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CJC and Jackson County join forces for dual enrollment

Jackson District Schools and the Workforce Development Division at Chipola are collaborating to enhance the career training opportunities for high school students in Jackson County by providing transportation to the college.

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors may take advantage of existing school bus routes to dual enroll in Workforce Development programs at CJC. Specifically, students from the Malone, Sneads, and Grand Ridge area may access the college on one bus while those from the Graceville and Cottondale area will also have a route. Students from Chipola’s five county district with a 2.0 GPA are eligible to dual enroll in Workforce Development programs after completing the ninth grade.

Bus transportation from Marianna High will not be provided due to the close proximity of the college.

Superintendent Danny Sims said, “This service will provide students with an excellent opportunity to begin career training at Chipola while satisfying their elective credits at no cost to them.”

Bud Riviere, Dean of Workforce Development at CJC, says, “Students can enroll in the colleges’ array of high wage/high skill training opportunities, work toward program completion, and prepare for employment at or before graduating from high school. The college sincerely appreciates the fact that our colleagues in Jackson District Schools recognize the importance of the advanced workforce training programs for their students available at Chipola.”

For information on dual enrollment in Workforce Development, call counselor Gary Cook at 850-718-2397.

Chipola offers English online

This fall, CJC will offer ENC 1101 (Communications Skills I) in an online format.

Students and instructor will interact via the Internet, meeting only once every two weeks at the college to write in-class essays. A chat room, CD-ROM, discussion room, and e-mail replace most of the instructor’s classroom lectures and group discussions.

Dr. Laurie Culbreth, a CJC English instructor who also teaches English online for the University of Phoenix will teach the course.

Culbreth says, “Online students must possess computer/internet skills and should be able to manage effectively their academic, personal, and/or professional schedules.”

CJC students who enrolled in the spring or summer terms may register for fall classes on July 22-25 or Aug. 14-16. New students may register for fall classes on Aug. 15 and 16 after completing the application process.

Persons interested in the course must register on the CJC campus before logging in and registering with the instructor at culbrethl@chipola.edu

For more information, call 526-2761, extension 3298.
Crisp serving National Science Foundation internship

Recent CJC graduate Stephanie Crisp of Graceville is currently serving an internship with the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C.

Crisp was public relations officer of the Chipola chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges, which sponsors the intern program.

During her internship with the National Science Foundation, Crisp is working with another intern to write a series of profiles about students from two-year colleges who have received NSF Computer Science, Engineering, or Mathematics Scholarships. The interns will conduct interviews and make site visits to three nearby two-year colleges with scholarship grants. The profiles will be published as a booklet entitled, “Developing Tomorrow’s Technology Workforce: Community College Success Stories,” which emphasizes the importance of mathematics and science in teacher education programs. The publications will be widely distributed to two-year college educators, proponents of broad based education, and senior institution representatives, to showcase the achievements of two-year college students and to promote the two-year institutions for their participation in scholarship programs funded by NSF. Crisp will also facilitate a workshop, to be held at the Mayflower Hotel, focusing on the role of two-year colleges in cyber security.

Crisp is a Microbiology and Cell Science major who plans to transfer to the University of Florida to pursue a career in dentistry. She hopes to specialize in orthodontics, and possibly open a private practice near her hometown of Graceville.

Crisp was one of 12 interns selected from the 1,600 students who were eligible to apply. She also was a member of the All-USA Academic Second Team that placed her among the top 40 students in a pool of over 10 million community college students. Crisp is the third CJC student in the last four years to be named to the USA Today Community and Junior College All Academic Team.

She is the daughter of Benjie and Stephen Crisp of Graceville.

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The University Center @ Chipola is pleased to announce a new collaborative agreement between Florida State University and Chipola.

Beginning in the Fall semester, FSU will offer a full-time BS in Business Administration on Chipola’s campus. In addition, a part-time RN to BS in Nursing (BSN) degree will be delivered face-to-face on Chipola’s campus. Courses will be taught by faculty from FSU’s nationally-recognized and accredited Schools of Business and Nursing. Graduates will be awarded FSU degrees.

Student input will influence the times and days on which classes will be scheduled. FSU officials will pay particular attention to the need for flexible scheduling for RN’s who enroll in the BSN program.

FSU and Chipola have scheduled Information Sessions for both degrees on the Chipola campus. Admissions specialists and faculty will be on-hand to discuss program requirements, admission information, registration procedures, and more.

The Business Administration meeting is Tuesday, July 9 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in L400 at CJC. The RN to BSN meeting is Thursday, July 11 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in L400 at Chipola.

Anyone who wishes to enroll for Fall 2002 or who might be interested in enrolling at a later date is encouraged to attend.

Dr. Kitty Myers, who directs the CJC University Center says, “This is a unique chance to obtain answers to your questions and receive assistance in completing admission, registration, and financial aid procedures. Attendance at these meetings is important to make your transfer to FSU @ Chipola trouble free.” Students are encouraged to bring copies of transcripts.

For information about the University Center @ Chipola, contact Dr. Kitty Myers at (850) 718-2260, e-mail myersk@chipola.edu or visit CJC on the web at www.chipola.edu

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Independence Day was properly the day in which Congress passed the resolution which actually established our independence - July 2, 1776 and not July 4, 1776.