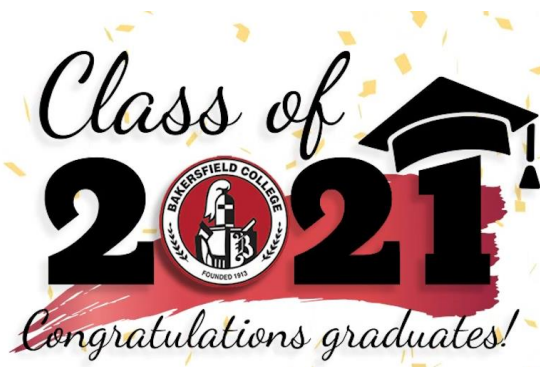


Sonya Christian, May 6, 2021

Join us to Celebrate the Renegade Class of 2021

Bakersfield College's 107th Commencement will once again be both a televised and virtual event, airing on Sunday, May 16, 2021. The program will be viewable on KGET/Channel 17 and on KGET's website and Facebook. Each graduate's story is unique, filled with resilience and dedication. The entire BC campus community is proud of these 'Gades and we invite you to join us online as we recognize their accomplishments and wish them well on the next chapter of their journey.



Upcoming Renegade Events

BC's 107th Commencement Special
A televised and virtual event to celebrate the Renegade Class of 2021

May 16, 2021 at 6:00PM

Live on KGET and Facebook

Virtual Express Enrollment

May 12, 2021 at 12:00PM

BC's Student Information Desk

BC College Choirs Spring Concert

May 17, 2021 at 7:00PM

BC Choirs YouTube Page

BC's COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts

BC's Student Health and Wellness Center continues to shine and support Kern County through vaccination



opportunities, distributing vaccines nearly daily to individuals throughout the community. The college continues to find innovative ways to partner with community organizations to bring vaccination resources to those needing a vaccine. Partner locations and organizations include Exceptional Family Center, St. Peter Restoration Community Christian Ministries, and United Against COVID. Dates for upcoming clinics can be found on BC's website.

Bakersfield College Selected as Citizen Leadership Center

BC was named as one of 10 locations across the country to establish a Citizen Leadership Center and the only community college to be chosen in California. These centers will aim to build leadership within their community, equipping participants with the pragmatic, problem solving skills needed to work together.

BC's Professor of Political Science, Allen Bolar has been very involved and was even invited to speak at the nationwide announcement hosted by The Citizen's Campaign. He said, "Developing new leaders who know how to work with people with whom they disagree and are skilled at identifying practical solutions is essential if we are to successfully address our local and national challenges. Those are the skills that our Citizen Leadership Center will impart to our students and interested members of the communities we serve."

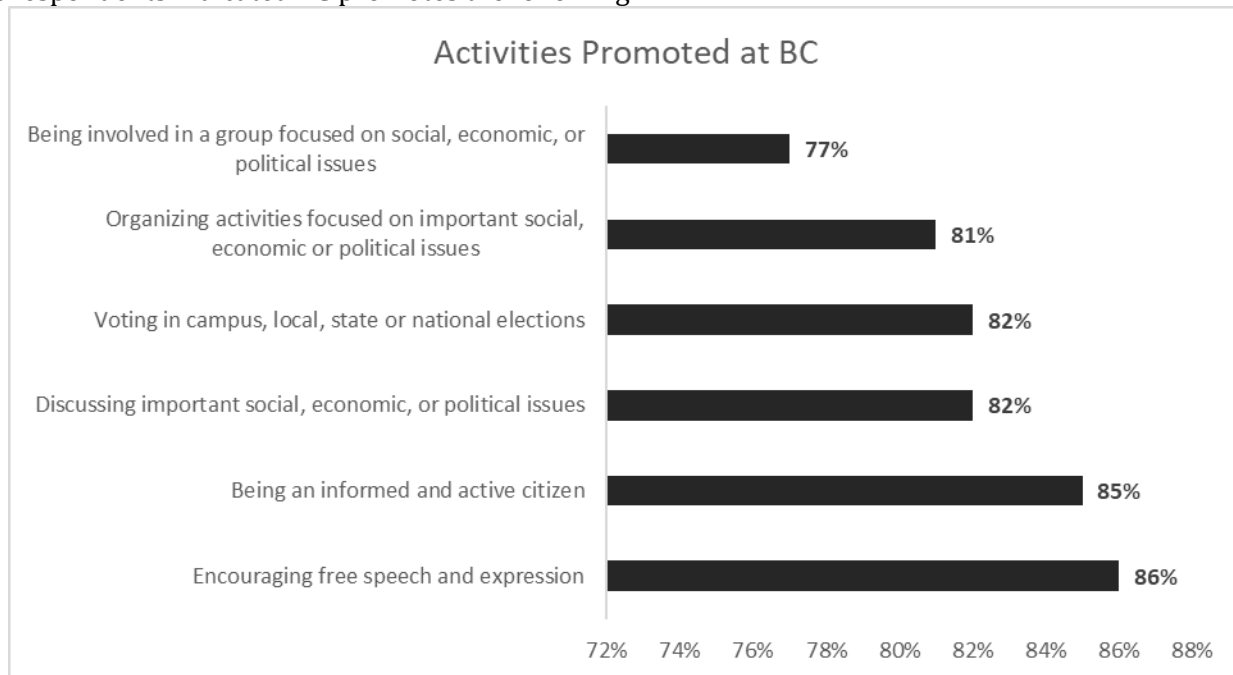


Data Snippet: COVID-19 Survey Update

In 2020, BC's ILO assessment sub-committee developed the Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO) survey to assess student engagement with the campus and the larger community. In March, the OIE administered the ILO survey to all students enrolled in spring 2021. A total of 1,351 participated in the survey and many students indicated that they participated in campus or community activities. Students cited for their top reason for this engagement as wanting to "feel like they are making a difference."

- 49% voted in an election either on or off campus.
- 45% informed themselves about campus or local community issues.
- 24% volunteered with a local community organization, religious group, or a political campaign.

Most respondents indicated BC promotes the following:



First Annual PTD Conference

The AB 540/Undocumented Students Program and Rural Initiatives held BC's first annual Pursuing the Dream Conference on April 30. The event offered resources, advocacy, and empowerment for BC's undocumented student community.



President's Virtual Seminar Series on Physical Campus Reopening

BC's institution-wide conversations about reopening for future semesters continues. These important conversations feature guest speakers from across campus throughout a variety of roles including students, faculty, classified employees, and administrators.

The campus community is united on our goal of serving students, giving them the very best environment to academically succeed while doing so in a way which keeps our students, faculty, and staff healthy and safe.