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DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Division of Student Services is an integral partner in the teaching-learning process. The Division provides comprehensive services and administrative functions essential to support the residents of Community College District #501 in the pursuit and achievement of their personal development, educational and professional goals.

Student Services Motto:

“Student Success is our first priority.”

2011-12 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

1. GOAL: Establish the Enrollment Management Team.

Current Progress: The team has been developed and several projects have been launched in support of stabilizing the enrollment. A weekly meeting schedule has been established in order to keep everyone abreast of the current enrollment levels and project updates.

2. GOAL: Expand Veteran’s services while remaining in compliance with state and federal funding and accrediting agencies.

Current Progress: With the support of the Financial Aid Office we are systematizing the launch of a new format for the Veterans Club which would focus on garnering additional support for local military programs through enhanced student awareness.

3. GOAL: Increase Financial Aid staff to support increasing enrollments and expanded financial aid services.

Current Progress: We have hired a Loan Specialist to assist with the high volume of loans requested by students. The goal with the loans has been to always protect the college from developing a high default rate therefore the major role of the position will be to determine if a student is a high risk before granting the loan.

Academic Advising

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- The number of students seeking advising services has remained relatively constant. From July to December 2011, advisors have documented 1,912 face-to-face advising sessions, returned 1,150 phone calls and replied to 281 e-mails. This is a total of 3,343 instances of student contact in the last six months. During the same period in 2010, advisors documented 1,927 face-to-face advising sessions, returned 1,382 phone calls and replied to 381 emails for a total of 3,690 instances of student contact. As evidenced, face-to-face advising sessions are on pace with last year and will slightly increase by the end of this month. Phone calls and e-mails have slightly declined during this period.
- It is significant to note that Academic Advisors have completed 431 degree audits for Financial Aid in support of Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeals. There were only 134 degree audits completed during this same 6-month period last year and a total of 465 degree audits completed for the entire 2010-11 academic year. This may indicate an overall decline in student performance and success and/or may be a reflection of the total number of students seeking and receiving financial aid who struggle academically.
- Academic Advising accepted the additional role of Disability Support Services and was approved to add a 30-hour administrative support position. This position has been essential to assist with all areas of advisement, GED transitional services, retention and disability support.
- Academic Advising received approval to add part-time, contractual advising positions for the Trenton, Salem and Nashville Education Centers. These positions will be essential to providing advising services to the Education Centers

and potentially alleviate some of the significant demand for advising at the main campus.

- In addition to meeting the demands of students seeking advisement services, Steve Cox also planned and hosted one of the two statewide regional meetings for u.Select, a transfer articulation database funded by the State of Illinois and largely staffed through the University of Illinois. As a result, over 30 college and university registrars and transfer coordinators attended and were able to experience KC's campus and benefit from our facilities and technology for this event.
- Academic Advising also participated in both of the PTK Commit2Complete Events and advised and registered students during the Financial Aid Check-up, all held in the Student Center.

TRiO/Student Support Services

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- TRiO/SSS completed staffing in February, 2011 to include a Director, Administrative Assistant, Learning Specialist and Career and Academic Advisor.
- Professional tutors for English and math were hired in February, 2011 to work with TRiO students for up to 10 hours each per week.
- The following activities were planned, organized and presented for TRiO students during the 2010-11 academic year: a cultural trip to Japanese restaurant, two group orientations, a group registration, a Financial Literacy Seminar, an End of Year Recognition Banquet, a cultural trip to Missouri Botanical Gardens, a transfer visit to Eastern Illinois University and personal and academic success workshops through the Success Center.
- TRiO/SSS staff moved into its permanent home in offices in the Success Center in May 2011. TRiO/SSS staff and Success Center staff are currently collaborating on projects to include the EXCEL Program Progress Reports, Peer Mentoring and Faculty Mentoring.

- TRiO/SSS recruited, accepted and served 130 students for the 2010-11 Cohort. That is 93% of the students the program is funded to serve and exceeds the 90% goal established by the federal government.
- For 2011-12, the second year of the TRiO program at KC, the Cohort of students served is 150. The program can serve a maximum of 154 students per year. By serving more than the 140 students the program is funded to serve, the program wants to establish that it is able to serve more students and thus can request an increase in students funded to serve when it reapplies for the grant in 2014.
- A comprehensive calendar of TRiO events was planned by staff during July for the 2011-12 academic year in order to meet the requirements for mandatory services in the grant. Included in these activities are bi-monthly personal and academic success workshops by TRiO staff, group orientation and registration, a visit to the National College Fair in St. Louis, a cultural trip to a mystery theater dinner for December graduates and transfer visits to local 4-year institutions.
- TRiO/SSS used monies from other line items in the budget to expand its tutoring services to students. TRiO students can now access the services of professional tutors in English, nursing, math, and computer skills and applications.
- Per the grant, a Monitoring and Evaluation Team external to the project was assembled from KC faculty, staff and administration. The Director conducted three meetings with MET from January through September 2011 in order to disseminate and analyze the qualitative and quantitative data from Year 1 of the TRiO/SSS program. The MET will meet quarterly with the same task at hand.
- TRiO/SSS staff conducted Beginning, Middle and End of Semester Conferences with students in order to track, plan and maintain academic progress toward a degree or certificate and/or transfer to a 4-year institution.
- In October 2011, TRiO/SSS began collecting, coordinating and properly formatting data from the program detailing its service to students in preparation for submission of its Annual Performance Report to the federal government in mid-February 2012.

Admissions, Registration and Dual Credit

July 2011 – December 2011

- The webpages for the Admissions and Registration Department are being revised with Angela Jordan taking the lead along with input from Jan Ripperda and Kelsey Tate. All department staff had the opportunity to provide their input as well. The pages were enhanced to be more user-friendly and easier to navigate for both prospective students and current students. The college's web developer is transferring the data to the main website and is on schedule to become live by December 22, 2011.
- Staci Palm and Jan Ripperda are coordinating with Garren King and Mike Stone to develop and implement an online Student Data Form application. The group has met several times redesigning the format to institute a means for prospective students to complete and submit their SDF online. All Admissions and Registration staff as well as Recruitment have had the opportunity to review and provide input. The online process will facilitate the collection of accurate information, decrease time of receiving information and inputting it into the data system as well as decreasing possibility of loss of forms in the mail. The first phase is to have the form available to prospective students online in January as students will begin applying for the Summer and Fall semesters. The second phase will begin once the SDF is verified by staff; the data will be generated directly into the Datatel system. This is scheduled to be tested by our department in February and be in production in March.
- Jan Ripperda and Jenna Lammers completed the instructions for program evaluation and it was highlighted as a part of the PTK Commit2Complete Event. Providing this access to students enables them to be in charge of their program of study progress and knowledgeable of the means to keep track of courses taken and courses still needed.
- Jessica Niepoetter met with the IT staff and a representative from ImageNow to discuss potential ways to better utilize the imaging software and to develop a smoother flow of documents. This group will meet again in February to develop short term and long term goals for the department.
- Jeanette Firebaugh was cross trained by Jenna Lammers to assist in athletic eligibility and graduation responsibilities while Jenna is on maternity leave and then to serve as a secondary responsibility for Jeanette.
- Staff completed the purging of over 25,000 paper files of former students. This was a three year project that is being continued by scanning and linking those files into ImageNow. Files are currently scanned and linked through ROM.

- Kelsey Tate was assigned the dual credit responsibilities of Natalie Hoffman upon her resignation. She has worked with Staci Palm to implement a new communications management process for dual credit students. The process culminates being able to generate automatic letters sent to students each semester.
- Micki Adams reported receiving record numbers of applications for special admittance programs for this semester and has focused her time on completing the processes required for acceptance.
- Registration of dual credit courses for the Fall 2011 semester took place during the month of August at 14 area high schools. This was the first semester the withdrawal and drop procedure became effective. A letter was mailed to the homes of all students who had enrolled in a dual credit class during the 2010-11 school year. It detailed the new procedure and provided them with a sample of the form.
- During registration, college staff explained the withdrawal and drop procedures and how it has changed from previous years. They were made aware of the dates for both and the fact that if they do not take action according to these dates, the grade they receive in the class will appear on their official college transcript.
- This semester we also implemented the requirement of obtaining parent signatures from those students taking dual credit classes and are pleased with the results of just over 90% returned.
- A dual credit update was provided at the KC Area Superintendent's Meeting November 7, 2011. Updates regarding the faculty credentialing policy were shared along with professional development and growth opportunities for their high school faculty. In addition, results from the first Dual Credit Faculty Survey that was taken in the Spring of 2010 was shared with those in attendance.
- Administration attended an ICCB-sponsored workshop regarding dual credit policies and were provided updates on the rules and regulations as well as the dual credit quality act.

Enrollment Management
July 2011 – December 2011

- We have established a monthly presence at the local Unemployment Office to serve as an outreach to individuals seeking employment or who are underemployed to return to school at the college level to gain skills necessary for employment. This partnership has proven to be fruitful by cultivating many new prospects that would not have been reached otherwise. We have had initial meetings with other area offices, such as Clinton, Washington and Fayette counties to serve in a similar capacity for their clients.
- The Office of Recruitment, in partnership with the Marketing Department have institutionalized a practice of holding focus groups for both non-traditional, and traditional high school students each semester in an effort to better understand our potential student stakeholders, and adapt our marketing and recruitment initiatives to better target these populations.
- The Office of Recruitment was also honored to receive, on behalf of KC, an award presented by the local Army Recruiters' Office. The award was presented on behalf of the U.S. Army, honoring the College's commitment to offering support to their organization through several joint initiatives and partnership opportunities.
- We were also pleased to gain an invitation to college recruiting events for active duty military personnel through Scott Air Force Base. This year was the first that KC has been included in such activities at the base.
- We have also established a regular process of visiting every adult education classroom during each semester in order to foster a recruitment relationship to support the transition of these students to regular college classes. A member of the recruitment staff has also been present at each GED graduation to speak individually with each graduate about their opportunities at KC, as well as regular follow-up contact via phone post-graduation until their time of registration.
- We were also pleased to be leaders in the first Financial Aid "Check-Up" Event. This was a successful event that targeted students who had submitted financial aid applications but had not yet enrolled for courses. Thirty-nine students were served at the event and registered for a combined total of 114.5 credit hours. Over 40 phone calls from additional students were also received as a result of invitations to this event. As a result of its success, this unique initiative will be institutionalized and hosted each semester.

- We have provided recruitment visits to students in all 17 of our area high schools and hosted 135 individual college visits during this time period.
- We have also undergone regular training sessions for use of Communication Management through Datatel in order to more efficiently target regular mailings to prospective student groups. Processes are being established to incorporate this resource into daily office operations, and were utilized for targeted prospect communication for the first time within the recruitment office this year.
- Overall, the Office of Recruitment has worked very hard to cultivate new recruitment markets within our district while expanding recruitment efforts to already established segments, such as the high school populations. We have processed almost 1,000 new prospect information packets during the past six months in addition to ongoing face-to-face and follow-up telephone contact with these individuals.
- The Retention Plan was presented for a first reading by the Student Services Cabinet on September 13, 2011. Following that meeting, suggestions and corrections were made to better define Kaskaskia College's definition of retention. The document has been previewed by the Enrollment Management Team. The plan will be discussed by the team before being sent to President's Cabinet.
- A phone tree script intended to encourage re-enrollment of students who have not continuously registered was developed. NSO Ambassadors have been trained in proper phone etiquette as well as assisting students in re-connecting with the college. Phone calls began in October as Spring 2012 registration begins. Documentation from the phone tree process continues to be collected and cataloged for future reference and research. The calls are being made by Student Ambassadors and Christin Dalaviras to individuals who have not yet graduated from Kaskaskia College and were registered in the Spring 2011 semester, but not the Fall 2011 or Spring 2012; referred to as 'stopped-out' students. These individuals were contacted via the phone to encourage them to enroll and complete their degrees and certificates. The project has them contacting over 626 individuals.
- A postcard of encouragement was sent to stopped-out students with registration dates, advisement information and other services to re-enroll. The postcard provided an internet link to connect individuals with the services needed to re-register. The information went out to students in early October 2011.

November 7, 2011 emails were sent to each active email on the list. On November 7th, a phone tree began to contact all of the students who were on the postcard mailing list. As of November 17th, 343 calls have been. We established categories for each call. By December 2nd, all calls had been made to individuals on the list. Those calls to individuals who received a message on their phone are being called again to help bring them back to KC. We are continuously updating our information to determine if any of students we left messages with to call us back have since registered. The call answers were additionally categorized into further subsets including: got a job/had to get a job, has transferred/is transferring, may register/are going to register, message left, moved, waiting for verification of financial aid, phone disconnected/wrong number, waiting to be/has been accepted into a health occupations program, or will not return to KC.

- A NSO Attendee Satisfaction Survey was sent to Fall 2011 NSO participants. Those surveyed preferred morning and Saturday presentations and the majority of those in attendance indicated the tour and computer information were among the most important aspects of the events. All participants agreed that the program promotional information and the registration process were easy to understand and use. They all also agreed that the main campus tours and college informational folders provided were helpful. Over 300 people participated in the programs that were held at the Education Centers, Crisp Technology Building and on Main Campus. Information Technology, Learning Resource Center, Success Center, Perkins Programs, TRiO program, Student Life, Disability Support Services, Admissions and Registration and Recruitment staff members all assisted with presentations.
- The Career Services Specialist, Wendy Blythe, developed and designed new aspects of the website for individuals looking for student or community work. There are new links for helpful videos on resume writing, job interviews, cover letters and choosing careers. Mrs. Blythe is currently working on developing connections and promotion for internships and job placement with district businesses. There were over 1,525 jobs placed on our “local employment” website to date with the assistance of two student workers.
- Mrs. Blythe has also been instrumental with previous Illinois Cooperative Work Study Program employers for the 2011-12 as well as the 2012-13 grant. The grant for the 2011-12 school year is \$22,450.00 and pairs the College in working with Fayette County Hospital, Illinois Real Estate Services, Collision Specialist, St. Joseph’s Hospital, Wedekemper’s and Carlyle Healthcare Center.

- Wendy Blythe has been working on the development of GUID 110. She has coordinated with Title III instructors and reading/English instructors to choose a textbook appropriate for the reading level of the course. The pilot of the course will be offered during the Summer 2012 semester and will be a part of the Title III cohort during the Fall 2012 semester.
- Planning has begun for the 2012 Job/Resource Fair to be held April 12th in the college gymnasium. It will be held in conjunction with regional businesses and resource organizations and will be free to the public as it was last year; attendance for the previous year's event was 300 participants.
- The Vice President of Student Services and Athletics and the newly named Dean of Enrollment Management attended the 26th Annual Enrollment Planners Conference the week of July 20 in Chicago.
- The Inaugural Enrollment Management Team meeting was held during the week of July 28, 2011.
- Bus service from the Greenville Education Center to the main campus was initiated through a JARC grant awarded to the Bond County Transit System to further eliminate the barrier of the cost/availability of travel to the main campus for Bond County students.
- Faculty and staff from IT, Financial Aid, the Success Center, the Education Centers, and the Office of Institutional Effectiveness were added to the Enrollment Management team to broaden the scope of knowledge and experience of the group thus increasing the potential effectiveness of the team.
- Improvement to "drop-for-nonpayment" process was implemented that involved volunteers from across the campus.
- PHED 101, a tuition-free class offered in support of the installation of the new KC Fitness Trail for Fall 2011 resulted in 110 reimbursable credit hours. This offering was increased to include PHED 102 for the spring semester. All fall PHED 101 students were contacted and encouraged to register for the PHED 102 course.
- Improvements for the printed KC Class Schedule were identified and piloted to make the schedule more easily navigated and user friendly. A formal assessment of the changes made and recommendation for other changes as

appropriate will be available in January 2012 prior to the printing of the next KC Class Schedule

- Improvement to dissemination of information regarding late-starting classes was implemented in Fall 2011 semester. A listing of classes was made available on the initial screen students see when they sign on to the KC website. Further, the site will only show classes that have not yet started to maximize the impact of the information provided.
- 653 individuals that had submitted a FAFSA indicating an interest in KC but that had not yet completed the financial aid process were contacted using a new automated telephone approach.
- An additional 1174 individuals that had submitted a FAFSA indicating interest in attending KC but had not yet registered for spring 2012 classes was also contacted using this same automated process. An evaluation will be made after the 10th day of classes to determine how many of the students in these two categories actually registered and the number of credit hours they generated.
- The 1827 students mentioned above were all invited to participate in a Financial Aid “Check-Up” Event that also provided testing, advising and registration assistance. Immediate results were that 39 students participated in the event held that evening. However others called to make special arrangements to meet with someone and to register.
- Another 2047 students that were registered for Fall 2011 but not registered for Spring 2012 were sent a post card inviting them to contact KC to register for spring classes.
- Over 600 students that had been registered for classes in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 that had not graduated but had not yet registered for Spring 2012 were contacted by telephone through the coordinated efforts of staff, faculty and student ambassadors coordinated by the Director of Retention’s Office. Spring 2012 Registration is still open, and to date 78 of the students contacted in this process have registered for 762 credit hours. An additional 72 indicated that they would probably be registering for spring classes.

ISA Corps

July 2011 – December 2011

- Office Hours at Kaskaskia College on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-1pm, participated in Guidance Day at Kaskaskia College to introduce staff and explain what the Corps is and has to offer and presented six sessions of “College 101” at Kaskaskia College’s Career Fair.
- Sarah Molt attended a three week extensive training at the ISAC headquarters in Deerfield, Illinois, volunteered at the Recycling Plant in Centralia for the ISACorps service week and hosted an educational ISAC program table in the Governor’s Tent at the State Fair in Springfield.
- Hosted first Financial Aid Night at Salem, Wesclin, Nashville, and Breese-Central High Schools, educating parents and students about the Financial Aid process, a great success with over 60 attendees.
- Hosted first Lunch Hours at Centralia High School providing resources for college bound students and was a guest speaker at the Career Fair at Nashville High School; presenting “Connect the Dots”, “Vocational and Trade Schools” and “Resume-Your Passport”. Additionally, hosted a table during study hall classes at Wesclin High School as a resource to for students to answer any college questions.
- Conducted meeting with area high school counselors in the Kaskaskia College district to introduce staff and plan ISAC events; presented “College 101” to juniors and seniors at Mulberry Grove High School covering the basics of college and “Breaking Down Applications” and “Financial Aid Process” to seniors to educate them on the scholarship application process. Additionally, offered presentations at Mulberry Grove High school consisting of “Paving the Road to College” for high school juniors, detailing the steps students need to take in preparation for getting into college beginning in their junior year. Additional presentations included “Welcome to High School” presentation for current high school freshman, promoting understanding and expectations of their upcoming high school experiences and how to begin preparing for college and “Connect the Dots” to freshmen and sophomores at Mulberry Grove High School, a game format which discusses different careers opportunities and how to plan for those through the type of classes selected while in high school classes, through sports, and job shadowing. It also demonstrated the correlation between with the amount of schooling you have compared to the amount of money and vacation time you receive.
- Presented “College 101” at Okawville High School, assisting students one-on-one with college questions and completing their FAFSA; presented “Breaking

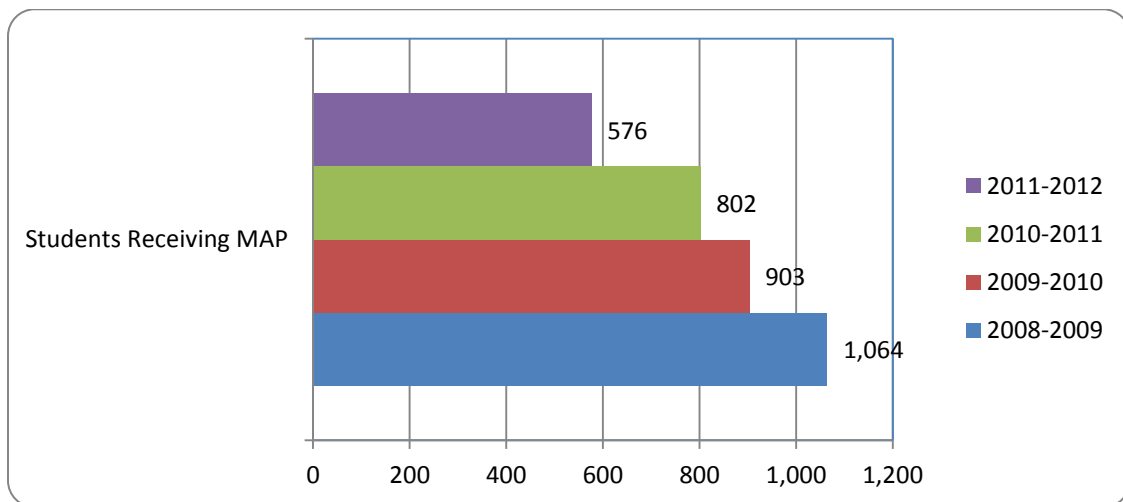
Down Applications” to seniors at Vandalia High School, and assisted freshman at Centralia High School complete state surveys used to research and ascertain how aware high school freshman are of the college process. Also presented “College 101” and “Path of the FAFSA” presentations while also taking part in the Etiquette Luncheon as part of the Central High School’s College Connects program.

- Started a mentoring group at Sandoval High School meeting with the college bound students giving them college resumes and personality surveys and hosted “Preparing for your Senior Year” to all junior English classes at Vandalia High School.

Financial Aid & Veteran’s Affairs

July 2011- December 2011

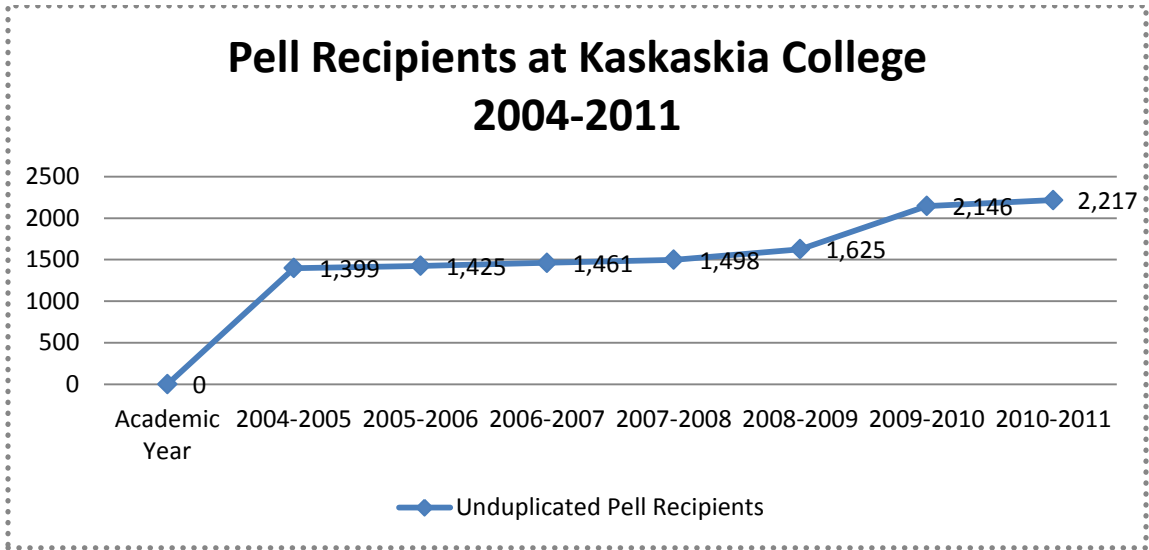
- The Illinois Student Assistance Commission administers the Monetary Award Program (MAP). Students apply for this grant when they complete the federal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The State awards money until the funds are exhausted. In 2010, students who applied after April 19 were not eligible for MAP funding. This year, the funds were exhausted as of March 26. This was the earliest the state had ever exhausted the budget. Because of the first-come, first-served, and less funds available, there are not as many students at Kaskaskia College receiving funding.



- For the Fall 2011 semester, Kaskaskia College has invoiced the state on behalf of 576 students. This number may increase when the state is billed for the spring semester and cannot be used to compare prior school years. What is apparent

from these numbers is that since the 2008 academic year, state funding has decreased by 50 percent for KC's students.

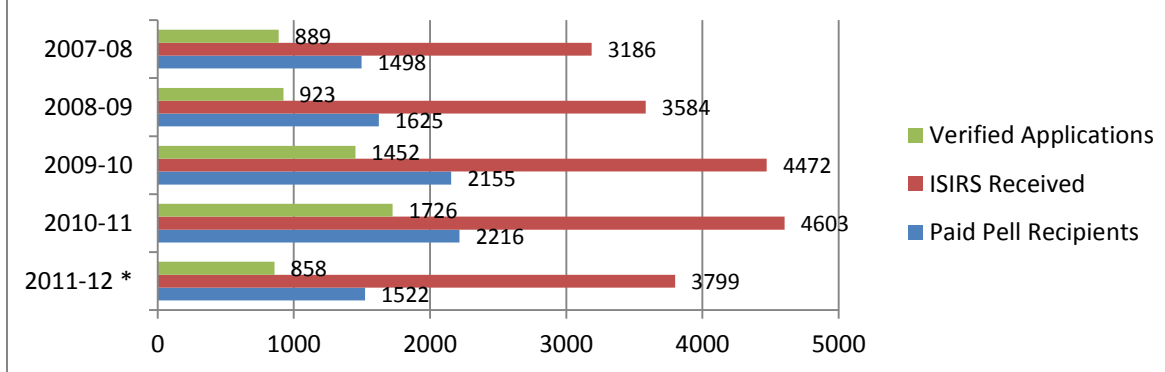
- At the conclusion of the 2010-11 financial aid year, Kaskaskia College's Office of Financial Aid saw a modest increase of 3.3 percent in the number of students who were awarded Pell grants. A continued focus on ensuring students who receive the award are eligible continues to be a focus. For the current semester, KC has awarded \$3,379,551.32 to 1,624 students.



- The Financial Aid Office is charged with processing the financial aid eligibility for all students who complete the Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and name Kaskaskia College as a partner in completing their educational goals. The chart below details the number of applications received for the past five years, the number of applications that were fully verified and the number of students who were eligible to receive Pell grants.
- The number of files verified does not reflect the attempts made by the Financial Aid Office to obtain verification documentation from students who fail to finalize their financial aid eligibility. Students who do not meet the requirements for financial aid still require processing and are not represented in these numbers.

FAFSA Applications Received and Verified Compared to Pell Awards Paid

***2011-12 data as of October 7, 2011**



- This year the Financial Aid Office partnered with the IT Department to deliver information to the financial aid applicants utilizing email instead of relying on traditional printed materials mailed through the United States Postal Service.
- In keeping with the goals of the college and as promoted by the Institutional Planning Committee, Financial Aid is working diligently to ensure we continually align departmental goals to facilitate organizational goals. The Financial Aid Office is meeting the challenge to work efficiently and effectively with our limited resources by implementing a different method of delivering financial aid verification materials. Students utilizing their campus email to receive personalized messages with links to the necessary documents they need to complete and return which has contributed to significant savings. At the end of November 2010, the Financial Aid Office had spent \$5,051 in printing expenses; in November 2011—the Financial Aid Office spent \$2,480. This represents a reduction of 50 percent in printing costs while providing improved, expedient and timely service to our students.

	2009-2010		2010-2011	
	Recipients	Dollars Disbursed	Recipients	Dollars Disbursed
Subsidized Loans	554	\$1,670,979	551	\$1,651,109
Unsubsidized Loans	420	\$ 838,953	419	\$758,905

- Research shows that the College's retention rates and graduation rates are indicative of predicting what KC's cohort default rate might be. Kaskaskia College is actively engaged in expanding financial literacy education opportunities to ensure KC's default rate remains at an acceptable rate.
- The U.S Department of Education released official cohort default rates in September. A cohort default rate is the percentage of a school's borrowers who enter repayment on certain Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program or William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program loans during a particular federal fiscal year (FY). The national average for 2008 is 7.0 percent per the U.S. Department of Education. The FY 2009 national cohort default rate is 8.8 percent. The college received notification that Kaskaskia College's official 2009 School Cohort Default Rate is zero. This number will change as KC's student loan borrowers enter into repayment.



School Default Rates
FY 2009, 2008, and 2007

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OPE ID	School	Type	Control	PRGMS	FY2009	FY2008	FY2007	
001701	Kaskaskia College 27210 College Road Centralia IL 62801-7878	Associate's Degree	Public	Both (FFEL/FDL)	Default Rate	0	0	6.6
					No. in Default	0	0	0
					No. in Repay	1	0	1
					Enrollment figures	9475	9157	9148
					Percentage Calculation	0	0	0

ENROLLMENT: To provide context for the Cohort Default Rate (CDR) data we include enrollment data (students enrolled at any time during the year) and a corresponding percentage (borrowers entering repayment divided by that enrollment figure). While there is no direct relationship between the timing of when a borrower entered repayment (October 1 through September 30) and any particular enrollment year, for the purpose of these data, we have chosen to use the academic year ending on the June 30 prior to the beginning of the cohort year (e.g., FY 2008 CDR Year will use 2006-2007 enrollment).

Current Date : 12/09/2011

- The faces in the Financial Aid Office are changing. Connie Lager, twenty-six year veteran employee at Kaskaskia College retired, and her position will be advertised in April 2012. Additionally we have a 30-hour position vacancy with Reanna McVay's departure. Carrie Hancock joined the Financial Aid Office in October 2011 as a Financial Aid Advisor/Student Loan Coordinator. Carrie will be taking an active role developing KC's default management program that will be focused on a financial literacy campaign.

Success Center

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- Changes were completed to the Athletic Study Table area. The removal of the dividers created a larger study space. New carrels with computers added 10

individual computers. Peer tutors monitored the study area as well as staff members to include Sam Bundy and assistant coaches, Marcus Wilson and Jimmie Holder. Peer and professional tutors were available as needed.

- An average of 110 students visits the Success Center daily; over 2000 student visits a month.
- The highest achievement of the Success Center was the praise received from Kaskaskia College students during the AQIP quality check-up.
- The Excel Program was expanded to include distributing 2200 Academic Progress reports for the following: athletes, the Speech Team, the Drama Team, the Dairy Judging Team, Board of Trustee Scholarship recipients, TRiO students and GED scholarship recipients. These reports were distributed by the Success Center. Jimmie Holder then reported the progress of athletes to coaches and tracked student grades as well as comments from faculty.
- The Success Center staff supported the Saturday Registration event in August and the Commit2Complete and Financial Aid Checkup held in November.
- A new set of student tutors were hired. Title III math classes have benefited from the use of Success Center tutors. New tutors have successfully completed Tutor Training I. Tutor Training II will begin in January. Additional technology training will be added to this session.
- 925 COMPASS placement tests were given during the Fall 2011 semester. This encompasses main campus as well as the extension centers.
- Nearly 100 Early Alert referrals and failing academic progress reports were submitted by faculty and staff. The Early Alert referral form was changed to include additional contact information.
- Success Center student workshops were moved from the lunch hour to the classroom. During the fall semester, 19 workshops were given in classrooms. Beth Moore, James Kellermann, Cynthia Webber and Wendy Blythe presented these workshops. These workshops were so successful that additional workshops will be scheduled in the fall. In addition, a number of the lunch-time workshops will also be scheduled.
- Cynthia Webber, Marcus Wilson and Jimmie Holder presented a session at the Faculty and Staff Development Day informing faculty of testing policies, the

importance of the Athletic Excel Program and the differences between the Academic Progress reports and the Early Alert referrals.

- The Success Center staff rallied to administer 87 student faculty evaluation packets. These evaluations were administered by Marcus Wilson, Jimmie Holder, Bill Broda, Wendy Blythe, Victoria Rice, Debbie Runyon and Cynthia Webber.
- Cynthia Webber attended the Foundations Workshop which highlighted the Kurzweil 3000 software for Windows V12. This software is designed to assist students with special learning needs.
- The transition and inclusion of the TRiO staff into the Success Center was completed during the summer months. Effortlessly, the individual cogs incorporating testing, tutoring, Career Services, TRiO and Perkins of the Success Center wheel have managed to turn together to facilitate the successes of Kaskaskia College students.

Student Life

July 2011 – December 2011

- The new Student Life Coordinator, Jordanne Even, started in September 2011. Teamwork among the Student Services Department, Coordinator as well as the club sponsors have ensured many successful activities for students including the Fall picnic, Constitution Day activities, a trip to Fright Fest, pumpkin carving contest, the Haunted Trail and Christmas Tree Decorating fun. The clubs have organized successful fundraising projects as well as community services projects to giving back to the community with books, coat drives and KC's traditional Angel Tree gift giveaway for the holiday season. Thank you to all of the sponsors for their hard work and dedication to their students.
- Student Life in coordination with the Athletic Department have implemented half time activities hosted during campus games and sporting events to more actively engage fans and students and increase their involvement in KC. Giveaways and competitions will continue throughout basketball season and into the spring sports season. Fundraising has started for the Veterans Memorial and many clubs have put together projects to assist with the effort.
- We look forward to intramurals starting in January 2012 and will host a volleyball, basketball and indoor soccer season and expect exuberant involvement from

students and staff. Finally, the new club Fusion has been added to the variety of clubs Kaskaskia offers for students.

Athletics

July 2011 – December 2011

- Kaskaskia College Athletic Department welcomed new coaches and a new team this year. Shane Larson and Jordanne Even joined the department as coaches for the Women's Basketball Team, Jimmie Holder and Marcus Wilson joined the Athletic Department as Assistant Coaches for Men's Basketball and Baseball, respectively. Frank Basurto replaced Bernie Johnson as our Men's Head Soccer Coach, Kyle Gansauer took over the reins of the Men's Golf Team from Jerry Cooksey, and Beth Stedelin has joined KC as the Head Coach for Women's Tennis during the sports inaugural year at the college.
- The Kaskaskia College Softball team ended their Fall Scrimmages in a 500 series. With an even mix of freshmen and sophomores this year the team is working on teambuilding and communication to neutralize challenges identified early in the season. The Blue Angels Softball Team played Jefferson College as their last home game, a nationally ranked team, and won the first game and only lost the 2nd game 18-19.
- The Women's Soccer Team completed a terrific season, finishing with a 16-2-2 record, the only losses were to nationally ranked Lewis and Clark Community College. The team featured five All Region selections and outscored their opponents 80-6. With seven of the eleven starters in their freshman year at Kaskaskia College, the future is very bright for the angels. Wesclin High School graduate, Alison Koerkenmeier, finished the season ranked 9th in the nation in goal keeping. Miranda Burroughs finished the season 12th in the nation in scoring. Miranda Burroughs, Taylor Fath, Vanessa Herr and Alison Koerkenmeier received honors from Region 24.
- The Men's Golf Team low round of the fall season came from freshman Tanner Neese of Greenville. He shot a 76 during the second round of the Vincennes University Fall Invitational. As a team, the low score was a 332 shot during the second round of the Danville Area Community College Tournament and also shot a two-day low score of 685. Freshman Cole McReaken from Centralia finished with the low average for the Fall 2011 season.

- The Blue Angels Women's Golf Team wrapped up its fall season and is looking forward to resuming in the spring. This year's team consists of sophomores Rachel Roddy from Salem, Emilie Ruehl of Nashville, Chelsey Swartzlander residing in Centralia, freshman Becca Bryan also from Salem, Casey Beckmann of Beckemeyer, Taylor Hinkle from Teutopolis and Lindsey Sapp also from Salem. The Angels competed in three tournaments this fall and Taylor Hinkle led their scoring average and finished second overall in the Kaskaskia College Invitational, shooting an 87 despite the inclement weather. Casey Beckmann was second in scoring average this fall for the Angels. The Blue Angels also participated in the Milliken Fall Classic with Casey leading the team's first day scores in September. The Women's Golf Team will resume in the spring when the Angels prepare for the Region XXIV Tournament held in May. The winning team and the top five individuals not on the winning team will qualify for the NJCAA National Tournament played in Daytona Beach, Florida.

- The Women's Volleyball Team finished their season 23-9 and 5-3 in the Conference. Michelle Day and Courtney Crocker were selected for the All Conference First Team and Brooke Maxey was named a Conference Freshman of the Year.

- Kaskaskia Women's Tennis finished their inaugural fall season with a record of four wins and one loss; they beat both teams in the conference as well as a four year college. They will be returning to practice on January 15th to prepare for the spring season.

- The 2011 Men's and Women's Cross Country teams will conclude their season at the National Meet in Hobbs, New Mexico on Saturday November 12th. The women, led by All Region 24 members Mallory Wendling and Elizabeth Williams, finished 3rd and only three points from a 2nd place finish at the NJCAA Region 24 Meet held at the campus of EIU in Charleston, IL. Both teams had their best seasons to date with an appearance in the top twenty five ranking at different points during the season.

- The Basketball Season is now well underway and the Blue Angels are off to a good start. Currently, the Women's Basketball Team is 8-3, surpassing last year's total wins mark. The Blue Angels won their season opener 81-71 with WeNisha Mack and Brandi Riddle leading all scorers with 16pts each and Lauren McKinnis scored double figures with 14pts. With rousing games against Volunteer State performing a solid defensive game but suffering a 46-68 loss in the second hand and regaining their momentum against Lindenwood the Angels showed their commitment and boundless spirit in their performance. Led by

Sophomores Lauren McKinnis and Alesha Prince, the Blue Angels defense did a great job holding Belleville to just fifty points in the 59-50 win. We have suffered a few minor injuries and two major ones. Freshman Kayla Farmer Dampier and Sophomore Ashley Brown are out for the season after suffering knee injuries. We have added two players to the roster, Miranda Burroughs and Kylie Seyer, both are also members of the Women's Soccer Team. The players are all coming together and forming a cohesive team. As we have a very talented team, we are still focusing on increasingly challenging new offensive and defensive systems and fine tuning those skills.