

# Utilizing Blackboard Communities to Facilitate Online Advising

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# Hazard Community and Technical College

- Five campuses spread over four counties
- Average 6000 of students per year
  - 7,568 students in some form of online class in the 2006-2007 academic year pooled from areas beyond Hazard
  - 256,803 online students in the Kentucky community and Technical college system
- 836.6% increase in number of students taking online classes from 2001-2007
- Source: Hazard Community and Technical College Institutional Research Department

# Why Online Advising?

- Based on institutional profile why would there be a need for online advising?
- What are the Pros and Cons?

# BlackBoard eCommunity

- What would be needed for an Online Advising Center?

# Advisors

- What kind of training would the advisors need?

# Students

- What kind of information would the students need to be able to use the site?

# Communication

- Real Time vs Email/Discussion Post
- Which should be used?
- Why?

# Live Classroom

- Demonstration of Live Classroom Technology to create an Online Advising Center
- <http://elearning.kctcs.edu/>