

Chipola This Week

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A newsletter for Chipola College students, employees, and friends

Chipola has lowest course withdrawal rate in Florida

According to statewide data, Chipola has the lowest course withdrawal rate among colleges in the State College System. The report, released in March, shows that only 6.3% of Chipola's students withdrew from a set of monitored classes in the last three years, compared to the state average of 11.3%.

According to the report, the analysis was undertaken because when students fail to complete a course, it costs the student and the state money, reduces available classroom space, and increases the length of time required for the student to graduate. While many withdrawals are necessary for personal and academic reasons, excessive withdrawals pose a significant burden on the student, the college, and the state.

The data used for the analysis included all college preparatory and college credit courses offered from 2007-2008 to 2009-2010 in the state of Florida. There were 3,157 courses with 6,608,926 enrollments. The list of courses was then limited to those with at least 3,000 course enrollments system-wide. This reduced the number of courses to 213 of the most commonly offered courses

representing 89% of course enrollments in all 28 colleges. The data focused on courses with high withdrawal percentages since they represent the classes which students struggle to complete.

Between 2007-2008 and 2009-2010, there were 668,850 withdrawals, representing 11.3% of the total course enrollments. Chipola College had the lowest percentage at 6.3%.

The report also included the five courses with the highest percentage of withdrawals at each college. The five courses with the highest withdrawal rates at Chipola are: Anatomy and Physiology I (BSC 2093), Elementary Spanish I (SPN 1120), Calculus with Analytic Geometry II (MAC 2312), Chemistry (CHM 1045) and Introduction to Earth Science (ESC 1000).

Data from the study was published in Chipola FACTS, a monthly factsheet produced jointly by the Chipola Offices of Development and Planning and Information Systems/ Technology. The purpose of Chipola FACTS is to facilitate good-decision making by publishing college data.

For information about Chipola FACTS, contact Gail Hartzog, Director of Development and Planning at (850) 718-2342 or visit <http://www.chipola.edu/Planning/May%202011.pdf>



Dunkle wins Faculty/Admin Award



Dr. Robert Dunkle, pictured with his wife, Nancy Deloney Dunkle, was chosen by his peers to receive the Chipola Faculty/Administrator/Other Professional Award for the 2010-11 academic year.

Summer II registration for new and returning students is Thursday, June 23, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Classes begin June 27. Late registration continues through noon on June 28. The Summer II Schedule is available online at www.chipola.edu.

THIS WEEK AT CHIPOLA

20 MONDAY

- ◆ Faculty, OPS and/or Student Payroll Due in HR CEA - 3 p.m., TBA

21 TUESDAY

- ◆ Last Class Day for Summer I Term - All Classes
- ◆ Executive Council - 9 a.m., A192

- ◆ District Board of Trustees - 7 p.m., Bldg Y

22 WEDNESDAY

- ◆ Last Faculty Day for Summer I Term Ends
- ◆ Grades Due 12 Noon (Including "I" Grades from Spring Term)

23 THURSDAY

- ◆ Faculty Returns -- Summer II Term
- ◆ New and Returning Student Registration for Summer II; 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Learning to care



Chipola students in a Practicing Nursing Skills course recently deployed personal protective equipment to provide care for a patient on isolation precaution in the Patient Simulation lab. Pictured from left, are Olivia Mosier and Whitney Whitaker. For information about the Chipola Nursing program, call 718-2316.

Law Enforcement Academy set for July

Chipola College will offer an evening Law Enforcement academy beginning July 25. The program will meet weeknights from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. The course lasts approximately 11 months.

Candidates for the program must be at least 19 years of age and earn a passing score on the Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT). Applicants must have a standard high school diploma and undergo a medical physical examination, background check and drug screening.

A Crossover from Corrections to Law Enforcement course begins Aug. 1. Orientation is July 21 for both the Law Enforcement Academy and the Crossover course. All registration materials must be completed by this date.

For information, call 718-2394.

Summer II Registration



Chipola will hold summer II registration for new and returning students, Thursday, June 23, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Here, Dr. Jayne Roberts, Vice-President of Academic Affairs, works with a student. Classes begin June 27. Late registration continues through noon on June 28.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

- 27 Classes Begin for Summer II
- 28 Late Registration for Summer II

THIS WEEK

“Chipola This Week” is a weekly publication of the Chipola PR Office.

Deadline for the next issue is 8 a.m., Wednesday, June 22. Articles will be printed as space permits. E-mail Evelyn Ward at warde@chipola.edu.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

THIS WEEK:

- 24-Jun Karen Bradley
- 25-Jun Louy Harris

SUMMER PROGRAMS. Chipola will offer programs for all ages this summer.

Swimming lessons will also be offered for ages four and up. Lessons are based on a combination of nationally-recognized methods. The following sessions are scheduled: Session 2: **June 20-June 30** with registration deadline **June 13**; Session 3: **July 11-21**; and Session 4: **Aug. 8-18**. Classes are available at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. Sessions are Monday through Thursday for two weeks of 45-minute lessons. Cost is \$45 for each session. Pre-registration is required with a \$5 late registration fee. Call 718-2473.

Baseball Coach Jeff Johnson will offer three camps. A Skills Camp for ages 7-8 will meet **June 20-21**. All baseball camps meet from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$100 per camp. Call 718-2243.

Softball Coach Belinda Hendrix will offer two Softball camps. A Fielding, Hitting, and Hustling Camp for all ages will meet **June 20-21**, from 1-4 p.m. A Pitching Camp for all ages will meet **June 22**, from 1-4 p.m. Cost is \$50 per camp. Call 718-2358.