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MEMORANDUM

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Utah College Access Advisers

With the 2021 expansion of the UCAC program, a total of **93 schools** will be served directly by Access Advisers support. Advisers will be embedded in their schools using three models:

- Advisers serving schools with a senior class of over 200 students, with a college-going rate of less than 48%, will do so in a one-to-one model. Each high school that meets these criteria will have a single adviser dedicated to their school throughout the year.
- Advisers serving schools with a senior class of fewer than 200 students will work in a cluster model. Clusters of smaller rural schools have been identified where a single adviser can serve the cluster, ensuring a regular and dependable schedule of in-person visits each week.
- Advisers serving rural schools with a senior class smaller than 50 will work in a remote-predominant model. These advisers will be stationed at the Office of the Commissioner, connecting with students via video conference, phone, email, and text. In addition, remote advisers will travel to each of their schools multiple times a year to foster in-person connections.

Nicole Batt, Assistant Dean in the Office of Engagement at the University of Utah and Executive Director of the Utah College Advising Corps, will update the committee on the expansion as well as how the program promotes equity for underrepresented students.

Commissioner's Recommendation

This is a discussion item only; no action is required.