Why Student Life in ECS?

- Voluminous research on college student development shows the time and energy students devote to educationally purposeful activities is the single best predictor of their learning and personal development (Kuh, et al., 2005).

Seven Principles for Good Practice

- Chickering and Gamson, 1987
- Student-faculty contact
- Cooperation among students
- Active Learning
- Prompt feedback
- Time on task
- High expectations
- Respect for diverse talents and ways of learning

Student Engagement

- Time and effort students put into their studies and activities...
- How the institution allocates resources and organizes learning opportunities and services to induce students to participate and benefit from such activities (Kuh, et al., 2005).
New Staff
- Academic Advisor
  - Ms. Ida Jamshidi
  - Start Date: May 23, 2011
- LLC Program Coordinator
  - TBA
  - Start Date: September 1, 2011
- Graduate Assistant for Student Success
  - Ms. Erin Stamile

Renaissance Scholars
At the end of the program, Scholars always ask, “Can we just stay here?” And our answer is, “Yes, you can!”
- Class of 2007:
  - 31 of 43 are at Baylor (72%)
- Class of 2008:
  - 25 out of 40 are at Baylor (63%)
- Class of 2009:
  - 20 out of 43 are at Baylor (46%)
- Class of 2010:
  - Received $18,000 grant from the State of Texas
  - 33 of 65 have deposited to Baylor for this fall (52%)
- Class of 2011:
  - Received $20,000 grant from the State of Texas

Line Camp
“Baylor Line Camp generates enthusiasm and excitement for all new students while encouraging them to engage in the Baylor community, invest in longtime traditions, cultivate meaningful friendships, and explore their personal calling.”
- 2009
  - 75 Students
- 2010
  - 92 Students
- 2011
  - 120 Students

First Year Seminar
- Delta Leaders
- Peer Mentoring
- Pilot Program in Fall of 2010
  - 300 plus students in one large session
  - 6 Weeks
  - Etiquette, Missions, Waco, Spiritual Life, & More!
- What’s New in 2011
  - Faculty Integration
  - Flexible Sessions
  - Improved Curriculum and Infrastructure

“Last year, 100% of the students who completed the Baylor Line Camp evaluation agreed or strongly agreed that Baylor Line Camp helped them connect with other new students in their major.”
- Emily Sandvall, Line Camp Director
Living Learning Center
- 272 Students (102 are female—38%)
- Average SAT above 1300
- Faculty Integration
- Educational Programming
  - Paintball, DPH, Pottery, Semi-Formal, Intramurals, Professional Development, Bible Studies, Worship Nights, Guest Lectures, Community Discussions, and More!
- Leadership Council
  - “The Heartbeat”

Enrollment Management
- 2006 – 2,898 Inquiries
  2011 – 6,900 Inquiries...138%
- 2006 – 1,662 Applicants
  2010 – 3,916 Applicants...136%
- 2006 – 624 Acceptances
  2010 – 1,733 Acceptances...177% (7.0% decrease from 2010)
- 2011 – 1,616 Acceptances...158%
- 2006 – 202 Deposits
  2010 – 330 Deposits...63%
  2011 – 369 Deposits...82% (12% increase from 2010)

Retention
- Suspension/Probation
- Early Alert System
- ECS Study Skills Course
- Success Center Liaison
- Tutoring
- Weekly meetings w/ students
- Student Engagement
  - Line Camp, Welcome Week, First Year Seminar, Peer Mentors.
- Academic Advisor

Student Issues
- Mental Health
- Lack of Preparation for College
- Time Management
- Study Skills
- Motivation
Conclusion

- Questions