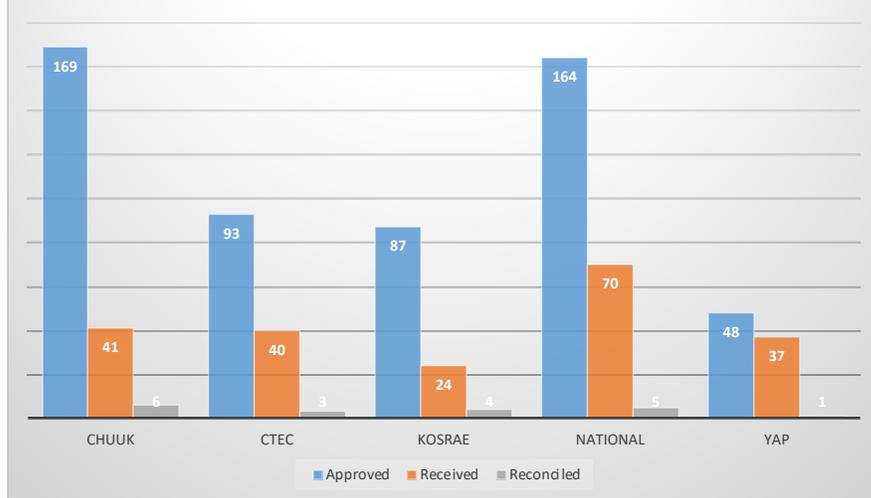


## Information Technology Office

### We Care Laptops

The college began disbursing laptops to students at the end of Summer 2021 at no charge. A total of 561 students from across all campuses applied and were approved for the initiative. Students who had purchased a laptop at the campus Bookstore during the Summer 2021 term were given the option to either reconcile their purchase or receive a new laptop. Of the 561 approved for distribution, 212 students have received laptops and 19 have elected to reconcile their accounts. Laptops are on order to fulfill the remaining 330 student laptops. The initiative is also open for Fall 2021 and more laptops will be distributed to additional students who apply across the college.

**We Care Laptop Distribution**



### sharkspace@comfsm.edu.fm

The IT Office introduced Google Workspace to the college in August via the College Summit. The initiative is code named "sharkspace", a name derived by Professor Dana Lee Ling who is also on the deployment team. This will be the college's new email platform that also introduces many productivity applications it comes with such as: Calendars, Google Drive, Google Docs, Google Forms, and Google Meet to name a few. It would take an approximate timeline of one year for the transition onto the new platform college-wide.



Google Workspace is being offered to the college at no cost as a non-profit institution. It is integrated into the colleges student's database (SIS), as well as the Canvas learning management system. The transition will see @comfsm.edu.fm take over the traditional email address @comfsm.fm. The new platform also introduces modern email capabilities, better email security and spam management, and opens up the opportunity for other technology changes and integrations as the college looks towards offering courses online, and the continuous improvement of its technology services. Because the service is free, all graduating students may continue to use email and its services for life. This introduces the college to an opportunity to leverage communications and data with its alumni.

### Office of Institutional Effectiveness

This year's College Summit saw the participation of 327 employees across the college campuses. Each island held its own summit in conjunction with the other campuses focused on the *Turning Points: Evaluation of Strategic Plan, Mission and Values*.

Prior to the summit all participants were surveyed to pick three measures of success from a total of nine where the college needed to focus on. The choices fueled the discussions at the summit that tied into the Quality Focus Essay (QFE) aspect of the College's Accreditation Report. The three top measures of success discussed were: (1) Student-Faculty Interaction; (2) Academic Challenge; and (3) Enrollment increased by 5%.

Post Summit assessment feedback showed that participants understood the purpose of the discussions and topics that were entertained. Overall reaction of the summit showed that participants enjoyed the summit activities and enjoyed returning to activities that involved a controlled face-to-face atmosphere.

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On July 22, 2021, Yap Campus held its commencement ceremony for its 38 graduates for fall 2020 (24), spring 2021 (11), and summer 2021 (3). This was a very special event as the campus graduated its first group of students receiving the baccalaureate of science degrees in elementary education. The following are the degrees and certificates conferred:

Program	Graduates
BS in Elementary Education	4
Third-Year Certificate of Achievement in Teacher Preparation-Elementary	9
Third-Year Certificate of Achievement in Public Health	2
Third-Year Certificate of Achievement in General Business	1
Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts	2
Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts/HCOP	2
Associate of Arts in Pre-Teacher Preparation	5
Associate of Science in Business Administration	1
Certificate of Achievement in Agriculture and Food Technology	4
Certificate of Achievement in Electronics Engineering Technology	1
Certificate of Achievement in Bookkeeping	2
Certificate of Achievement in Nursing Assistant	5



**327 Summit Participants**

