

## **VCT Host-Provider Model Overview**

By the terms of VCT's Host-Provider Model, a student may enroll in the local (Host) community college to take a course that is taught by an instructor who is located at another college (Provider). The Host college student participates in the class along with students enrolled at the instructor's home college. The sharing of distance learning instruction among Host-Provider partnering colleges contributes to a more efficient statewide utilization of technology and administrative and student services, in addition to instruction.

### **The Host College--**

- applies the same due diligence in selecting courses to host that it does when determining courses to originate. This includes ensuring that deans approve courses hosted and that Provider instructor qualifications meet the college's, SACS, and other appropriate accreditation bodies' requirements,
- enrolls students locally to take courses taught by Provider faculty located at other colleges, which enroll their own students in the same courses,
- pays Provider colleges a per-student instructional fee and receives tuition from student,
- provides VCT-enrolled students with the same slate of student services offered to all other students,
- administers tests as directed by Provider colleges' instructors,
- administers end-of-semester course evaluations,
- awards course credit and includes the Provider courses on the Host college's transcript.

### **The Provider College--**

provides instructors who--

- define course content and instructional methodologies,
- direct all class activities, including assignments and tests,
- treat students enrolled at Host colleges in the same manner as they treat students enrolled at their own college,
- award final grades,
- charge each Host college a per-student instructional fee.

### **VCT Benefits to Colleges and their Students**

- Students throughout Texas have access to distance learning courses from community colleges statewide. This access reduces the likelihood that a student will not be able, at a critical point, to enroll in a course in the semester it is needed.
- Students are supported with quality, locally-delivered learning resources and services.
- Students pay in-district tuition if they are in-district students at the Host college.
- Students earn credit at their local college rather than having to enroll in multiple colleges throughout Texas and transfer credits.