

Broward College Update

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Broward College Recognized by Florida Governor for Cost Savings Ideas



Florida Governor Rick Scott has conferred a Leadership Award to Broward College in recognition of its investment in Florida's future by providing the most innovative cost-saving ideas of the state's colleges. The award was presented during the Degrees to Jobs Summit in Orlando on May 26. Together with Governor Scott, Madeline Pumariega, chancellor for the Florida College System, and Marshall Criser III, chancellor for the Florida State University System, presented representatives of Broward College with the award.

Broward College Awarded \$100,000 Achieving the Dream Open Educational Resource Degree Grant



Broward College was recently awarded the Achieving the Dream Open Educational Resource (OER) Degree Grant. The grant of \$100,000 will support the availability of open resources to students and assist in mitigating the rising costs of textbooks and class materials. Over a 31-month period, the grant will underwrite alternative curriculum resources such as videos, papers, and multi-use licenses for materials for Broward College Online courses.

The OER Degree Initiative seeks to improve college access and completion, especially for underserved students, by engaging faculty in the redesign of classes and degree programs by replacing textbooks with open educational resources. This past year it is estimated that 22,198 Broward College students saved over \$2.2 million in textbook and materials costs due, in part, to the availability of supplemental resources and creative textbook alternatives.

Aviation Celebrates Groundbreaking on New Facility



On Thursday, May 26, Broward College and Diversified Companies celebrated the groundbreaking for a new aviation facility at North Perry Airport in Pembroke Pines, Fla. Broward College has leased three hangars for its Aviation Maintenance Management Associate of Science program, and will house four classrooms, faculty offices, and shop space in the 13,500 square-foot facility.

Broward College President Armstrong joined Broward College Board of Trustee David Maymon; Dean of Transportation Programs Russ McCaffery; Nancy Botero, Vice President of

Advancement and Executive Director of the Broward College Foundation; and elected officials to launch the construction. The new facility is expected to open Spring 2017, and will serve 425 students.

The need for the facility was created in part by the expansion of the Fort Lauderdale Hollywood International Airport, which has seen the demand for highly skilled aviation maintenance workers skyrocket. Currently, there are 225 students in the program, and 150 additional students on the waiting list.

Bailey Hall Launches Ticket Packages for its 2016-2017 Season

Broward College is proud to announce the 2016-2017 cultural arts calendar for Bailey Hall. The season will begin this September and will include its signature "Bailey Hall Presents" series, a classical chamber music series, and a special touring film series. Season and series ticket packages are currently on sale. Individual show tickets will go on sale July 15.

In addition to providing the community with an outstanding opportunity to interact with exemplary music, theater, dance and film, Bailey Hall is committed to including an educational component. The visiting musicians and theater troupes help Broward College enrich its curriculum by creating workshops and master classes for students in performing arts programs.

Tickets can be purchased by visiting www.baileyhall.org or contacting the Bailey Hall box office at (954) 201-6884. The box office and phone lines are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

UPCOMING SHOWS



Nai-Ni Chen Dance
Song of the Phoenix
September 24, 2016
7:30 p.m.



Malika Tirolien
A fresh new
sound to Jazz
October 29, 2016
7:30 p.m.

President Armstrong Attends Graduation in Peru & Sri Lanka

PERU

On June 7, President Armstrong attended the graduation of 27 students from a joint degree program with the Universidad San Ignacio de Loyola (USIL) in Lima, Peru. The ceremony also marked the renewal of the partnership between USIL and Broward College, which was initially approved in 2011 by Southern Association for Colleges and Schools as an international center.

The renewal of the contract will also see an extension of the program to other university students to study abroad at USIL in Lima or their Cusco campus. Other partners in the program are the USF College of Business, the University of Houston College of Hospitality Management, and the UCF College of Industrial Engineering.

SRI LANKA

President Armstrong also delivered the keynote address at a graduation ceremony in Sri Lanka to recognize graduates of the College's International Center. The center, known as the American College of Higher Education (ACHE), has five locations in Sri Lanka. Through ACHE, Broward College has provided the students of Sri Lanka with affordable and accessible education for the last 21 years. Students are given the opportunity to start the first two years of their degrees in Sri Lanka and complete the final two in some of the most prestigious universities in the United States.



“We have worked to help you become thoughtful, well-educated people ready to create, build, renovate and resolve the world so that it might be better for future generations,” said President Armstrong. “You are prepared to move forward and continue your education or go into the global workforce, and today you stand on the doorway to your success. What’s out there – what lies ahead – is wondrous, and it’s yours to shape.”

Broward College North Campus Hosts Annual World Refugee Day



On June 17, 200 Broward County residents were naturalized as part of a ceremony organized by Broward College in honor of Annual World Refugee Day. The ceremony was part of a larger community event held at the College's Omni Auditorium in Coconut Creek to honor the cultural contributions of local refugees who were forced to flee their homes under threat of persecution, conflict and violence. The event, termed the “Family Fun Day Fair” provided the opportunity for underserved families to access services from local agencies and nonprofit organizations, and featured games, giveaways and activities. The event also highlighted the contributions of refugees and honored outstanding children and adult refugees in Broward and Palm Beach Counties. There were more than 700 people in attendance.

Barbara S. Wells Named to Broward College Foundation Board of Directors

The Broward College Foundation recently named Barbara S. Wells to its board of directors. Wells is the granddaughter of philanthropist Lillian S. Wells and lead trustee of the Lillian S. Wells Foundation. She has facilitated donations to many nonprofit organizations, primarily in the realms of the arts, healthcare and human services, and education, including significant gifts to Broward College.

Under Wells' leadership, the Lillian S. Wells Foundation made a \$2.5 million gift last year to fund the Health Sciences Simulation Center at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. The foundation's support of Broward College dates back to 1994 with a substantial donation to what would become the George and Virginia Young Memorial Endowed Scholarship, named in honor of a pioneer resident, builder and civic leader. The foundation also established the Lillian S. Wells Fund for Academic Excellence, which has supported the Broward College Foundation's Mini Grant program for several years.

Wells, a Fort Lauderdale resident, earned a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Arizona in Phoenix. She is a member of the James Madison Institute and Museum of Art and the Las Olas Property Owners Association and serves on the Fort Lauderdale Museum of Art board of directors.



Broward College Participates in 2016 Tools for Schools Annual Back to School Drive

Broward College is firmly committed to ensuring all students – from kindergarten to college – have the tools and resources they need to succeed in school. Currently, there are more than 57% of Broward County students who qualify for the free and reduced lunch program, meaning their families make less than \$24,000 annually. After rent, car payments, food, and utilities many families have very little left for school supplies.

From **July 5 through early August**, the College will participate in a county-wide 2016 Tools for Schools Annual Back to School Drive. Collection bins will be located in the Student Life Centers on all three campuses – A. Hugh Adams Central Campus, the Judson A. Samuels South Campus, or North Campus.

Popular items needed include: glue sticks, rulers, pink erasers, crayons, composition books, filler paper, dry erase markers, pencils, colored pencils, pens, two-pocket folders, and copy paper.

You also can make a direct donation by visiting www.browardedfoundation.org. A \$50 contribution will fill one backpack with much-needed school supplies for a child.

Now through August, donations from students, faculty and staff will help Broward College provide supplies to the next generation of doctors, teachers, and future leaders of South Florida.

Student Heroes Honored



L to R: Alex Hauman, Marie Rattigan, Kaylia Robinson and Jefferson Dejesus.

Four students were honored at the recent Board of Trustees meeting by President Armstrong for their commendable action in extinguishing a fire in Building 1 at Central Campus on May 25. The students, Alex Hauman, Marie Rattigan, Kaylia Robinson and Jefferson Dejesus were the first to respond and worked selflessly to contain and put out the blaze which is estimated to have been between four and six feet.

By risking their own safety, the four also took immediate measures to alert students and staff, evacuate the building and contact the fire department. They all sustained minor injuries in the process. The honorees, three of whom are also part-time workers at the College, received a standing ovation as they were presented with their plaques of commendation for their courage.

Broward College Foundation Exceeds Salah Foundation Match Gift

The Salah Foundation prides itself on investing in worthy organizations over giving donations. Recently, the organization invested in the Broward College Foundation to launch the American Dream scholarship initiative with a \$50,000 match grant.

The College was tasked with attracting new donors to match the Foundation's contribution within one month. Not only did the Broward College reach their goal but raised a total of \$477,865, an overall 105 percent increase from last year. Attorney George Taylor, a board member for the Salah Foundation, could not make the recent Board of Trustees meeting, however, he gave instructions to use the allotted time to acknowledge all others who made the match gift possible. So far, the American Dream has provided scholarships to more than 600 recipients.

Florida State Politicians Recognized at Board Meeting

Broward College honored two of its biggest champions for education in Tallahassee during the June Board of Trustees meeting. Florida State Senator Eleanor Sobel and Florida House of Representatives George R. Moraitis, Jr. were recognized for their long-standing support of Broward College. Despite being on opposite sides of the political fence, each stressed the importance of finding areas of commonality and coming together for the greater good.



Rep. Moraitis, who serves as vice chair for the committee of higher education, complimented the school for its ability to offer all residents of South Florida with access to higher education. Sen. Sobel, whose term in the senate is coming to an end, closed by saying she plans to continue advocating for the same kind of innovation the College provides for the community.

Board Approves a 1.82% Performance Pay Increase

While discussing President Armstrong's evaluation process with the Board of Trustees, President Armstrong eschewed a personal raise, instead advocating for a raise for employees' hard work. The board members then voted on a 1.82% performance pay increase for non-union employees.