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### Institutional Effectiveness Through Strategic Analytics

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### What We Want to Share With You

- Information delivery challenges we've observed in higher education
- Information Builders' customer examples of solutions to those challenges

### **Challenges Facing You Today**

- Our political environment demands results as a precursor to public investment.
- Improving efficiency is demanded for today's fiscal realities.
- The need for quality is ever-present and involves a clear focus on enrollment, retention, and student outcomes.





## Accountability – A Culture of Evidence

- The ability to share best practices and leverage successes from other higher education institutions can truly address many of your challenges.
- Transparency and accountability
  - Longitudinal performance to board, state, and public
- Empowering end user access to data for decision-making in real-time is critical to achieving efficiency and effectiveness of the organization





### Bill Gates in Wall Street Journal, 1-25-2013

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My Plan to Fix the World's Biggest Problems

"From the fight against polio to fixing education, what's missing is often good measurement and a commitment to follow the data. We can do better. We have the tools at hand."



### **Bottom Line**

- Your core mission, new requirements from government place greater demands on your institution than ever before
- Both public and private institutions are being encouraged to reconsider their missions
- Strategies for improvement need to come from higher education community



### Impact on Staff

- Academic program coordinator shared:
  - She does academic advising, working one-on-one with students, & working with student schedules.
  - To find most likely candidates for the Engineering Honors program, she would pull transcripts, checking qualifications for scholarships – took 2 weeks of effort
- An institutional research department of 5 people spends a full month each year to create its fact book -- labor that must be re-started annually.
  - Manually, Excel-based, error-prone
- The provost of Princeton University testified
  - Renewing accreditation ran over \$1 million, hundreds of hours of staff time.
- Large community college wanted greater accountability, and an information interface suitable for the board
  - Were planning to invest 3 years into creating a data warehouse...
  - And then **begin** building the dashboard



### Addressing the Problem

- Use of academic dashboards allow the board to make the best use of their funds through strategic, datadriven decisions.
- Use of self-service analytics to functional units and the public increases efficiency, reduces dependence on IT

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# Why Us?

- Information Builders is the only solution provider that brings it all together. With intelligence, integration, and integrity offerings to help higher educational institutions by:
- Helping You Show Accountability Toward Your Strategic Goals with boardroom-quality dashboards & a comprehensive performance management framework.
- Providing Reporting & Advanced Analytics, that help empower Smarter Decision-Making across all levels & functions.



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### Why Us?

- Providing a scalable architecture for deploying wide-scale,
   Public-Facing Institutional Intelligence applications, such as interactive fact books.
- Solutions for unifying data from diverse sources, with data integrity, to achieve a 360-degree View of Students, teachers, and schools



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### Examples of Customers We're Helping

### **Provide Institutional Accountability**

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**Houston Community College**, an Achieving the Dream Leader College, needed to collect performance data, analyze it, and present it in a way that encourages fact-based decisionmaking.

Strategy: Give administrators, staff, and the board power to drill down into the data through graphical dashboards.

Result: The new system helps the college document and evaluate decisions, measure enrollment, track student outcomes. It also eases communication, helping the college to make tough budgetary decisions based on broadly accepted performance indicators.

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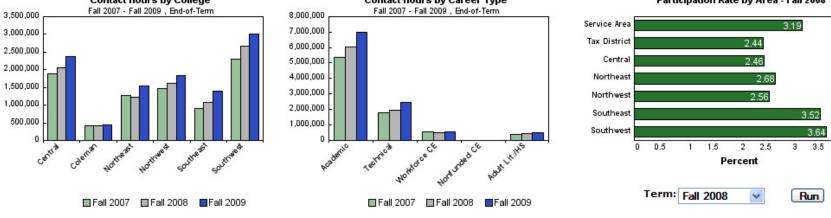


### Let's go to HCC's Academic Dashboard now!



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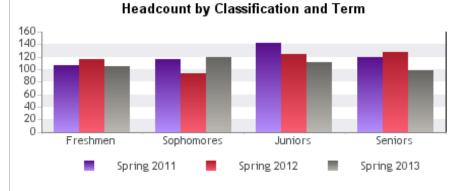
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**Stephen F. Austin State University** wanted to use a dashboard instead of the old Fact Book format.

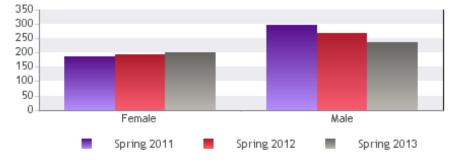
- Users can locate all the elements of data that were available in the traditional Fact Book with more functionality
- More semesters of data are available for analysis in one location
- Parameters allow the user to focus on a specific area of interest if desired.







Headcount by Major and Gender

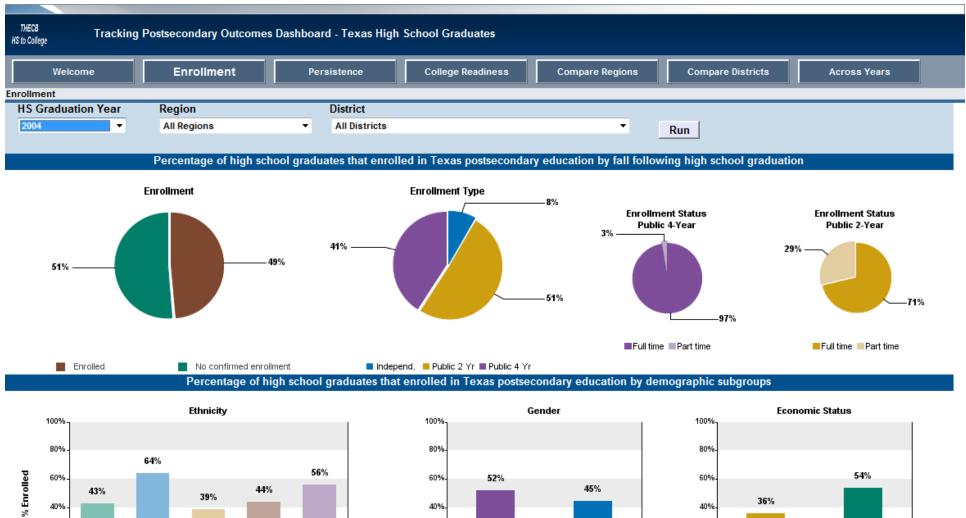


# **Closing Reporting Gaps**

- Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board needed to
  - Increase operational efficiency
  - Improve the monitoring of key metrics and milestones
  - Enhance communication with the public
- Result: By eliminating cumbersome manual reporting processes and printed reports, and making information instantly available to users inside and outside the agency
  - THECB has the insight it needs to meet its goals as well as to increase visibility and accountability.



### Information **Regional and District Accountability** Ruilders Home | THECB Main Website About Our Data | About THECB | $\stackrel{\text{Contact Us}}{T \star E} \star X \star A \star S$ GO Search HIGHER EDUCATION DATA Overview (Quick Links) | External Data Resources | Online Applications | Higher Education Topics | High School to College (P-16) | Reporting to THECB | A-Z Index Policymakers Texas Higher Education Fall Enrollment and % of State Population by Race/Ethnicity Accountability, almanac, financials... 700.000 5.7% 5.6% 5.6% 600.000 Parents, Students & K-12 Educators Online Resume, H.S. to college stats.. 500,000 4.5% 4.0% PUBLIC HIGHER 2015 Closing the Gaps Goal for all groups: 5.7% 400.000 Media Overview, Almanac, Press Releases. 300.000 Hispani 6.5% 7.0% 200.000 5.2% Institutions and Researchers 100.000 Reporting data, statistics... ofrican An 2011 Career and Workforce Educators Perkins, WECM, Workforce Topics **Overview (Quick Links)** Online Applications Higher Education Topics High School to College (P-16) Closing the Gaps Accountability >>>Participation 7th Grade Cohorts Closing the Gaps Dashboard Community College Annual 7th Grade Cohorts Dashboard Applicants/Acceptance/Enrollment Reporting Tool (CARAT) Data Resources Overview Dual Credit Data Developmental Ed Data (TSI) Course and Program Inventories Latest News Degrees - Statewide HS Grads Enrolled in Higher Ed Developmental Ed Survey (DEPS) Facilities Inventory Enrollment - Statewide Data Resources for HS Grads GPA in Higher Ed Distance Ed Data 02/06/2013 Online Institutional Resumes LBB Measures Higher Ed Almanac HS Grads Higher Ed Outcomes Enrollment Forecast Profile Reports (PREP) Higher Ed Locator Map (HELM) HS Grads Higher Ed Preparation Student Migration Report Online Institutional Regional Portal (TSI) 02/04/2013 Resumes: 2013 List of Institutions **Texas Higher Ed Enrollments** More... Tracking Postsecondary Outcomes Update Media Advisories More... Dashboard Reports and Publications More. Enrollment Forecast >>>Success 2013-2020 for Texas Texas Higher Ed Facts 01/25/2013 Colleges and Annual Licensure Report Reporting to THECB More... Universities Gainful Employment - Placement CBM Reporting Status Rate External Data Resources CBM Reporting Manuals Texas Higher Graduation Rates College for all Texans Education CIP Codes 01/25/2012



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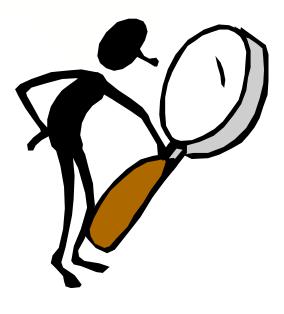
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- 2. Get support from the top
- 3. Set priorities
- 4. Have a plan
- 5. Hire great people
- 6. Develop partnerships
- 7. Use the right tools

- 8. Accept help where needed
- 9. Keep on task
- 10. Monitor progress
- 11. Celebrate successes along the way
- 12. Decide what to do next



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Decision support system is a way to model data and make quality decisions based upon it.



### **Key Questions**

- Who makes decisions
- What decisions are made
- What information is needed
- How is it organized
- When is it needed

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# 2. Get support from the top



the strategic plan for our future

# HCC's 2008-11 Strategic Plan

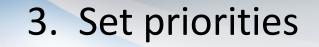
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Goal 6—Accountability and Strategic Decisionmaking

Develop an institutional dashboard to document and evaluate the results of decisions.

### **SACS Compliance Audit**

- General Information about HCC
- 2.8 Faculty
- 3.3.1.1 IE Instructional Programs

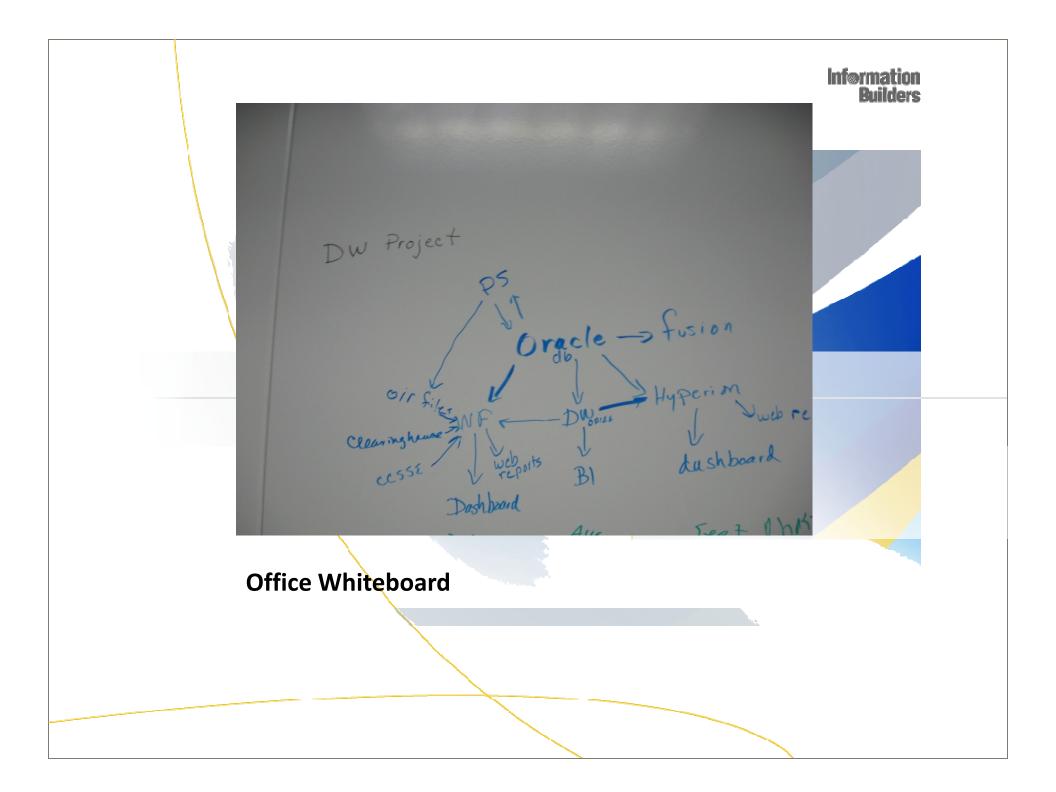


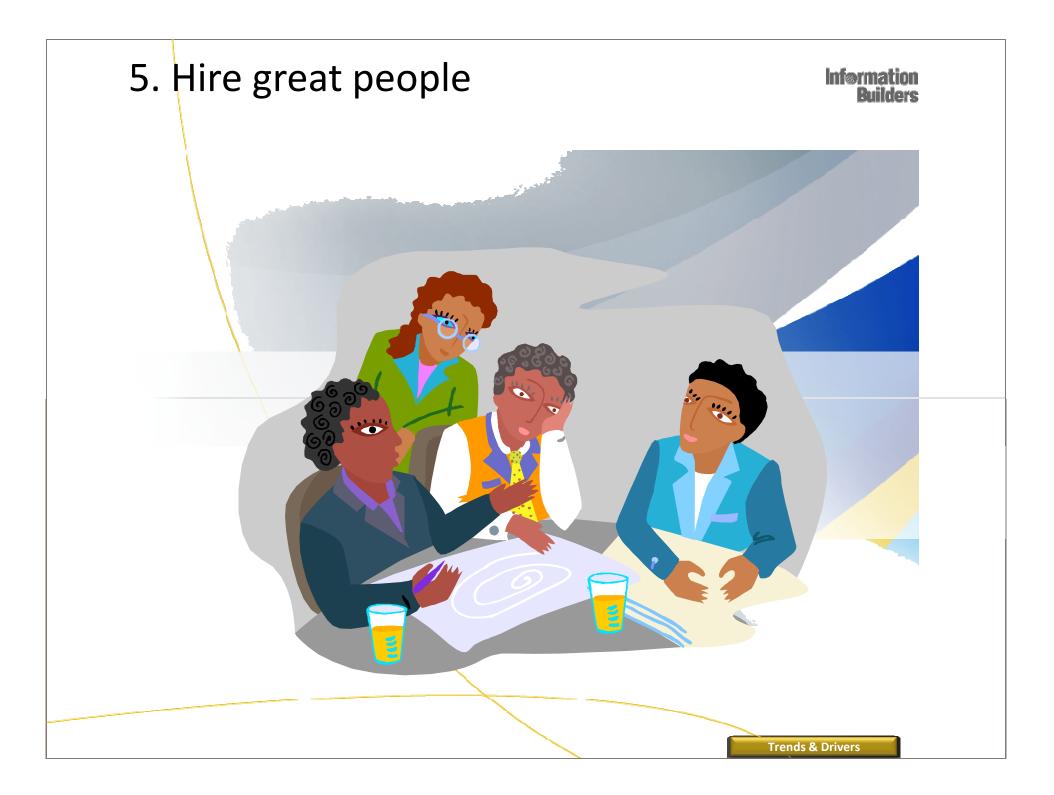
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Phased implementation

- Phase 1: Academic Dashboard (2009-10)
- Phase 2: Program Review (2010-11)
- Phase 3: Integration with HCC Intranet (2011)
- Phase 4: 2012 Strategic Plan (2012)
- Phase 5: QEP dashboard (2012-13)







### 6. Develop partnerships

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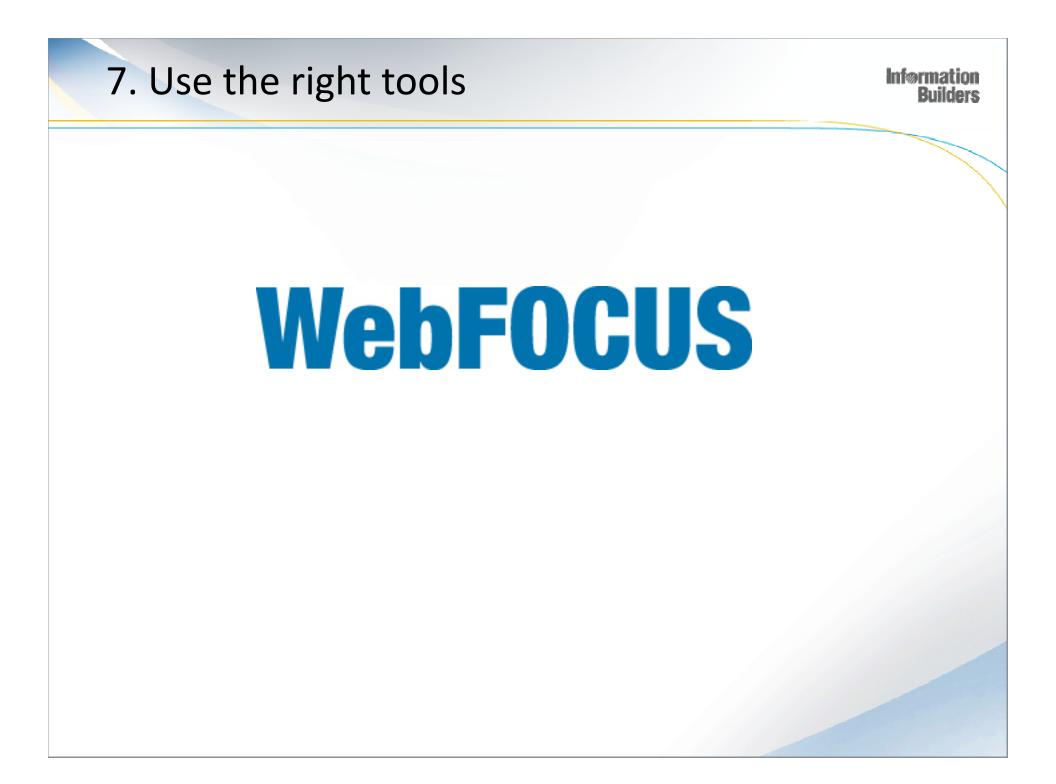
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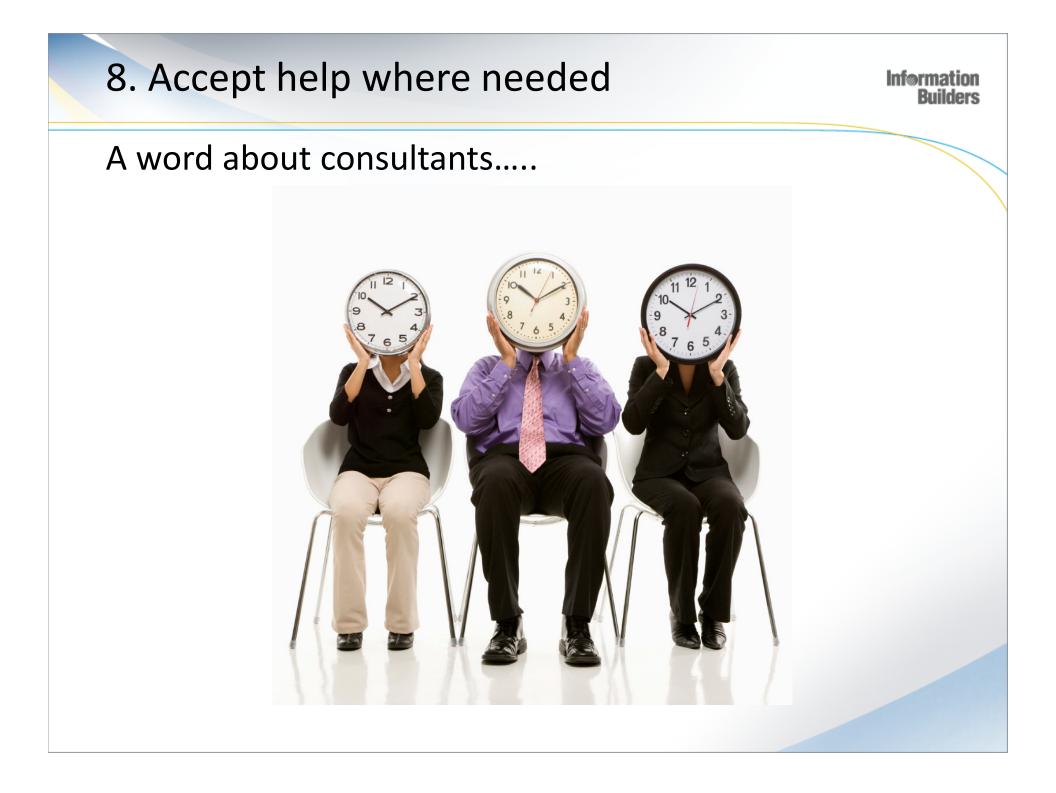


- Decisions makers
- Stakeholders
- IR staff

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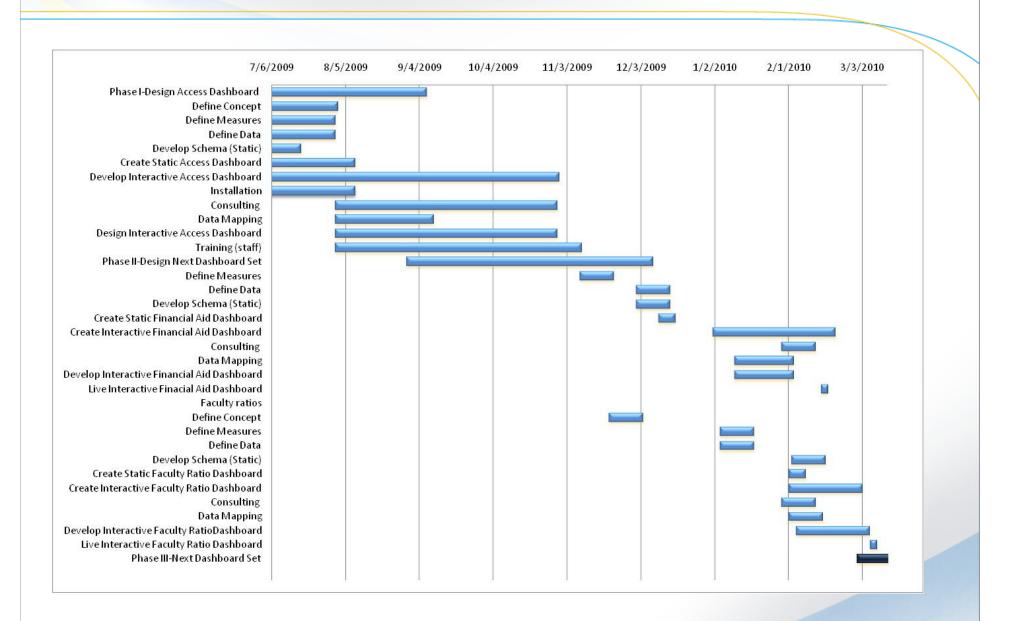


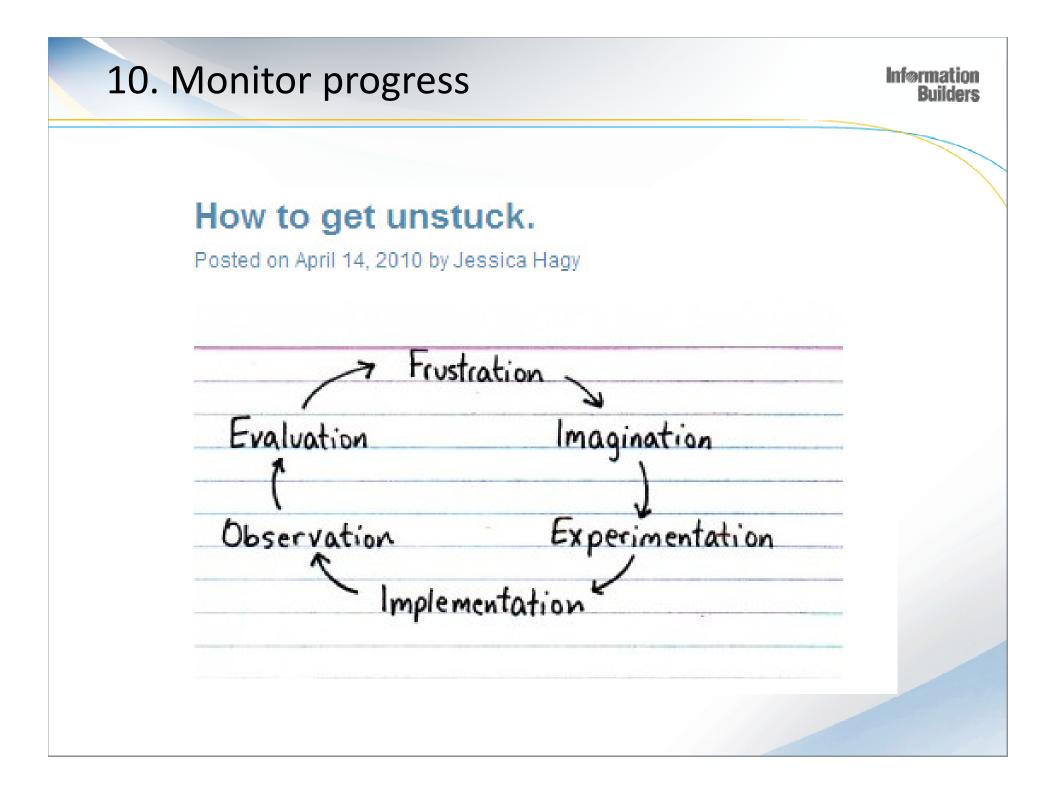




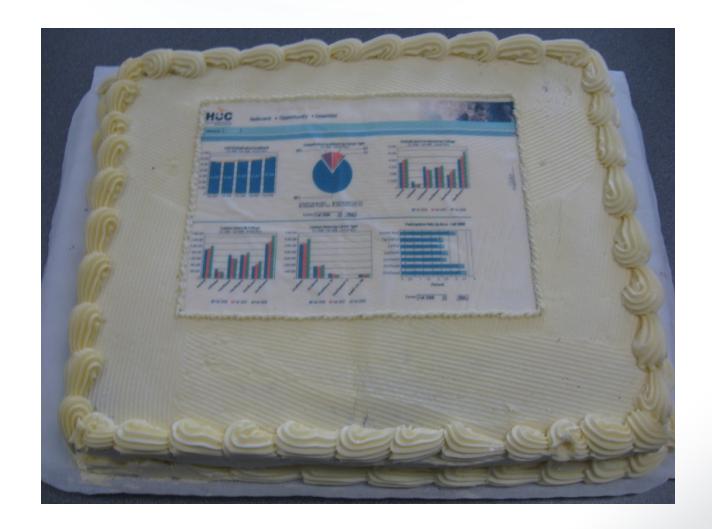
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### 9. Keep on task





### 11. Celebrate successes along the way



### **Public Facing Websites**

- Houston Community College www.hccs.edu/hccs/at-a-glance/districtoffices/institutional-research/academic-dashboard/academic-dashboard
- Tarleton State University <u>http://www.tarleton.edu/institutionalresearch</u>
  - Click on "Texan Facts"
- Texas A&M University Commerce
  - http://www.tamu-commerce.edu/approot/public/irfactbook/
- Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board
  - http://www.txhighereddata.org/
  - Link to <u>Tracking Postsecondary Outcomes Dashboard</u> is on the right, 8<sup>th</sup> entry under High School to College (p-16).
- Stephen F. Austin State University
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# Information Builders In Higher Education Why Us?

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"We can now compare and communicate educational and administrative strategy, monitor and adjust the execution of limited budget dollars effectively, and gain real-time access to critical highlevel summary information about the college."

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### Coming up on April 2

- Join us for Higher Education Virtual User Forum
  - Taylor University
  - "Student Success Insights From Predictive Analytics"
- Dr. Edwin Welch, Director of Institutional Research / Associate Registrar
  - Will present how predictive analytics is helping his Academic Enrichment Center make better use of its resources.
- He was also featured in an article in Information Week on January 28, "To Avoid Nasty Surprises, Higher Ed Turns to Prediction"



