



Bakersfield College President's Report

to the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees
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Bakersfield College shows strong increase in enrollments

The April 6th enrollment report shows a significant increase in FTES this spring over last spring. BC is up 7.8%, with the district as a whole up 6.1%.

BC's productivity ratio, FTES/FTEF, remains strong at 17.3.

Looking forward, the BC Instruction and Student Affairs teams are strategizing on a more comprehensive summer school for 2016.

For example, we plan to have 2,000 students who will be going through our Summer Bridge program this year. In the summer before the 2014-15 academic year, 184 students participated in summer bridge orientation.

Bakersfield College (Westec Excluded)	Point-in-Time Comparison ¹				Spring 2015 FTES as a % of the Eventual Term-End ⁵	Spring 2016 FTES as a % of Spring Target ⁶
	Spring 2015	Spring 2016	Diff	% Chg		
Current Headcount	16,504	17,839	1,335	8.1%		
Duplicated Enrollments	51,832	54,201	2,369	4.6%		
Waitlisted Enrollments ²	6	17	11	183.3%		
Current FTES³	6,116.1	6,590.5	474.4	7.8%	97.3%	97.6%
Workload (FTEF)	360.0	381.8	21.8	6.1%		6,749.2
FTES/FTEF ⁴	17.0	17.3	0.3	1.6%		Spring 2016 Target
Active Sections	1,616	1,715	99	6.1%		

Providing a more immersive experience, the summer bridge program uses a week-long highly interactive structure to ensure students create a comprehensive educational plan, learn how to navigate college policies and access education resources, and build study skills.

Coming Events

Thursday, April 21, 7 p.m.
Renegade Talks
Indoor Theatre

Monday, April 25, 5:30 p.m.
Pre-Law Celebration
Fireside Room

Wednesday, April 27, 8 a.m.
Career Day
Campus Center

Friday, April 29, 9:30 a.m.
Renegade Promise Unveiling
Campus Center Foyer

Thursday, May 5, 5 p.m.
Chicano/Latino Commencement Celebration
Outdoor Theatre

Tuesday, May 10, 6 p.m.
Black Graduates Recognition Ceremony
Indoor Theatre

Friday, May 13, 7 p.m.
Bakersfield College Commencement
Memorial Stadium



KHSD students attend Open House

On April 8, Bakersfield College welcomed over 700 prospective students to our beautiful outdoor theatre on campus as we hosted an open house for the Kern High School District.

After a welcome in the Outdoor Theater, these students had the opportunity to participate in engaging, extended orientation style workshops. Financial Aid 101 taught the basics of navigating the intense world of paying for college. Student Services Campus Tours placed students directly in the departments that will guide them to academic success. College 101 encouraged students to discover life at BC through an exciting, Jeopardy-style game show setting.

The day wrapped up in the Renegade Crossroads with an informative Resource Fair.

Library, Writing Center, Tutoring Center opens in Delano

Thank you to Trustee Romeo Agbalog for attending the April 7 grand opening of the brand new Delano Center Library, Writing Center, and Tutoring Center on the Delano Center campus.

This project began as a joint venture two years ago between the library, academic support services, and administration who shared a vision to bring the same services found on the main campus to the Delano Center. Through careful collaboration and planning, that vision has come to fruition in the form of two redesigned and newly furnished buildings on the Delano campus.

The room formerly used for tutoring has become the new Delano Library, complete with computer lab, a variety of books and materials for check out, and enough space to offer a study area for students. Elisabeth Sundby will serve as Delano's resident 25 hour



Trustee Agbalog and Michele Bresso from the district office attended the grand opening.

per week librarian, and she will be joined once a week by other visiting librarians from the BC main campus in order to extend hours.

The spacious, 50 unit computer lab adjacent to the new Library has been transformed into a shared area that now holds the Tutoring Center and the brand new Delano Writing Center.

This new office boasts two roomy cubicles for private writing consultations, a workshop space with glass partitions to dampen sound, and tables, white boards and computers for

peer tutoring sessions.

Located right next door to each other in rooms 1101 and 1102, the Library, Tutoring Center, and Writing Center are a welcome addition to the Delano Center, which will certainly have a positive impact on the success of rural students in northern Kern County!

Bakersfield College to unveil Renegade Promise on April 29

In Fall 2015, President Obama unveiled the College Promise initiative, prompting colleges and states around the country to reevaluate their student success agendas to prioritize timely completion. The slogan adopted was "free community college," signaling that tuition and fees should not be a barrier to getting a college education.

In response to this national conversation, College Council commissioned a group to work on the Renegade Promise.

This group, led by our BCSGA President Clayton Fowler, Nicky Damania, and Lesley Bonds, has developed the implementation for phase 1 of the Renegade Promise.

We are planning to publicly announce the Renegade Promise on April 29, 2016, with a cohort of about 25 students. We hope to be able to increase this number. This event will be held in tandem with the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards Ceremony presented by the Office of Student Life.

Sterling Silver event honors philanthropists, supports BC Foundation

The Bakersfield College Foundation's Sterling Silver event held on March 31st was a huge success. Bakersfield College honored 2 donors: Mary Trichell and Chevron.

To see the full array of pictures that captures Sterling Silver, please see the BC President's Blog at <https://bcpresidentblog.com/2016/04/09/bc-and-the-community-relationship-runs-deep/>.

Thank you to Trustees Romeo Agbalog and Kyle Carter for coming out to support the Bakersfield College Foundation.

