

1. Bakersfield College, particularly the Panorama Campus, attracts a diverse community of students who often spend long hours on campus to advance their education. While the college has made commendable strides in supporting the mental well-being of students, it's equally important to address their physical health. Currently, there seems to be a gap in meeting these physical wellness needs. Are there any plans or initiatives in place to provide a gym or fitness facility that would be accessible to all students in the near future?
2. Student support services like the Writing Center and Math Learning Center are valuable resources that help students succeed academically. What strategies are currently in place or being developed to better promote these services and ensure that more students are aware of and utilize these resources?
3. Campus safety is a top priority, and the college safety shuttles play a crucial role in ensuring students feel secure while moving around campus, especially during late hours. What steps are being taken to promote awareness and increase the usage of the safety shuttle services among students?
4. Given the high demand for STEM courses and the importance of these fields in shaping our students' futures, are there any plans to hire additional instructors for STEM programs to accommodate the increasing number of students and enhance the quality of education in these critical disciplines?
5. As many of us are aware, the ongoing construction around campus has significantly impacted parking availability and increased traffic congestion. Could you share any specific solutions or initiatives that are being implemented to address these challenges and improve the overall parking and traffic situation for students?
6. Many STEM students are eager for more paid research opportunities and hands-on lab experience to strengthen their preparation for transferring to four-year universities. What initiatives or potential funding strategies do you have in place to expand on-campus research projects and provide more support for STEM students?