Chipola is state approved Teacher Education program

Chipola College’s Mathematics Education and Biology Education programs recently earned State Approved Teacher Education program status by the Florida Department of Education’s Bureau of Educator Recruitment Development and Retention.

All Teacher Education programs in Florida must meet 19 rigorous standards ranging from faculty and facilities to curriculum and evaluation and assessment. Dr. Kitty Myers, Chipola’s Associate Vice-President of Instruction and Baccalaureate Program Development, said, “We are very proud that our Teacher Education program met all 19 standards. The visiting team was very complimentary of all aspects of our program.”

The DOE review included an application process with reviews and responses and a site visit by a team of educators. Myers said, “The FDOE team highlighted our well-designed curriculum, field experiences, clinical, and internship structure, and students’ knowledge of subject matter. This is a significant event in the history of Chipola because this program will benefit our local schools, our community, and our students,” Myers said.

Myers reported that the Chipola program is designed so that graduates meet all certification requirements before graduation. Minority students in state-approved teacher education programs are eligible for generous scholarships.

Chipola’s first class of 10 future teachers compares favorably with the state university average of 12 graduates per year in science education and 14 in mathematics education.

Chipola began its quest to offer four-year degrees in 2001 when the Florida Legislature passed a bill allowing community colleges to apply to offer bachelor’s degrees. In 2002 the Florida Board of Education gave Chipola the authority to offer four-year degrees in Secondary Education in response to a critical shortage of math and science teachers. The Board adopted a plan to offer four-year degrees in selected disciplines on the campuses of Chipola and Miami-Dade Community Colleges. Former Education Secretary Jim Horne granted Chipola the authority to offer a bachelor’s degree in Secondary Math and Science Education. Horne said he adopted Chipola’s proposal in the interest of local students. “The Chipola approach was constructed to provide greater program delivery flexibility for community members,” Horne said.

In August of 2003, the Chipola District Board of Trustees voted to change the name of the 57-year-old institution to Chipola College. Chipola’s first-ever Bachelor’s degree students began classes in January of 2004.

For information about Chipola’s four-year degrees, contact Dr. Myers at 850-718-2260.

David Coley memorial scholarship established at Chipola

The Jackson County Republican Executive Committee made the lead donation of $1,000 to establish the David Coley Memorial Scholarship at Chipola College.

Coley was elected to the Florida House of Representatives District 7 seat in November of 2004. He died of liver cancer in March. Coley also worked at Chipola as a Special Services Coordinator for the college’s Bachelor’s Degree programs. He was a Chipola graduate in the class of 1982.

Coley formerly served as an aide to Florida House Speaker Allan Bense. He also was a congressional aide to former U.S. Rep. Bill Grant and was aide to former Florida Representatives Robert Trammell and Jamey Westbrook.

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Chipola baseball team finishes second in state


Chipola won three of five games in the tournament finishing with a 3-0 loss to St. Petersburg College in the final game of the tournament on May 10.

The Indians opened the FCCAA series with a 2-1 win over Seminole on May 6. Chipola was forced into the consolation bracket after a 3-2 loss to St. Pete on May 7. The Indians got back on track with a big 9-6 win over conference foe Pensacola on May 8. Chipola scored a decisive 11-3, eight-inning win over Daytona Beach on May 9.

Chipola pitcher Matt Gamel was named Player of the Year for his performance this season. He also was named First Team FCCAA All State/Region VIII. Jason Lewis and Travis Anderson were named to the FCCAA All State/Region VIII Second Team.

The Indians captured the 2005 Panhandle Conference Championship with an 18-7 league record and a 39-19 overall finish. Matt Gamel won Panhandle Conference Player of the Year honors. A total of eight Indians were named to the All-Conference team, including: First Team members Matt Gamel, Justin Byler, Travis Anderson, Jason Lewis, and Liam Shanahan; and Second Team members Vladimir Frias, Dave Cash and Clay Long.

Chipola head coach Jeff Johnson was named Conference Coach of the Year.

In nine seasons at the helm of the Chipola program, Johnson has a combined record of 310-163 and has advanced to the state Region VIII tournament five times.

Chipola has won the Panhandle Conference Championship trophy three times in the last five years. Coach Johnson has sent 66 players on to either professional baseball or to four-year college programs.

For the latest scores, call 718-2CJC, or visit www.chipola.edu

Chipola awards first bachelor’s degrees

Chipola College awarded the first bachelor’s degrees in the college’s history to 10 graduates of the college’s Mathematics Education and Biology Education programs. Eight of the 10 graduates participated in the graduation ceremony on May 5.

Graduates of the program are certified to teach in public schools in Florida. Members of the first class are: Clinton Clemons, Maggie Nesbitt, Salena Grace, Meghan Smith, Tameka Larry, Starr Young, Kim Stevens, Whitney Sims Cherry, Jena Hamm Jeter and David Shuler.

Chipola College president Dr. Gene Prough said, “Chipola opened its doors in the Fall of 1947 to provide opportunity for the people in this area. Now, 58 years later, we congratulate Chipola’s first four-year graduates. They will go down in Chipola history as the first group of students who made the most of this new opportunity.”

In 2004, Chipola officials promised free tuition to the first 20 students to enroll in the program. According to Dr. Kitty Myers, Chipola’s Associate Vice-President of Instruction and Baccalaureate Program Development, the college has kept that promise. “None of our bachelor’s degree students has had to pay out-of-pocket expenses for tuition,” Myers said. The Chipola Foundation still maintains a fund for students who enroll in the program.

The new Chipola program recently earned State Approved Teacher Education program status by the Florida Department of Education.

Graduates of the Chipola Teacher Education program are certified to teach math or science in middle or high school. Students who have completed most of the work towards an AA degree, and who have a strong background in math or science, are encouraged to apply.

For information about the program, contact Dr. Myers at 850-718-2260.

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Chipola President Dr. Gene Prough said, “This is a fitting tribute to David. He believed in helping people, and this scholarship will help many students realize the dream of a college education.”

Others wishing to make donations to the scholarship should send checks payable to the Chipola College Foundation, 3094 Indian Circle, Marianna, FL 32446 and indicate that the donation is for the David Coley Memorial Scholarship. For information, call the Chipola Foundation at 718-2478.
Chipola’s Spring Dean’s List announced

Dr. Sarah Clemmons, vice president of Instructional and Student Services at Chipola College, commends the 176 students who made the Dean’s List for academic achievement during the Spring Semester 2005.

To be placed on the Dean’s List, a student must take 12 or more semester hours of courses and make an average of 3.25 (B+) to 4.0 (A) in all courses.

Students who made perfect averages of 4.0—straight A’s—and their hometowns are:

- Altha — Keith Johnson
- Blountstown — Rebecca Carder, Whitney Cherry, Sharon Henderson
- Bonifay — Anna Callahan, Timra Clemmons, Jason Durko, Kimberly Garske, Tyler Goodman, Cesar Morales, Jerrid Pippin
- Bristol — Laura Wohlgquist
- Campbellton — Angelia Douglas
- Chattahoochee — Ashley Melzer
- Chipley — Patsy Lee, Alaina Pitts, William Sasser
- Cottondale — Amanda Cloud, Lindsay Polston, Megan Scurluck
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- Grand Ridge — Waylon Lewis, Aaron Moneyham
- Greenwood — Katie Basford, Shannon Bass
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- Sneads — Paige Rentz
- Westville — Kaye Jesson, Andrea Mims
- Students who earned grade point averages ranging from 3.25 (B+) to 3.99 (A) and their hometowns are:
- Alford — Alicia Clemmons
- Attha — Natasha Fielder, Amelia Flores, Terri Keith, John Marlow, Rona Van Lierop
- Blountstown — Jessica Anderson, John Baker, Kelly Blair, Joanna Bridges, James Gates, Pamela Russell, Natalie States
- Bonifay — Amanda Aronhalt, Christin Carrell, Julie Chance, Carey Dunn, Christopher Lauen, Nicholas Medley, Daniel Medley, Erica Sapp, James Sims III
- Bristol — Michelle Blackburn, Ashley Durham, Karah Rucklely
- Campbellton — Demeetris Beachum, Jessica Olds
- Chattahoochee — Stephanie Mann, Nichole Rivera
- Chipley — Sandra Baguzis, Melanie Bledsoe, Cassandra Bowman, Corazon Burke, Jennifer Churchwell, Patricia Coleman, Beverly Gumer, Kacy Gilbert, Wendell Hodges Jr, Casey Hughes, Nicole Knight, Tristin Kroening, April Lee, Kendra Mayfield, Deborah Metzandrews, Alex Parker, Jenna Peol, Cassandra Prichard, Patrick Roark, Justin Warden, Karen Waymire, Ashley Wilberding, Brian Wilder
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- Out of District — (A’s and B’s) Diana Clifford of Braidwood, IL, Maggie Nesbitt of Defuniak Springs, Bradley Brooks of Donaldsonville, GA, Joy Post, Meredith Carpenter, Jennifer McKnight, Bradford Taylor of Dothan, AL, Diana Tatem of Ft. Lee, VA, Melissa Delgado of Gainesville, FL, Tawonda Thomas, Yvonka Williams of Quincy, Marie Ruano of Sanford, Jennifer Dowdy of Tallahassee.

Children’s summer programs at Chipola

Chipola College will offer programs for children of all ages this summer.

Swimming lessons will be offered for ages four and up. Lessons are based on a combination of nationally-recognized methods. The following sessions are scheduled:
- Session 1: May 23-June 3 (No class on Memorial day); Session 2: June 6-16; Session 3: June 20-30; and Session 4: July 11-21.
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- Camps meet from 9 a.m. to noon. Call 718-2364 or 209-1010.
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Chipola Baseball Coach Jeff Johnson will offer five baseball camps. A Baseball Skills Camp for ages 8-12 will meet June 6-9. The $75 fee includes insurance and camp t-shirt. A Young Pitchers Camp for ages 8-12 will meet June 13-14. Cost is $100. A Pitching Camp for ages 13-18 will meet June 15-16. Cost is $100. A Young Hitters Camp for ages 8-12 will meet June 20-21. Cost is $100. A Hitting Camp for ages 13-18 will meet June 22-23. Cost is $100. All baseball camps meet from 9 a.m. to noon. Call 718-2337.

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Chipola Basketball coach Greg Heiar will offer Boys Basketball Camps June 13-15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Players will be grouped according to ages: 7-10, 11-14 and 15-18. The Chipola coaching staff and players will help youngsters learn the fundamentals of basketball. The fee of $100 includes insurance, camp t-shirt and lunch. Call 718-2364 or 209-1010.

Chipola softball coach Greg Heiar will offer eight Softball camps. A Softball Skills Camp will meet May 25-26 and again July 6-7. Ages 5-12 will meet from 9 a.m. to noon. Ages 13 and up will meet from 1 to 4 p.m. Softball Hitting Camps will meet July 11. Ages 5-12 will meet from 9 a.m. to noon. Ages 12 and up will meet from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Softball Pitching Camps will meet July 12. Ages 5-12 will meet from 9 a.m. to noon. Ages 13 and up will meet from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cost of each softball camps is $50, and includes insurance and camp t-shirt. Contact Coach Hendrix at 718-2358.
Chipola awarded at PTK Convention

The Chipola College Nu Chi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa received the Leadership Hallmark Award and Waylon Lewis won the Distinguished Chapter President Award at the recent 2005 Phi Theta Kappa International Convention in Grapevine, Texas.

Nearly 500 chapters competed for the Society’s most coveted awards. The Hallmark Awards Program is the society’s capstone competition annually recognizing excellence in programs that promote the Hallmarks of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Fellowship.

The Chipola Chapter also was named Most Distinguished Chapter in the Florida Region at the Regional Convention earlier this year. Chipola won all four Regional Hallmarks in Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Fellowship. Chipola sophomore Ashley Melzer won second place in the Nota Bene Award for the Florida Region. Sophomore Chris Shaw won second in the Speech Contest.

Chipola students—Brandon Sasser, Paige Rentz and Lauren Eade—were among only 20 students nationwide to be named Guistwhite Scholars. Lauren Eade won all five of PTK’s major awards: Leaders of Promise Scholarship, Coca Cola Scholarship, All USA Today First Team, New Century Scholar and Guistwhite.

Paige Rentz won four of the five major awards: Leaders of Promise, Coca Cola, All USA Today First Team and Guistwhite.

Phi Theta Kappa is the International Honor Society of the Two-Year College. The Society is comprised of more than 1,200 chapters at community, technical and junior colleges in all 50 states, Canada, Germany and U.S. territories abroad, making it the largest and most prestigious honor society serving two-year colleges. Membership is based primarily upon academic achievement. The organization offers opportunities for scholarships, intellectual enrichment and personal development through programs based on the Society’s Hallmarks.

Congratulations to buyback drawing winners: Chris Works, Linda Morales, Jessica Crutchfield, Casey Benner, Chase Walters, Mitch Larkins and grand prize winner Jamaal Jones.

REP ON CAMPUS. A representative from FSU Panama City Campus will be available on May 17 from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in Building C.

SUCCESS CENTER HOURS:
Monday-Friday
8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER HOURS:
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For more information concerning specific tests available, call 718-2284.

BOOKSTORE HOURS:
Mon-Thurs 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Friday 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Book Buyback is still going on for specific books until the end of May.

LIBRARY
SUMMER HOURS:
Monday - Wednesday
7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday
7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Closed Saturday & Sunday

TECH CENTER
SUMMER HOURS:
Monday-Thursday
7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m

YEARBOOKS ON SALE. Students may order their yearbook online at www.chipola.edu/yearbook or in the Public Relations Office located in the back of the library. Yearbooks will be on sale through June 1, 2005. Call Evelyn Ward at 718-2265.