# Transition Improvement Plan Institution: East Georgia State College

Key Elements (indicate your priorities below):						
	Scope of Transition		Differentiation		Taking Care of Business	
	Orchestrated Guidance		Academic and Social Integration		Designed for Humans	
	Purposeful Choice		Build A Support Team			
	Course Registration		Begin with the End In Mind			

#### **Priority Areas and Key Changes**

Identify your top priority areas for improvement from the list of Key Elements above. For each priority area, identify the primary change or improvement that you will implement for the incoming fall 2019 cohort.

Use a new table for each priority area you will work on.

(select	Priority Area 1 from the Key Elements listed above):  Orchestrated Guidance
	Current Status: Admissions, orientation, CATS primarily, early alert/retention team
fBreakout 2	Goals (what do you want to accomplish):  Enable students to make personal connections with campus representatives. Facilitate entry into the College. Impact retention and completion rates. Rebrand the institution's image as a First Choice institution.
Breakout 3	Strategies (what will you do to change):  Establish peer leaders in CATS Connect advising champions to student cohorts Representatives from each division/department/program/school as advocate Set up ask EGSC chat on web - automated responses for some potential issues Develop a Solution Center and use LMS or other resource to distribute Ensure that students on all campuses have here same level support/use technology

	Develop more materials on transfer and embed in orientation and in core courses
	Responsible person/unit: Deborah Vess (Solution center); Karen Jones (ask EGSC enhancements)
Breakout 4	Success indicators: Increase retention rates by 5 percent. Decrease drops for non-payment by 5 percent.

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Priority Area 5 (select from the Key Elements listed above):  Scope of Transition				
	Current Status:  Transition activities largely limited to admissions, orientation, and CATS courses.  Admissions issues in terms of contact.  Orientation communications.			
Breakout 2	Limited involvement of student life.  Goals (what do you want to accomplish):			
	Redesign the First-Year Experience so that it goes beyond the first semester and the CATS course. Make intentional connections to career connections throughout the curriculum. Enhance the role of student life. Connect students to their majors.			
	Strategies (what will you do to change):			
	Create study groups in the majors and meta majors and connect to the ACE. Provide support so that study groups go beyond CATS.  Develop assignments in courses that require students to research connection of course knowledge, skills, and abilities to career goals.			
Breakout 3	Intentionally connect core and focus course outcomes and assignments to career contexts.  Redesign communications from admissions and orientation- punctuated, branded, focused on elements necessary for success.  Develop outreach programs for each program to connect with students as soon as they apply.  Involve CATS instructors in outreach program.  Make use of texting to recruit/admit/communicate through the process.			

Incorporate first-year issues and concerns in ENGL 1102 and COMM courses. Consider institutional options as areas to expand the first-year experience.

Develop a second-semester course - refocus existing core course.

	Responsible person/unit: Faculty advising champions/deans/Dr. Vess/Georgia Matthews, admissions communications
Breakout 4	Success indicators: Increase enrollment in first-year Area A/Area B learning communities by 10 percent. Increase student participation in co-curricular activities and the Service Seal of Distinction by 20 percent.

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Add more tables for additional Priority Areas as needed.

EGSC One Blg Idea: Making connections for students and their support network between the time of application, graduation, and transfer that are preemptive and comprehensive. EGSC will develop a multicampus, multi-divisional, collaborative solution center with a virtual presence focused on helping students to remove barriers to the achievement of personal, educational, and career goals.