

Mission

Pearl River Community College is a public institution committed to providing quality educational and service opportunities for all who seek them.

Goals

- To prepare students to complete a degree or certificate program and to be competent in careers for which they have been prepared.
- To provide quality student services.
- To provide access to college courses and programs using various instructional methods, including distance education and dual enrollment/ credit courses.
- To employ qualified faculty and staff, compensate them well, and provide opportunities for their professional development.
- To provide facilities, technology, and support staff in order to improve student learning, enhance faculty and staff performance, and augment community services.
- To provide adequate communication among campus personnel and community members regarding the College goals, outcomes, and activities.
- To recruit and retain students from a diverse population.
- To provide workforce training programs that meet requirements of business, industry, educational, and public service agencies for basic skills, specific job skills, and technical skills training.

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Burn the Boats!

Faculty/Staff Professional Development

Dr. Adam Breerwood opened the August Professional Development session with a challenge for all employees of Pearl River Community College. "Burn the Boats" was the theme referencing both Conquistador Cortez and the level of commitment that Dr. Breerwood expects from everyone representing PRCC. There is to be no retreat and no surrender.



As a first-generation college graduate, Dr. Breerwood believes that we have the opportunity to change lives at PRCC on a daily basis.



All employees received T shirts announcing the theme for Professional Development.

Dr. Breerwood shared some of his personal educational journey as a first-generation college graduate. He reminded faculty of his pilgrimage from Assistant Baseball coach to President of this institution. He stated that there is no place that he would rather be, and that he wants PRCC to be the best in the nation. While challenges are recognized, Dr. Breerwood accepts no excuses, Burn the Boats!

Motivation From a Friend

Dr. Sam Jones, Vice President for Student Affairs at Jones County Junior College, delivered a motivational message during a subsequent session of Professional Development in addition to speaking at the Leadership Breakfast. He is a personal friend of

Dr. Breerwood and a former professional basketball player. Dr. Jones drew from his past in rural Mississippi to motivate the faculty and staff to use their power to make a difference in their communities and in the lives of their students.



Dr. Sam Jones



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Pearl River Community College continues to offer ACT test preparation assistance for the students in our district. A session was completed at the Forrest County Center on September 15, 2017 with 22 students in attendance. An upcoming session is available at the Hancock Center on October 20, 2017.



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ACT[®] BOOT CAMP

HANCOCK CENTER

WHEN:		SAMPLE AGENDA	
Friday, October 20, 2017 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACT TEST TAKING STRATEGIES 	
PRCC Hancock Center (Room 101) 454 Highway 90, Suite D Waveland, MS 39576		Tips and Techniques to improve your score ENGLISH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Important punctuation marks Right Answer vs. Best Answer 	
Any junior high school or high school student preparing for the ACT		MATH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Translating word problems into workable solutions Overall mathematics review 	
COST: \$55.00 (Includes Study Guide) Payable by check or money order to PRCC and designate for ACT Boot Camp @ Hancock Center. Camp fees are non-refundable. Pizza lunch provided.		READING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Differences in question types Increase reading comprehension 	
REGISTRATION DEADLINE	Registration form and payment must be received by: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, AT 4:00 P.M.	SCIENCE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognizing differences in science problems Scientific Method 	
Limited Seating	40 students maximum 10 students minimum	Dr. Jennifer Seal is an educator and ACT Prep Specialist who is passionate about student success. She provides guided instruction for more successful completion of the ACT.	
Contact:	Brenda Wells, Director of Professional and Community Development Pearl River Community College P. O. Box 5558 Poplarville, MS 39470 Phone: 601-403-1379 Email: bwells@prcc.edu		

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QEP UPDATE

ROAR is designed to help new students get acquainted with PRCC's campus, learn about our Wildcat Ways, get connected with PRCC technologies and find out what to expect on their first day of class.



ROAR, new student orientation, has now become an integral part of the institution as new students are oriented to the college and prepared for day one of class. This year, ROAR sessions were based on groups such as Honors, athletes, or nursing. In 2017 our overall number of sessions was reduced, but with increased sessions per day, the overall number of participants increased.



Additionally, an interactive, online ROAR is being considered for fully online students.

First Year Seminar

First Year Seminar (FYS) was fully launched in Fall 2016. Across all PRCC campuses, 29 sections were offered. The Cohort of students who enrolled in First Year Seminar upon completion of ROAR persisted from Fall to Spring

at a rate of approximately 82% with over 72% of these students completing the hours they attempted. Additionally, many of these students were inducted into Phi Theta Kappa in the Spring.

First Year Seminar Fast Facts

- Average Class Size was 16-17 students. (A small class size was maintained as indicated in the QEP.)
- All Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) were met with many surpassing targeted goals.

Passport Pathways

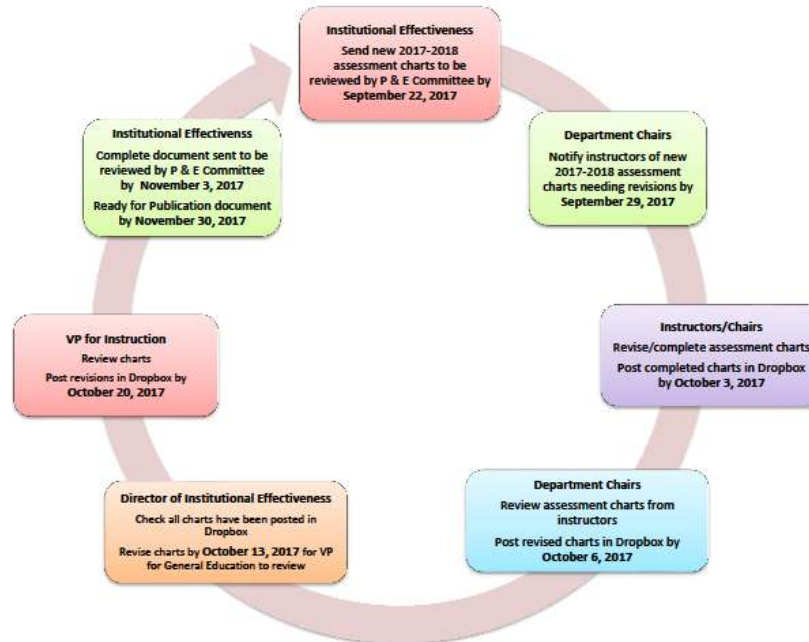
Passport Pathways, the professional development component of the QEP, sponsored two campus wide opportunities for all PRCC constituents. Dr. Amy Baldwin conducted a two-day workshop on active learning strategies and GRIT, and Dr. Robert Sherfield presented on barriers to student success and practical classroom strategies for improving student success. Additionally, six professional development sessions were completed by all FYS faculty as outlined in the QEP as preparation for teaching the

LLS 1313 – Orientation – Passport to Student Success course. We are working with the Director of Institutional Research to expand these six modules to any PRCC employee who might benefit. Passport to Success continues to integrate with areas across the college to improve students' transition to college and to assist students in achieving their academic goals. IT has helped to implement registration PIN numbers that ensure students are advised properly before registration and to produce needed ARGOS

reports for various tasks needed for each component of the QEP. Finally, PRCC's QEP has also begun to align its goals and activities with restructured advising processes and procedures to include the implementation of Degree Works. Degree Works is a tool for students and advisors to use to support student advisement and to monitor progress to graduation. PRCC is on track to implement and meet the designated activities and goals for year two of the QEP. We look forward to another successful year.

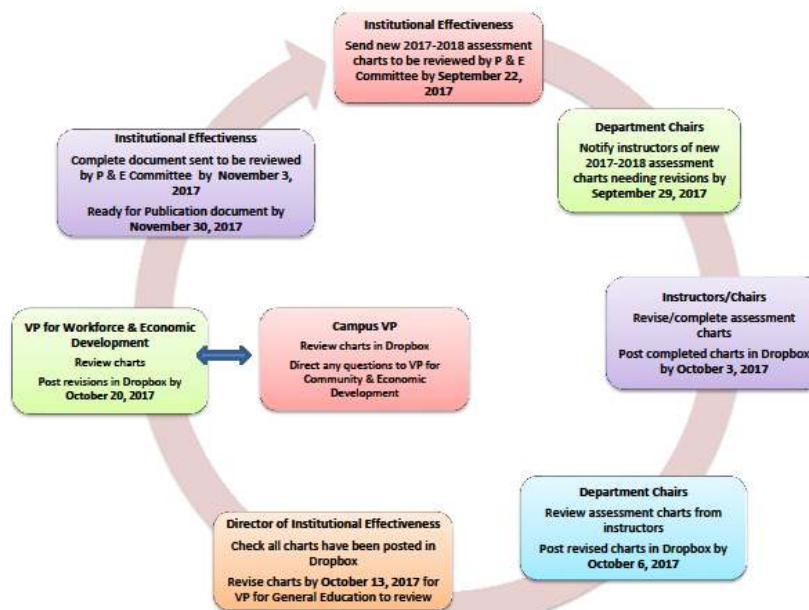
Passport Pathways' mission is to provide resources in understanding the skills needed for students to achieve academic success. These resources include professional development for faculty, staff, and students.

POPLARVILLE CAMPUS
General Education 2017-2018



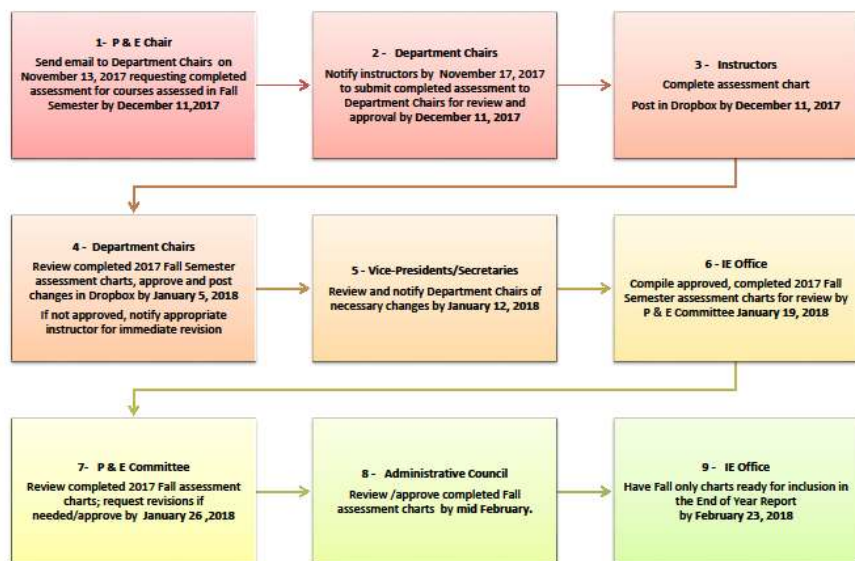
Fall-Spring Assessment Charts (First two columns)

FORREST COUNTY CENTER
2017-2018

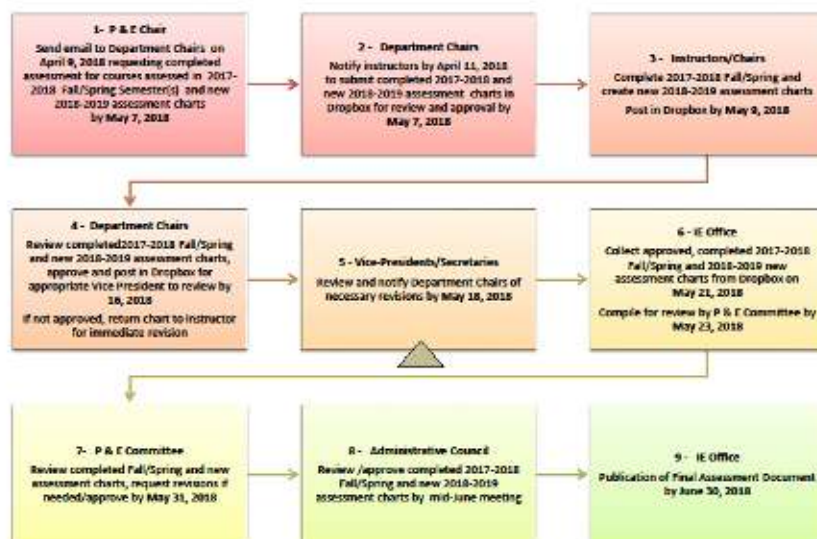


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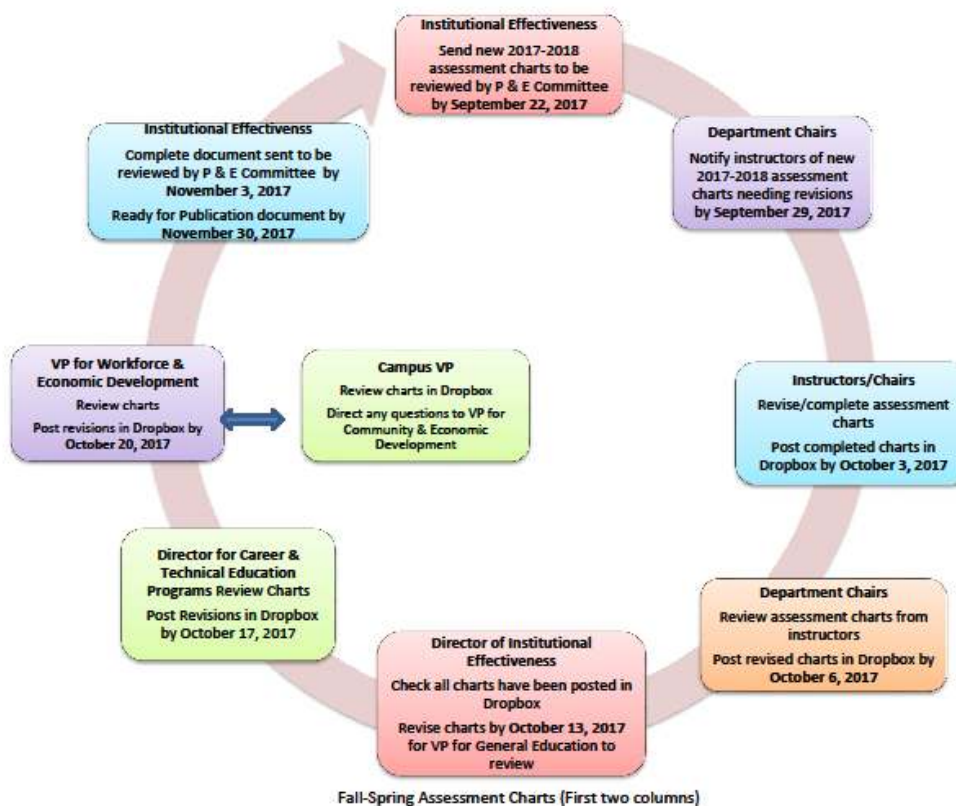
Completion of Instructional Assessment Documentation for Fall 2017
(Completed charts for courses taught in the Fall Only)



Completion of Instructional Assessment Documentation for Fall/Spring 2017-2018
(Completed charts for courses assessed both Fall & Spring or Spring only)



POPLARVILLE CAMPUS
2017-2018



According to policy, 100% of Pearl River Community College employees will be evaluated throughout 2017-2018.

Office of Planning and Institutional Research

Schedule for Evaluations

2017-2018

Student Evaluations of Instruction

September 25, 2017-Student Evaluations of Instruction begin

September 25– November 3, 2017—Student Evaluations of Instruction

January 9, 2018-Student Evaluations of Instruction reports distributed to administrators/supervisors

Performance Reviews of Supervisors

January 22, 2018-Performance Review of Supervisor links emailed to employees

January 22-29, 2018– Performance Reviews of Supervisors

February 23, 2018– Performance Review of Supervisor reports distributed to administrators/supervisors

Personnel Evaluations

February 26, 2018– Personnel Evaluation forms emailed to administrators/supervisors

March 2, 2018– Schedules for Personnel Evaluation sent to Office of Planning and Institutional Research

March 1-April 6, 2018– Personnel Evaluations

Please contact Sharman Ladner at (601)403-1318 with questions regarding evaluations.

WILDCAT WAY TO ADVENTURE KIDS COLLEGE

Kids College Wildcat Way to Adventure academic summer camps increased substantially from last summer to boast an enrollment of 136 campers. There were 13 camp sessions offered this summer which are outlined below:

Robotics I and II - hands-on team experience in programming robots
Dot and Dash Robotics - learning basic coding to make robots move and interact with lights and sounds



Adventures in Art (2 sessions)-
experimentation with water colors and
gravity washes



Astro Camp - Next Generation To Mars - partnership
with NASA to provide engaging activities about space and
a trip to Mars.



Learn to be a Citizen Scientist - comparing and analyzing
data collection from various campus water sources,
and observation of animal and insect life around the
water sources.

Library Adventures - (girls) exploring limitless career
opportunities around the book *I Know I Can!*



Library Adventures! (Boys) ex-
ploring creative side with
Awesome LEGO creations.



WW2A CONTINUED



Creative Writing - brainstorming and writing your own serial stories.



Etiquette Explosion (2 age groups) - unleashing good manners through crafts, activities, and food.



See you in the Funny Papers - crash course in storyboard comic illustration



Plans are already underway for next summer. Get on board for a fun-filled summer by offering to teach a camp session or volunteer as an assistant for a camp session! Contact Melanie Davis at (601) 403-1379 for more information.

Lunch and Learn Series



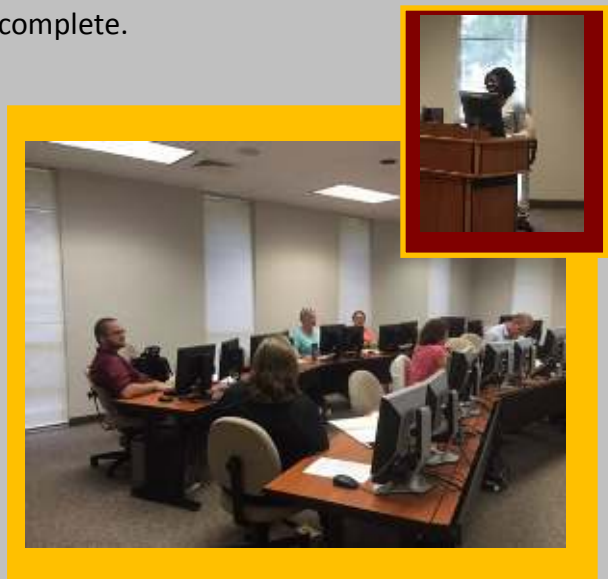
The topic of the proposed \$13 million Pearl River County Courthouse annexes has been a topic of great interest recently. Pearl River County Administrator Adrian Lumpkin presented information and revealed several renderings of the project to a large group of business owners and community members at the PRCC Lunch and Learn meeting on Thursday, September 7, 2017. Also attending were members of the Dr. William Lewis Honors Institute.

Attorney Mike Patton with the law firm of Williams, Williams and Montgomery, gave a historical and economic perspective to the Pearl River County Courthouse, praising the county leaders who had a vision nearly 100 years ago to build the courthouse which has served us well for this length of time. Patton emphasized the inscription on the courthouse dedicating the structure to “all who love truth, justice, and thrift.” He emphasized that the county leaders used thrift in the sense of a wise use of assets and built a beautiful, aesthetically pleasing structure that has been functional for so many years.

Lumpkin stated with confidence that he believes the county can afford the project without raising the millage rate, but stated that even if his projections are incorrect, one mill should generate enough to cover the increased expenses. One mill would be about \$10 a year tax increase on a home assessed at \$100,000. Lumpkin encouraged the public to ask questions. He also stated that if the Board votes to move forward, the project would take about two years to complete.

Technology Boot Camp

The Poplarville Area Chamber of Commerce, MSU Extension Service, and PRCC partnered together again in August 2017 to offer the very popular annual technology boot camp to chamber members and small business owners. Sessions were offered over a three-day span to provide training and assistance to business owners to market and promote their businesses. Sessions included Facebook 101, Facebook Advertising, Twitter 101, Social Media Marketing, Instagram Marketing, Location Based Services and Website Design I and II.





New Employee Orientation was held on Tuesday, August 1st. These new PRCC employees were introduced to administrators and were given information regarding services offered by the Business Office and Library. They are, seated from left, football offensive coordinator Ryan Trevathan, biology instructor Amanda Lawler, Sarah Simmons, adult education navigator at Forrest County Center; Cassie Reid, FCC biology instructor; Hancock Center English instructor Shari Brooks, Stephanie Clark, Hattiesburg WIN Center case manager; standing, John Ladner, unmanned aerial systems instructor; chemistry instructor Erick Moffett, FCC chemistry instructor Jeff Tinnon, advisor Alexandra Kennedy, Daphne Stevens, coaching and professional development specialist; FCC electronics instructor Tim Donati, Melanie Davis, early childhood academy coordinator; Deloris Butler, Hattiesburg WIN Center adult education-computer instructor; and Darby Lenoir, Picayune WIN Center adult education-computer instructor.



Dr. Smith addressed faculty as a part of Professional Development. Faculty members used the opportunity as a show of support for Dr. Breerwood's Burn the Boats challenge.

Professional Development Opportunities

There are a variety of professional development opportunities offered throughout each semester. Be sure to check the list of Faculty/Staff Sharing Sessions listed at <http://www.prcc.edu/institutionalresearch/professionaldevelopment>

MSVCC Academy offers a wealth of professional development opportunities online at <https://sbcjweb.sbcjc.cc.ms.us/msvccpd/Courses/pdcourses.aspx>.

PRCC's eLearning provides ongoing Canvas Training and also provide a variety of additional training sessions for which you can register at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfYCRmPE C4tt-BHL15NjhBaL2zx2jCHclz6TXiU9KzBM1Vlow/viewform?usp=send_form

Suggestions/requests for Professional Development sessions may be submitted for consideration to the Office of Planning and Institutional Research by emailing Melanie Davis at mldavis@prcc.edu or by calling extension 1379.



Changes to PRCC's Non-Discrimination Policy may be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.prcc.edu/faculty/policy-procedure-manual/non-discrimination-policy>

