - Paid Job Postings: 9,956
 - Employers: 5,758
- Weekly counts emails (confirm usefulness)
 - Inquiry was made as to why we provide weekly counts
 - Originally we provided monthly counts only; Mesa College leadership asked to receive counts weekly; now CEWD provides it weekly to all colleges just in case
 - Each college may use counts however they would like
 - Each college may set local goals (not required)
- Monthly Reporting – Spring 2024 ([review draft elements for feedback](#))
 - Reviewed draft elements for feedback
 - No immediate feedback provided
 - Action: college to review and provide feedback by 12/15
- How we define completed profile
 - Concerns raised regarding how Handshake defines “completed profile” – this is a challenge and not something we can control at this time;
 - Action: CEWD to provide feedback to Handshake rep

Handshake web Landing Page

- Colleges were asked if they were aware of the SDCCD landing page and that they each have their own page as well
- Colleges confirmed unable to make edits to their page
- ACTION ITEMS:
 - Colleges to work internally on what they want to include on their page – encourage to include WBL guidance, local career services resources, key website and contact information, etc. etc.
 - Noah to connect with Handshake on access to edit these pages
 - Noah to connect with Handshake on how to add content to our main page
- Make edits on current landing page to:
 - Increase user experience
 - Update information
 - Link websites to page
 - College specific pages need content

Reminders & Updates

- **FAQ – under development with questions received**
 - [Draft FAQ](#)
 - Goal: repository of questions, process confirmations, and resources
 - Action: college to continue to share questions and requests for support with Noah
 - Includes: Purpose, Handshake functions, Resources, questions from previous meetings, connecting with employers, etc.

- **Past confirmations** – the following information was provided on the last two agendas, but not formally reviewed as a workgroup; [please review and confirm any questions or concerns](#):
 - [Notes will be incorporated into FAQ and future agenda topics as needed](#)

- 1. **Auto Approval for Emails** – in past meetings, we discussed setting auto approval districtwide for SDCCD student emails.
 - a. Handshake rep advises against this due to potentially creating duplicate accounts when they already have an existing account.
 - i. Next Steps:
 1. We will not turn on auto approval
 2. District CEWD will keep an eye on the email approval queue and approve as needed (by looking for the student in handshake and / or in campus solutions; if the student already has an account, CEWD will contact the student and support them in student activation).
 - ii. Locally, when working with students, please feel free to approve requests - this local approval will support day of event registration, etc.
 - iii. Just know you do not have to take on the burden of managing the queue

- 2. **Data Clean up** - Year 1 and Year 2 Status will be refined.
 - a. Often, employers use year 1 and year 2 status to search for when hiring students. This is the Employers' preference to use this section, so there is caution against removing it.
 - b. Next Step: refine definition so that 1st year/year 1 is only for students who are in their first semester (first time enrolled) and 2nd year / year 2 is for everyone else.

- 3. **Request to require campus/primary college when student activate accounts** – unable to make this change due to handshake settings
 - a. With the corrected data uploads, all students should already have this section populated anyway
 - b. For those that do not (legacy uploads), we cannot require the field
 - c. [Recommendation: explore holding profile updating workshops for students \(districtwide or college specific\)](#)

4. **If a student cannot see your college's appointments**, then first double check their account/profile settings and ensure your school is listed.
 - a. More than one school can be listed
 - b. Students can only self-schedule and see events from a campus that is listed in their settings
5. **Students can only see other student profiles if they choose to have community settings** – this is a student profile choice
6. **Events are automatically available on Handshake to every SDCCD email Handshake account in the District**, unless restrictions are created by host
 - a. Restrictions should only be used when necessary
7. **Employer collections**
 - a. **Spring 2023 – Handshake will be launching a custom collections feature** that can be college specific
8. **Faculty Accounts** – recommendation from Handshake is to provide student accounts
 - a. These are not “dummy” accounts – and need to include a label to distinguish them from actual student accounts
 - b. Handshake does not recommend uploading all faculty and staff
 - i. **Recommends providing training to interested faculty on learning the student side – good to train faculty on the basics so they can guide students on:**
 1. **How to search for jobs and events**
 2. **How to complete profile**
 - ii. **Recommends all staff currently using handshake also learn the student side (very different from admin side**
 - c. Other colleges provide Faculty and Staff with student accounts
 - i. **PROCESS Recommendation: need to ensure process is aligned to label all of these accounts with Faculty or Staff so that we can distinguish them from student reporting**

Resource Reminders

- Meeting schedule:
 - Spring 2024: 2/6, 4/9, 5/7, 6/11
- Teams Folder
- Past Meetings Notes & Action Items
 - [October 7th 2023 Meeting](#)
 - [July 11th 2023 meeting notes](#)
 - [June 6th 2023 Meeting Notes](#)
 - [May 16, 2023 Meeting Notes](#)
 - [April 18, 2023 Meeting Notes](#)
 - [March 21, 2023 Meeting Notes](#)
 - [March 7, 2023 Meeting Notes](#)
 - [February 7, 2023 Meeting Notes](#)
- Handshake Site Resources:
 - [Handshake Academy](#)

- [New to Handshake](#)
- [Reporting and analytics](#)
- [Report for Employer Flags](#)
- [Art of reporting](#)
- [Employer Validation](#)
- [Understanding How Employers are Validated](#)
- [Employer engagement at City of SF CC - City of SF CC – Access to the recording: <https://joinhandshake.com/blog/career-centers/fall-2022-community-college-meet-up/>](#)
- [Report for Employer Flags which tells status and reason](#) Click on Employers > You can view Approved, In Progress, Pending, Declined, and Flagged. If you click on "Declined" then it tells the industry, date of decline, and reason
- The [Handshake Chair](#) is at Mesa – reach out if you want to use it
- **How are people notified if someone makes an appointment?**
 - See handshake personal settings (dashboard and email from HS)
- **Managing whether or not a student can see appointments within your college**
 - In each college's local preferences you can set boundaries of what you want students to see or be able to schedule appointments, etc.
 - Example: Miramar can make it so only Miramar students can work with them
- **If a student is unable to see your appointments:**
 - Double check Handshake account not just Campus solutions
 - The student's Handshake account has to have a designated campus so they can see that campuses info/appointment types
 - All profiles should have a designated campus. This information should be pre-populated in the student upload, but we are noticing some blanks. If it is blank, students will not be able to see the information
- **Where in the student profile is the information listed?**
 - Under their account information / general info section - see account; see Campus
- **Events in Handshake**
 - [In-person & virtual career fairs \(joinhandshake.com\)](#)
 - Event check-in – students can use student ID number instead of email (if they want)
 - Custom QR codes can be made for each booth or table within/at a job fair
 - Could help increase insight into what tables students were most interested in - this is a new feature in Handshake