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Bakersfield College President's Report

to the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees

Sonya Christian, August 13, 2020

Enrollment Update

Based on the July 29th enrollment report prepared by the KCCD Institutional Research Office, BC shows fall 2020 enrollment activity at -10.4% lower than this time last year. Several weeks ago, we were down 30% and have since seen a reversal in the trend with a significant uptick in enrollments. I expect this upward trend to continue with BC's enrollments exceeding those of fall 2019. Summer 2020 enrollments also indicated an initial lag with the final numbers showing an increase of 8% in FTES over the same time last year.

		Point in Time Comparison			
) - 13th Wk of Registration	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Difference	% Difference	
Unduplicated Headcount	19,843	17,260	-2,583	-13.0%	
Current Enrollments	58,445	52,094	-6,351	-10.9%	
Waitlist Count	7,498	2,705	-4,793	-63.9%	
Enrolled FTES	7,039.60	6,306.62	-732.98	-10.4%	
Workload	505.69	528.56	22.87	4.5%	
Student/Faculty Ratio	13.92	11.93	-1.99	-14.3%	
Section Count	2,170	2,258	88	4.1%	

Celebrating the Class of 2020

Kern County came together to celebrate the Renegade Class of 2020 at our first-ever televised Commencement celebration on KGET and Telemundo Valle Central.

Our Class of 2020 televised celebration will go down in the history books as we honored our students' achievements and recognized each 2020 graduate by name.

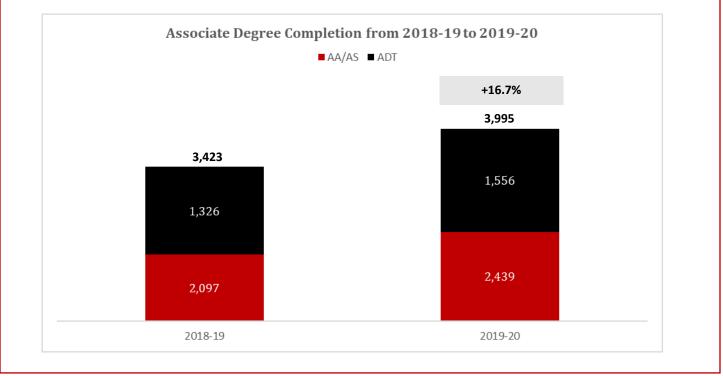
BC also proudly celebrated 96 of our Early college graduates from Wonderful College Prep Academy and Wasco High School who earned their high school diplomas alongside an Associate's degree from BC.

To spread the word in the week leading up to Commencement, BC led a Paint the Town Red campaign, posting flags, banners and yard signs across Kern County to celebrate the Renegade Class of 2020. Dozens of community partners participated to make the week of Commencement special for our graduates.



Data Snippet: Associate Degree Completion

More students than ever before are completing their degrees and certificates - in less time and with fewer units. From 2018-19 to 2019-20, BC significantly increased the number of students earning associate's degrees (AA/ AS/ADTs) from 3,423 awards to 3,995 as of July 28, 2020. While more students are earning AA/AS degrees, ADT awards increased at a higher rate by 17.3 percentage points.

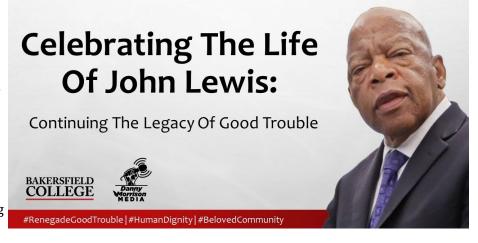


#GoodTrouble: BC Remembers John Lewis

Bakersfield College honored the life and legacy of late civil rights leader and U.S. Congressman John Lewis through a moving series of virtual presentations in the weeks following his passing. Executive Director Steve Watkin gave the opening remarks for our hour-long live-streamed celebration. BC partner Julian West read John

Lewis' speech from the 1963 March on Washington, and Traco Matthews read Lewis' 2015 speech from the 50th anniversary of Bloody Sunday at the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama.

Several BC faculty and staff gave historical context to John Lewis' life, including faculty from the history, political science, business, and English departments. BC students Zariyah Hall, Sha'ron Bradley and Blake Burton also spoke about how John Lewis paved the way for other young activists to follow in his footsteps.



Fall 2020 Opening Week

Join us for BC's Fall 2020 Opening Week.

This year, we will convert our usual Opening Day to a full week of virtual activities. Mark your calendar from 1-3pm Monday, August 17 through Thursday, August 20, and plan to join us for the State of the College address and hear about our plans for the academic year 2020-21.

Fall 2020 Opening Week

Daily, 1-3pm on Zoom

Monday, August 17 Tuesday, August 18 Wednesday, August 19 Thursday, August 20

COVID-19 Update

As California <u>continues to break records</u> for the most COVID-19 deaths in one day and Kern County <u>confirms thousands of new cases every</u> <u>single day</u>, Bakersfield College remains committed to flattening the curve by continuing to serve our students remotely.



When it is safe and appropriate to return to our physical campus, BC is ready. A strong team of faculty and staff have partnered closely with our Executive Team to prepare <u>a comprehensive reopening plan</u> to ensure the students, faculty and staff at all our campuses locations are safe and healthy.

Transfer Spotlight

Congratulations to our Class of 2020 BC Transfer Students.



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