# Renegade Roundup



**Countdown to Commencement** 

April 27, 2018

Dear Colleagues,

As the spring semester is approaching an end, we are just beginning to celebrate and honor our achievements. We will watch history in the making during our 104th Commencement ceremony when our first group of 7 baccalaureate students will be conferred their Bachelor of Science in Industrial Automation. Preliminary data shows that BC's summer and fall enrollments are strong, and our facilities upgrades are right on track to creating *A Better BC*.

### Summer/Fall 2018 Enrollment Update

Early web registration for summer and fall 2018 began April  $4^{th}$  followed by open registration for new and returning students on April  $18^{th}$ . The April 25, 2018 enrollment report from District IR shows that the summer FTES grew by 161 (+13%) compared to this point-in-time last year. The fall FTES increased by 679 FTES (+16%). Overall, the District's FTES is up 716 FTES (13%).

Bakersfield	Point-in-Time Comparison <sup>1</sup>							
College	Summer - 2nd Week Open Registration				Fall - 2nd Week Open Registration			
	Summer 2017	Summer 2018	Diff	% Chg	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Diff	% Chg
Current Headcount	7,832	9,253	1,421	18.1%	11,204	12,822	1,618	14.4%
Duplicated Enrollments	11,193	13,273	2,080	18.6%	32,319	38,669	6,350	19.6%
Waitlisted Enrollments <sup>2</sup>	680	1,171	491	72.2%	2,641	4,057	1,416	53.6%
Current FTES <sup>3</sup>	1,241.5	1,402.4	160.9	13.0%	4,162.6	4,841.7	679.1	16.3%
Workload (FTEF)	109.2	126.2	17.0	15.5%	431.5	442.5	11.1	2.6%
FTES/FTEF <sup>4</sup>	11.4	11.1	-0.3	-2.2%	7.3	10.9	3.6	49.9%
Active Sections	528	629	101	19.1%	1,794	1,894	100	5.6%

## **Closing Day**

The end of another academic year is quickly approaching. As a campus community, we've achieved a lot, and I credit our achievements to your actions and leadership in the classroom, tutoring center, the welcome center, in the library, in counseling and advising, and in our community. Working together, we are making a difference in the lives of our students for generations to come. Chef Eric Sabella and BC Food Services will provide a light breakfast at 8:00AM with our program beginning promptly at 8:30AM.

#### A Memorable Commencement

Many things mark our 104th Commencement as especially memorable. This year we have 1889 students that are eligible to walk at commencement. Last year, we had 1195 students that were qualified. This will be the largest group of students eligible to participate in commencement from Bakersfield College. As part of that group of graduates, BC will also bestow the first-ever Baccalaureate degrees in Industrial Automation. Commencement will be



such a historic event that all living past BC Presidents will be in attendance. The 104<sup>th</sup> Commencement Ceremony will be held **Friday, May 11, 2018 at 7:00pm** in Memorial Stadium. Make sure you attend.

#### **Pre-Commencement Celebrations**

Bakersfield College has many programs that have ceremonies prior to the grand Commencement Ceremony on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Some of these ceremonies will happen on the same day as Commencement and others are held prior to the day of Commencement. While the main Commencement is open to the public, many of the following ceremonies are invitation only. Visit our website at: <a href="https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/graduation/commencement-ceremonies">https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/graduation/commencement-ceremonies</a> for more information on attending Pre-Commencement Celebration Ceremonies.

#### Here is a schedule of Pre-Commencement Celebration Ceremonies:

- African American Pre-Commencement Celebration May 11, 2018 from 3:30-5:00pm
- Chicano/Latino Pre-Commencement Celebration May 11, 2018 from 3:30-5:00pm
- **Delano Pre-Commencement Celebration** May 11, 2018 from 9:00am-12:00pm
- Honors Celebration
  April 27, 2018 from 5:30pm
- Industrial Automation Baccalaureate Degree Pre-Commencement Celebration May 11, 2018 from 4:30-6:00pm
- Lavender (LGBTIQA+) Pre-Commencement Celebration May 11, 2018 from 1:00-2:00pm
- **Pre-Law Pre-Commencement Celebration** April 23, 2018 from 5:30pm
- Veterans Pre-Commencement Celebration May 11, 2018 from 3:30-5:00pm

## Facilities Update: We Are on Track

Updating and improving the various facilities and campus locations will keep Bakersfield College on track to continue our tradition of providing students, families, and our community with high quality, affordable education and job training for years to come.

Lots **P6 and P7** almost complete, but we have experienced a slight delay due to the rain earlier in the month. The new estimated day of completion for these lots is May 4<sup>th</sup>. Check out this <u>Drone Video Footage</u> for an aerial tour of our newly updated P6 and P7 parking lots as they near completion.



### Here is our timeline for upcoming parking lot closures:

- May 7, 2018 July 6, 2018
   Lots P3 and P4 closed (driveway south of PAC)
- May 31, 2018 June 29, 2018
   Lot P5 closed (Red & White Way, driveway to INDT & Auto Shops)
- June 4, 2018 August 20, 2018
   Lots P8, P9, and P11 closed (entrance from University)
- June 7, 2018 July 25, 2018
   Lots P1 and P2 closed (main entrance)
- June 12, 2018 June 21, 2018
   Church Drive (driveway north of PAC building)

# Here is our schedule of projects and building closures:

- May 1, 2018 June 11, 2018
   Huddle Closed (modifications to Huddle for cafeteria swing space)
- May 1, 2018 June 11, 2018
   Levinson Hall-Partial Building Closure (modifications to Levinson Hall for swing space)
- May 12, 2018 June 3, 2018

## **FACE and Fine Arts Building Closed** (interior painting)

- May 12, 2018 June 8, 2018
   GYM Closed (gym floor resurfacing)
- May 12, 2018 May 25, 2018
  - **CSS-Counseling Area Closed** (asbestos abatement & carpet replacement)
- May 12, 2018 June 6, 2018
   LA Building Closed (flooring replacement)
- June 18, 2018 June 29, 2018 **Tennis Courts Closed** (resurfacing)
- June 18, 2018
   ABC Building Campus Center Closed (construction and remodel of campus center)
- July 3, 2018
   Finlinson Center Closed (construction of Veterans Resource Center)

The Bakersfield College campus will transform over the next few years as we create A Better BC, with revitalized new facilities and necessary improvements thanks to the support in passing Measure J. As you know, construction will be a year-round process and I assure you that every effort is being made to minimize student and staff disruptions while accelerating our timeline to make things happen. Visit our website at <a href="https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/abetterbc">https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/abetterbc</a>, which will provide regular communications and information regarding campus construction.

# **UC and CCC Sign Agreement to Boost Transfers**

There was exciting news from the University of California and the California Community College Chancellor's Office this month. The UC President **Janet Napolitano** and CA Community Colleges Chancellor **Eloy Oakley** signed a memorandum of understanding that outlines goals and details of how the community colleges and the UC's will work together in "Enhancing Student Transfer." The goals are to guarantee admission for all California Community College Transfer students to the University of California campuses. For details on



how our ADT's could work to our students' advantage in guarantying acceptance at a UC and how TAGs will be effected, I encourage you to read the <u>University of California's Article</u>.

It is an exciting time to be at BC.

With much Renegade Pride and Collegiality,

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