

# Listening Session Summary

## Students

Monday, February 17, 2025

### Breakout Group 1

**Instructions:**

- Group 1 Breakout
- Take the Tri-C logo, identify what you appreciate and what you would like to improve on.
- Use the sticky notes to identify what you appreciate and what you would like to improve on.
- Working in pairs, students will be split into two groups. One group will be responsible for the 'What we like' section and the other for the 'What we would like to improve on' section.

**1 Reflecting on our vision...** ⌚ 12 min

Consider the Tri-C vision you just heard, what aspects of this vision resonate with you the most, and why?

**2 Reflecting on our mission...** ⌚ 12 min

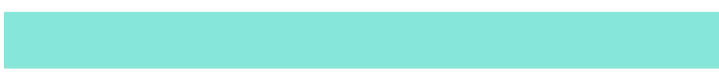
What makes Tri-C special to you in helping you achieve your educational goals?

**3 Reflecting on our mission...** ⌚ 12 min

What skills, knowledge or competencies do you most want to obtain or grow during your time at Tri-C?

**4 Reflecting on our values...** ⌚ 12 min

What values or virtues would you like Tri-C to have that might help you achieve your educational goals?



Add a sticky note with your *NAME* and how many *YEARS* you've been connected with Tri-C

Double-click on the canvas to add a sticky note.

Stomp  
5 years

Antonio  
2 years

Joshua

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Monica  
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## Question 1

Reflecting on our Vision: Consider the context and vision casting message you just heard, what resonated with you the most? What challenges do you see?

### Summary

Adapting to change in higher education is essential to avoid being left behind. Proper planning and understanding the evolution of education, especially at Tri-C, are crucial.

Connecting with others can help us navigate these changes. Education is evolving, and students must be aware of these shifts.

Positive and negative perceptions of higher education exist, and it's important to control the narrative in a challenging political and media environment.

Preparing for changes, including reaccreditation processes, and promoting the benefits of higher education are key to a successful future.

### Responses

#### **Embracing Change and Future Planning**

adapt now or be left behind. for the college and even college students

Change is an exciting and scary process

connecting with others because I believe each and every one of us could help each other in different ways.

It is important to understand where we once were and where we are now, as far as how things have changed over the years at Tri- C

Its important to not let things happen to up and it is essential that we make an effort to plan for our future

proper planning promotes perfect performance

We don't want do it now but we have to

#### **Evolution of Higher Education**

education is changing and we need to be aware as students

higher education being viewed positively and negatively

i think education is changing for better the education system has been rigged for years

Preparing for a possibly confrontational reaccreditation process being conducted by a belligerent Department of Education.

The speech is directly connected to future and what we all need to expect

There will be a major change over the next 5 years

#### **Promoting Higher Education**

Creating a positive atmosphere around pursuing higher edcation

Promoting the advantages

The importance of taking control of the Higher Education narrative in a political and media environment that disparages it

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## Question 2

Reflecting on our Mission: What unique strengths or characteristics does Tri-C have that differentiate it from other local educational options that give our students a competitive advantage in getting a good paying job or getting their BA?

## Summary

The responses highlight the various support services and resources available to students, including personalized attention, counseling for personal and academic issues, high-quality veteran services, small classes, financial assistance, tutoring centers, and pantry services.

There are also opportunities for scholarships and programs to transition to 4-year colleges, such as TRIO BRIDGES TO BACCALAUREATE.

The college is noted for its commitment to education, providing high-quality labs, student-led events, and mentors, and addressing students' personal needs.

Overall, it is described as a highly skilled institution with numerous resources to support student education and personal well-being.

## Responses

### **College Preparation Programs**

programs that support students' efforts. TRIO BRIDGES TO BACCALAUREATE.

They provide mentors for students.

They provide opportunities for you to go to a 4-year college such as scholarships and scholarship programs.

### **Innovative Learning Programs**

This is a very highly Skills College

Tri-c has a wonderful learning forum

Tri-c know the jobs of the future and has a program that help make learning possible

Tri-C understands the need for a good education

### **Other**

Scholarships high quality labs

small personalized classes

so many resources

student led events

the pantry, Emergency fund, meeting basic needs

They genuinely care about your personal life and provide resources for the struggles you may be facing in your personal life.

They provide mentors for students.

This is a very highly Skills College

tri - has given me a wide range of resources to help me further me education regarding education and my personal life

### **Student Support Services**

Financial assistance

General support Pantry tutoring center

the pantry, Emergency fund, meeting basic needs

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### **Supportive Academic Environment**

High quality veteran services and support

I can go to counseling about personal conversations and not just for academics which helps me to be able to focus on school without feeling overwhelmed

personalized attention

small personalized classes

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## Question 3

Reflecting on our Mission: What skills, knowledge or competencies do you think are most critical for students entering today's job market, either immediately after leaving Tri-C or after further education?

## Summary

Emphasized networking, collaboration, and open communication.

Advocate for oneself, step out of comfort zones, and maintain professionalism.

Develop scientific knowledge, organizational skills, problem-solving, public speaking, and time management.

Adapt to new technology and balance technical and communication skills.

## Responses

### **Other**

Communication Skills along with the Tech Skill is very important  
communication skills. social interaction. professionalism  
organization

Public Speaking Skills

The most important item is keep moving with the new Tech that we will all be require to know

### **Personal Development and Preparation**

advocating for myself and communicating with others and step out of my com zones

in depth basic scientific knowledge and understanding. preparation for Bachelors of science and graduate programs.

learning good problem solving skills

organizational skills. planning, studying habits/stategies. self discipline

### **Student Engagement and Communication**

An open communication line is very important

Keep maintaining an open line of communication with the student body  
networking skills

There needs to be a great emphasis on learning how to work together to solve problems

### **Work Ethic and Time Management**

Being Punctual

Professionalism

Time management

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## Question 4

Reflecting on our Values: What institutional values might we need to nurture or develop further to meet the challenges ahead?

### Summary

The focus is on adaptability, consistency, compassion, and emotional intelligence in higher learning.

There are initiatives to enhance accessibility for students with diverse educational backgrounds and to ensure equality in services regardless of enrollment level.

Emphasis is placed on student mental wellbeing, personal life, and empathy, particularly for those in need.

Regular meetings discuss changes in learning and public dissemination, and there is dedication to helping students adapt to technology, ensuring tech updates like Brightspace are in place.,

### Responses

#### **Emotional Support and Adaptability**

adaptability

compassion

compassion from faculty that helps to inspire us towards our true goals

emotional intelligence

#### **Inclusive Educational Initiatives**

accessibility initiatives to meet the needs of a broad spectrum of students with different educational backgrounds

Consistency

equality to services no matter what level of enrollment you are in

#### **Other**

dedication and patience with helping students adapt to using technology

Empathy

empathy for all students especially as it relates to the ones most in need

making sure tech is updated brightspace

Students Personal life

#### **Social Engagement and Wellbeing**

A great focus on people working together address social issues

Having regular meeting about changes in how we learn and how to carry that information to the public

Students mental Wellbeing

There should be a great emphasis on learning how to bring people together to