## Black Hawk College Strategic Plan

Preparing for the 2015-2017 Strategic Plan





# **District Characteristics**



# District Demographics: Age

Demographic	2014 Population	2020 Population	Change	% Change	State 2014 Population	State 2020 Population	State % Change
Under 5 years	13,320	13,492	172	1%	838,895	879,233	5%
5 to 9 years	13,493	13,007	(486)	(4%)	834,491	828,958	(1%)
10 to 14 years	14,111	13,694	(417)	(3%)	871,415	832,827	(4%)
15 to 19 years	13,804	13,849	45	0%	890,813	868,865	(2%)
20 to 24 years	12,705	11,793	(912)	(7%)	893,753	864,404	(3%)
25 to 29 years	12,403	11,882	(521)	(4%)	908,419	908,209	0%
30 to 34 years	13,377	12,484	(893)	(7%)	904,899	902,632	0%
35 to 39 years	12,892	13,361	469	4%	838,337	881,316	5%
40 to 44 years	12,552	12,988	436	3%	827,414	815,102	(1%)
45 to 49 years	13,726	12,325	(1,401)	(10%)	875,664	785,789	(10%)
50 to 54 years	15,820	13,401	(2,419)	(15%)	917,976	832,760	(9%)
55 to 59 years	16,403	14,928	(1,475)	(9%)	873,115	855,369	(2%)
60 to 64 years	15,556	16,144	588	4%	762,971	831,009	9%
65 to 69 years	12,196	14,592	2,396	20%	581,535	701,768	21%
70 to 74 years	9,013	11,527	2,514	28%	405,113	534,324	32%
75 to 79 years	6,877	7,852	975	14%	297,869	350,394	18%
80 to 84 years	5,253	5,452	199	4%	227,377	231,217	2%
85 years and over	5,748	5,558	(190)	(3%)	242,873	234,591	(3%)
Total	219,250	218,329	(921)	0%	12,992,929	13,138,768	1%

## District Demographics: Ethnicity

Demographic	2014 Population	2020 Population	Change	% Change	State 2014 Population	State 2020 Population	State % Change
White, Non-Hispanic	175,400	171,289	(4,111)	(2%)	8,071,925	7,975,658	(1%)
Black, Non-Hispanic	14,469	15,045	576	4%	1,834,274	1,827,682	0%
American Indian or Alaskan Native, Non-Hispanic	428	463	35	8%	19,871	20,330	2%
Asian, Non-Hispanic	3,103	3,386	283	9%	646,488	698,176	8%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic	69	77	8	12%	3,443	3,565	4%
Two or More Races, Non-Hispanic	3,869	4,306	437	11%	197,000	221,475	12%
White, Hispanic	19,293	20,722	1,429	7%	2,005,325	2,142,496	7%
Black, Hispanic	926	1,069	143	15%	75,487	86,258	14%
American Indian or Alaskan Native, Hispanic	676	784	108	16%	65,649	76,898	17%
Asian, Hispanic	141	164	23	16%	17,912	20,812	16%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Hispanic	14	16	2	14%	4,515	4,684	4%
Two or More Races, Hispanic	860	1,007	147	17%	51,040	60,733	19%
Total	219,250	218,329	(921)	0%	12,992,929	13,138,768	1%

# District Demographics: Gender

Demographic	2014 Population	2020 Population	Change	% Change	State 2014 Population	State 2020 Population	State % Change
Males	108,268	108,140	(128)	0%	6,375,742	6,449,139	1%
Females	110,982	110,189	(793)	(1%)	6,617,187	6,689,629	1%
Total	219,250	218,329	(921)	0%	12,992,929	13,138,768	1%

### **Demographics: PreK - 12 Public Schools Enrollment Trends**

Percent Change From 2009-20010 to 2013-2014

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Grade	2009-2010	2013-2014	Change from FY10	% Change from FY10
Pre-K	1,333	1,229	-104	-7.80%
PK Bi-Ling	36	127	91	252.78%
PK Sp Ed	234	290	56	23.93%
К	2,535	2,610	75	2.96%
1st	2,596	2,584	-12	-0.46%
2nd	2,465	2,579	114	4.62%
3rd	2,566	2,550	-16	-0.62%
4th	2,544	2,519	-25	-0.98%
5th	2,634	2,659	25	0.95%
6th	2,554	2,498	-56	-2.19%
7th	2,472	2,614	142	5.74%
8th	2,488	2,630	142	5.71%
9th	2,797	2,832	35	1.25%
10th	2,643	2,587	-56	-2.12%
11th	2,531	2,488	-43	-1.70%
12th*	2,439	2,351	-88	-3.61%
Total	34,867	35,147	280	0.80%

% Change of FY2010 9th Graders to FY2013 12th Graders:

% Change of FY2011 9th Graders to FY2014 12th Graders:

Benchmarks from last Strategic Planning Process:

% Change of FY2007 9th Graders to FY2010 12th Graders:

-13.69%

-10.81%

-16.73%

\* -- This number represents 12th grade students not graduates

### Demographics: PreK – 12 Private Schools Enrollment Trends

Percent Change From 2009-20010 to 2013-2014

Grade	2009-2010	2013-2014	Change from FY10	% Change from FY10
Pre-K	433	311	-122	-28.18%
К	195	174	-21	-10.77%
1st	196	135	-61	-31.12%
2nd	168	140	-28	-16.67%
3rd	181	151	-30	-16.57%
4th	181	158	-23	-12.71%
5th	160	132	-28	-17.50%
6th	185	145	-40	-21.62%
7th	160	154	-6	-3.75%
8th	147	113	-34	-23.13%
9th	130	127	-3	-2.31%
10th	138	135	-3	-2.17%
11th	136	132	-4	-2.94%
12 <sup>th</sup> *	130	127	-3	-2.31%
Total	2,540	2,134	-406	-15.98%

<sup>%</sup> Change of FY2010  $9^{th}$  Graders to FY2013  $12^{th}$  Graders: Benchmarks from last Strategic Planning Process:

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<sup>-2.31%</sup> 

<sup>-10.17%</sup> 

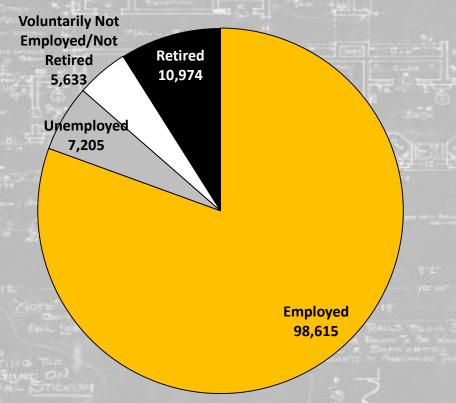
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### **Quad Cities Laborshed Analysis** A Study of Workforce Characteristics

#### Total Potential Labor Force: 531,899

- 7.9% Quad City unemployment rate
  - 7.3% Henry
  - 6.5% Mercer
  - 5.4% Scott
  - 8.8% Whiteside
- 122,427 estimated number of people likely to change or accept other employment

#### **Quad Cities Employment Status**



Laborshed is defined as the area or region from which an employment center draws its commuting workers.

## Quad Cities Laborshed Analysis A Study of Workforce Characteristics

- Quick Facts
  - 14.7% are working multiple jobs
  - Currently working 43 hours per week
  - Average age is 47
  - 40.3% are male and 59.7% are female
  - Identified job search sources:
    - Networking through friends, family and acquaintances
    - Internet
    - · Local/Regional Newspapers
    - · Local IowaWORKS Centers

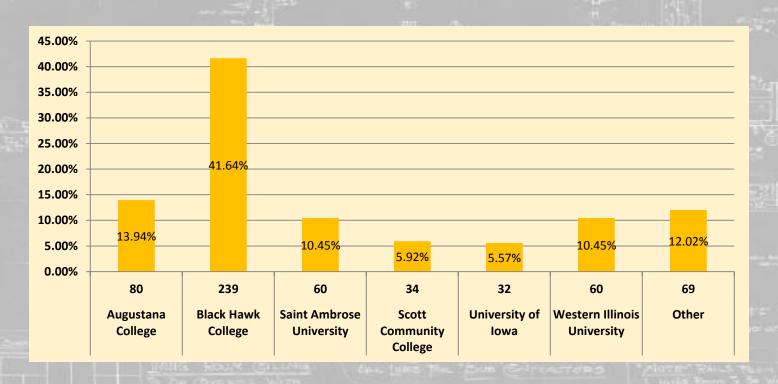
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#### Education

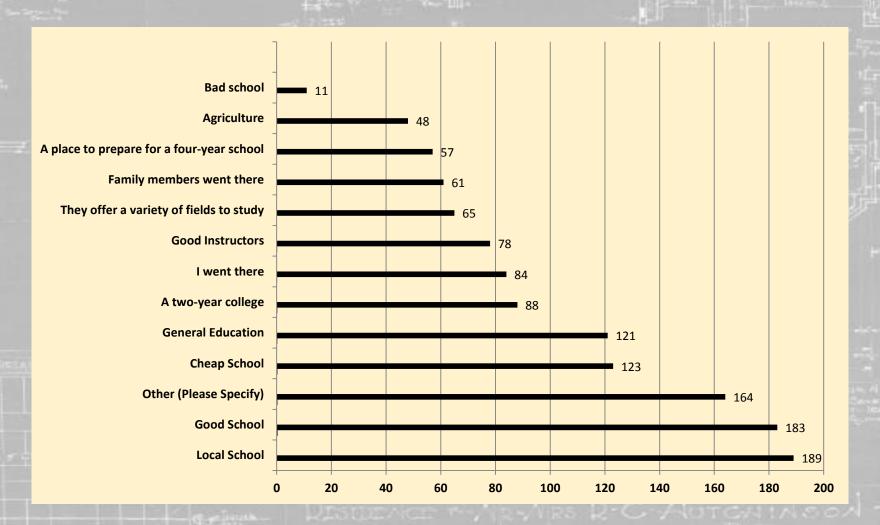
- 77.6% have education beyond high school
- 3.7% are trade certified
- · 1.2% have completed vocational training
- 14.6% have an associate degree
- · 25.7% have an undergraduate degree
- 14.9% have a postgraduate/professional degree



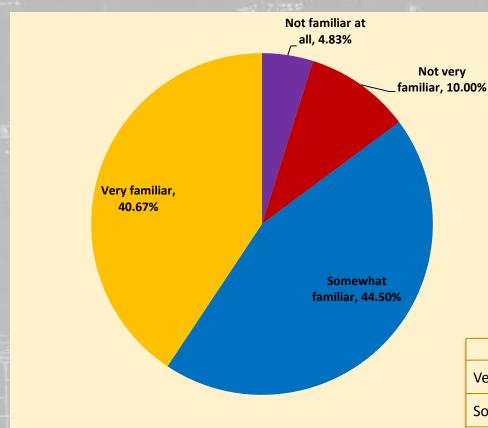
Q11 – When thinking about area colleges and universities, what is the first school that comes to mind?



Q23 - When you think of Black Hawk College, what comes to mind?

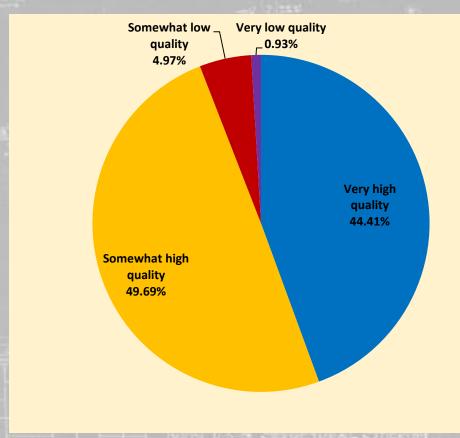


#### Q21 - How familiar are you with Black Hawk College?



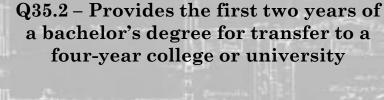
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2010</u>
Very familiar	41%	16%
Somewhat familiar	44%	45%
Not very familiar	10%	24%
Not familiar at all	5%	15%

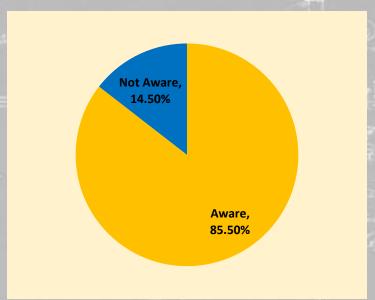
Q29 – How would you rate the quality of instruction received at Black Hawk College?

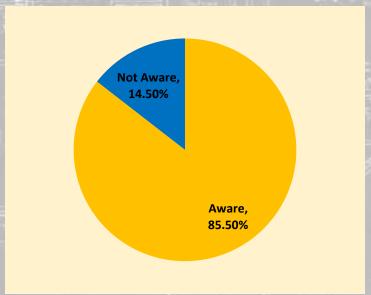


	<u>2013</u>	<u>2010</u>
Very high quality	44%	46%
Somewhat high quality	50%	47%
Somewhat low quality	5%	3%
Very low quality	1%	1%

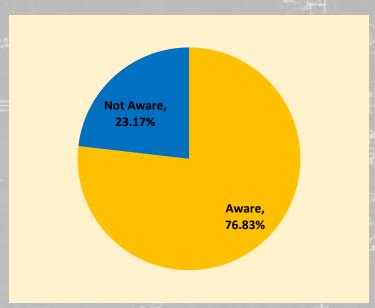
Q35.1 - Provides classes in technical and career fields like nursing, computer technology, manufacturing, and auto technology



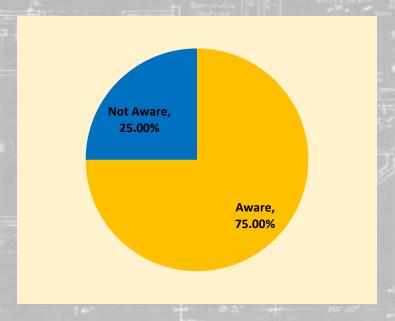




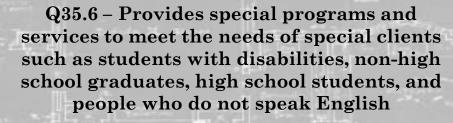
Q35.3 – Provides non-credit courses, programs and activities to meet lifelong learning and continuing education needs

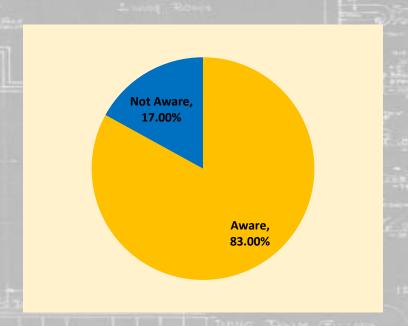


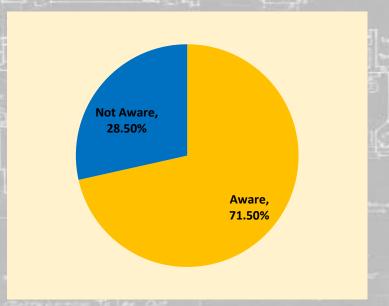
Q35.4 – Provides specialized, shortterm course work to help workers upgrade their skills or unemployed people develop marketable skills



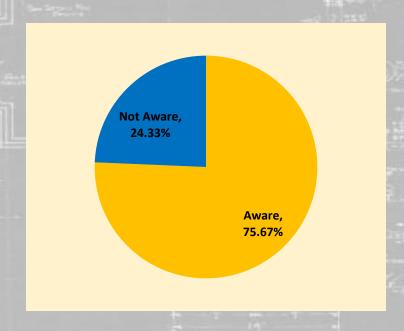
Q35.5 – Provides weekend and evening classes



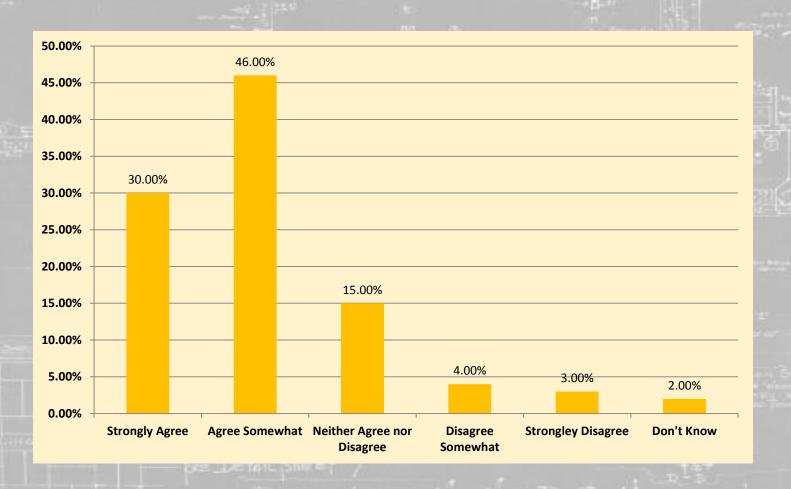




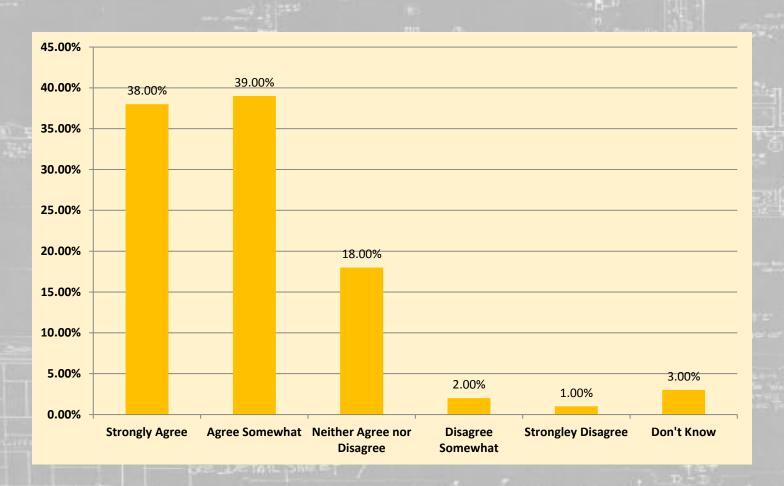
Q35.7 – Provides online courses and degrees



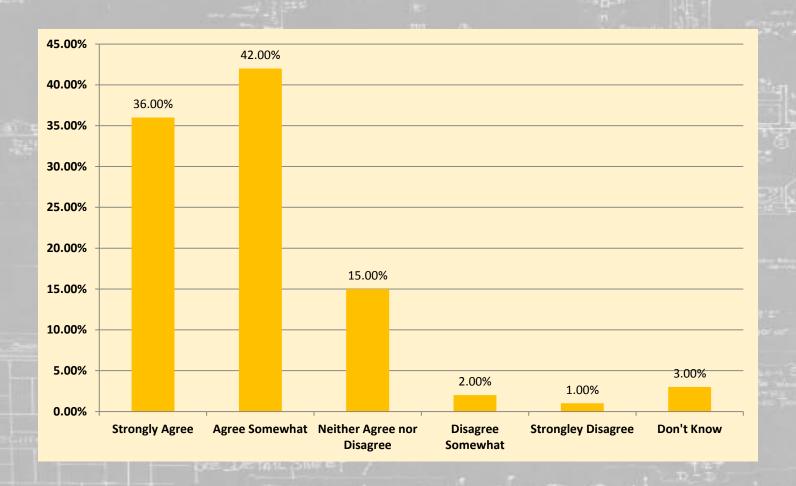
Q36.1 – Black Hawk College provides the local community with the best atmosphere for academic success, career training, personnel and professional development, and lifelong learning.



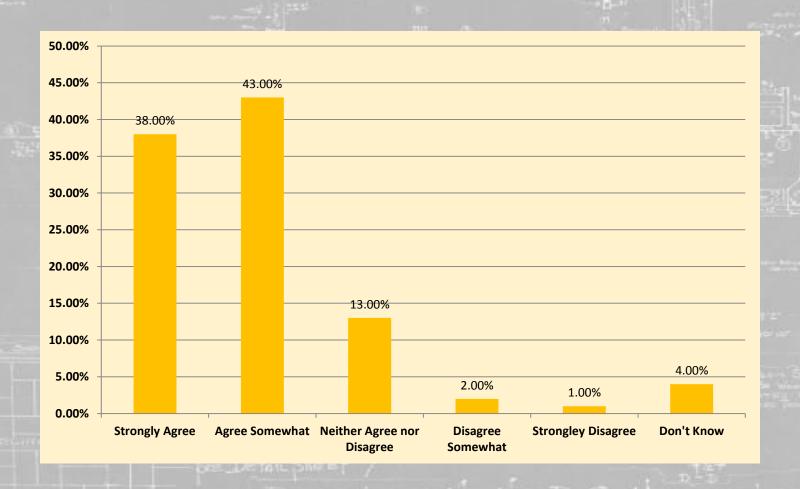
Q36.2 – Black Hawk College operates according to identifiable core values such as appreciation for diversity, caring and compassion toward one another, honesty, integrity, and respect.



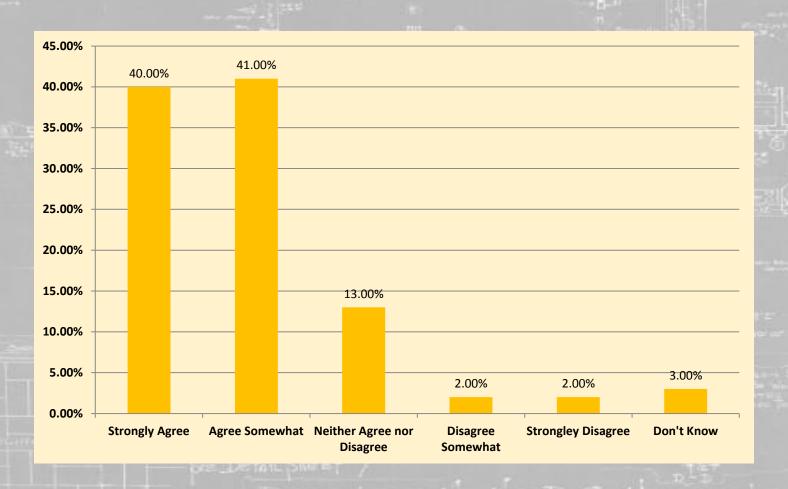
Q36.3 – Black Hawk College connects with students by providing dynamic education programs, services, and leadership development.

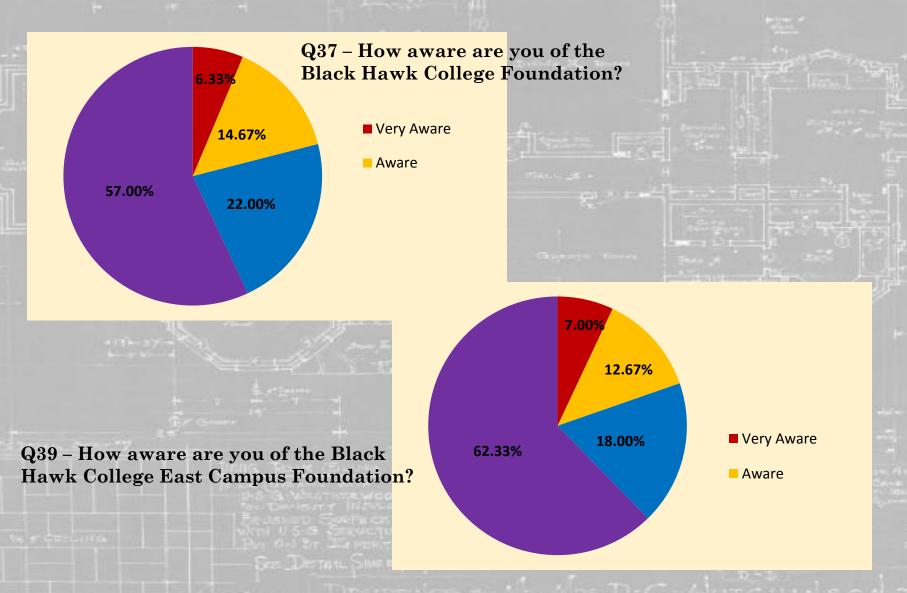


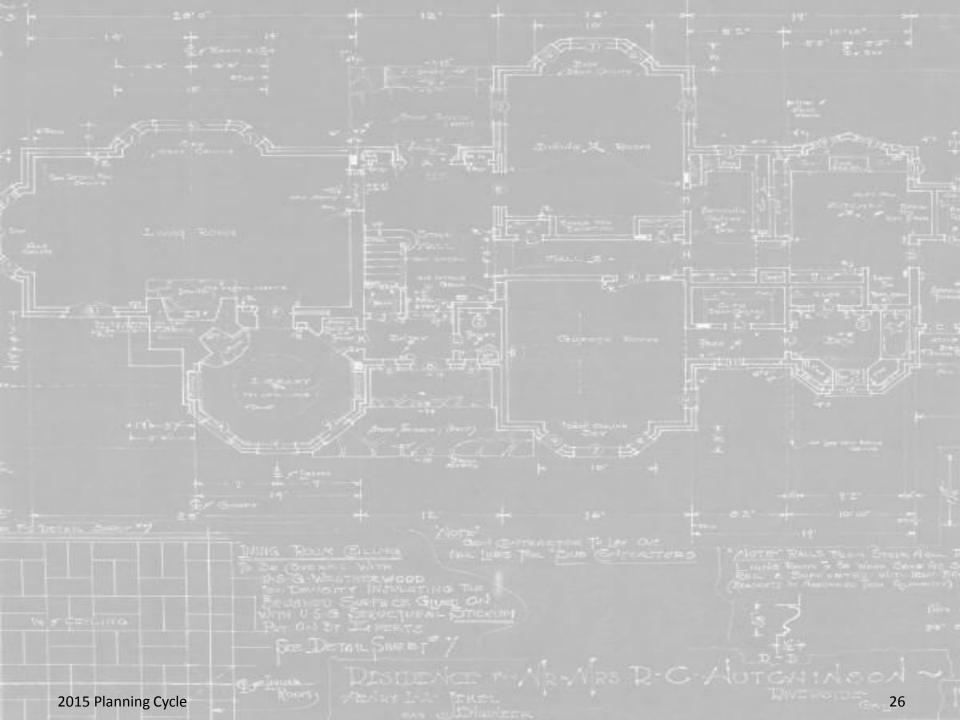
Q36.4 - Black Hawk College employs technology to enhance the academic process.



Q36.5 – Black Hawk College connects with the local community in building partnerships and providing leadership in community and economic development







# College Academic Programs, Enrollment, Tuition



### 15 Fastest Growing Programs Offered @ BHC

Description	2014 Jobs	2020 Jobs	Change	% Change	Annual Openings	Median Hourly Earnings
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (Truck Driving 490205)	753	880	127	16.87%	34	\$16.80
Registered Nurses (Nursing Associate Degree 513801)	1,738	1,846	108	6.21%	56	\$25.62
Nursing Assistants (Basic Nursing Assistant Training Program 513902)	1,303	1,381	78	5.99%	41	\$10.19
Secretaries & Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive (Administrative Assisting 520401)	1,166	1,231	65	5.57%	25	\$13.51
Construction Laborers (Apprenticeship Construction Laborer 460402)	740	797	57	7.70%	26	\$16.10
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks (Accounting Clerk 520302)	949	1,005	56	5.90%	18	\$14.10
Industrial Machinery Mechanics (Apprentice Machine Repair 470303)	414	462	48	11.59%	21	\$21.59
Carpenters (Carpenter Apprenticeship 460201)	528	574	46	8.71%	15	\$20.25
Accountants and Auditors (Accounting Specialist 520301)	583	627	44	7.55%	25	\$26.13
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (Culinary Arts Apprenticeship 120504)	704	745	41	5.82%	28	\$12.12
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (Practical Nursing 513901)	540	578	38	7.04%	20	\$17.76
Computer Systems Analysts (Network Technician 110901)	153	190	37	24.18%	9	\$81.40
Medical Secretaries (Medical Billing Specialist Certificate 510714)	209	243	34	16.27%	9	\$13.81
Medical Assistants (Medical Assisting 510801)	282	316	34	12.06%	11	\$10.50
Machinists (Apprentice Machinist 480501)	891	924	33	3.70%	27	\$19.82

### Fastest Growing Programs\* Nationwide Not Offered @ BHC

Description	2014 Jobs	2020 Jobs	Change	% Change	Annual Openings	Median Hourly Earnings
Home Health Aides (51.2602)	309	364	55	17.80%	16	\$9.53
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (52.1801)	996	1,048	52	5.22%	29	\$24.30
Customer Service Representatives (52.0411)	2,106	2,154	48	2.28%	66	\$13.10
Teacher Assistants (13.1501)	630	676	46	7.30%	22	\$9.36
Bartenders (12.0502)	666	711	45	6.76%	33	\$8.93
Personal Care Aides (51.2602)	322	360	38	11.80%	9	\$9.42
Insulation Workers, Mechanical (46.0414)	91	127	36	39.56%	7	\$27.66
Cooks, Restaurant (12.0503)	486	522	36	7.41%	18	\$9.36
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (46.0401)	832	859	27	3.25%	21	\$18.37
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians (51.100X)	390	417	27	6.92%	16	\$16.38
Receptionists and Information Clerks (52.0406)	480	506	26	5.42%	18	\$11.25
Loan Officers (52.0809)	208	231	23	11.06%	8	\$27.35
Pharmacy Technicians (51.0805)	419	441	22	5.25%	8	\$12.69
Parts Salespersons (52.1907)	290	307	17	5.86%	10	\$21.58
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic (48.0503)	162	178	16	9.88%	8	\$11.11

<sup>\*</sup> Requiring an Associate's Degree or less postsecondary education or training

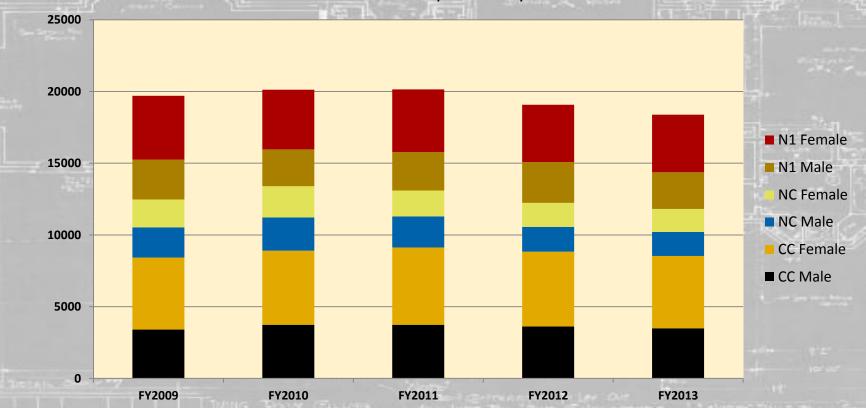
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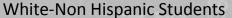
Description	2014 Jobs	2020 Jobs	Change	% Change	Annual Openings	Median Hourly Earnings
Electricians (Apprenticeship Electrical Construction 460302)	278	245	(33)	(11.87%)	6	\$33.89
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters (Apprenticeship Pipe Trades 460502)	253	228	(25)	(9.88%)	5	\$31.84
Data Entry Keyers (Business Information Technology 520407)	134	116	(18)	(13.43%)	1	\$12.17
Heat Treating Equipment Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (Apprentice Machinist 480501)	77	61	(16)	(20.78%)	1	\$12.26
Milling and Planning Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (Apprentice Machinist 480501)	171	159	(12)	(7.02%)	3	\$16.99
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants (Administrative Assisting 520401)	451	444	(7)	(1.55%)	6	\$19.00
Lathe and Turning Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (Apprentice Machinist 480501)	144	137	(7)	(4.86%)	3	\$16.06
Drilling and Boring Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (Apprentice Machinist 480501)	53	47	(6)	(11.32%)	1	\$11.08
Bus Drivers, School or Special Client (Truck Driving 490205)	193	188	(5)	(2.59%)	5	\$10.99
Legal Secretaries (Legal Office Professional 220301)	90	85	(5)	(5.56%)	1	\$14.50
Tool and Die Makers (Apprentice Tool & Die Maker 480507)	120	115	(5)	(4.17%)	1	\$22.88
Layout Workers, Metal and Plastic (Apprentice Machinist 480501)	29	26	(3)	(10.34%)	1	\$13.86
Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers (Heating, Ventilating, & Air Conditioning 470201)	79	76	(3)	(3.80%)	3	\$25.47
Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (Apprentice Sheet Metal 480506)	149	146	(3)	(2.01%)	2	\$11.56
Medical Transcriptionists (Medical Transcription 510708)	82	80	(2)	(2.44%)	2	\$10.51

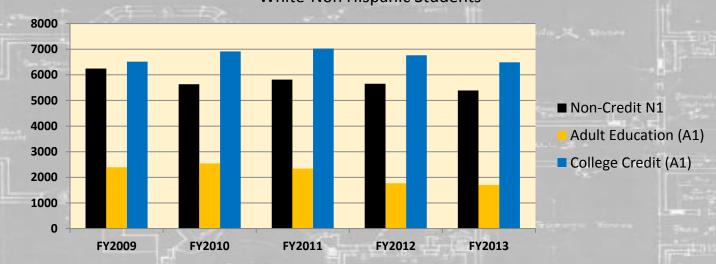
# Characteristics of BHC Students





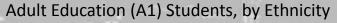


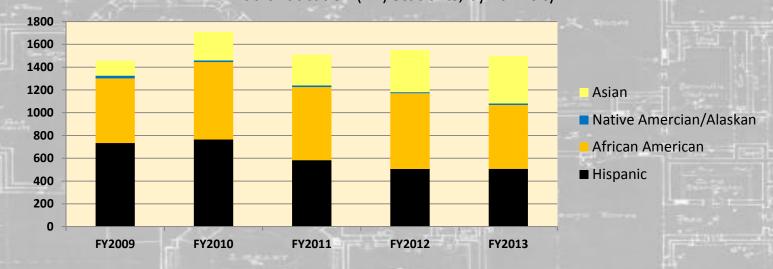




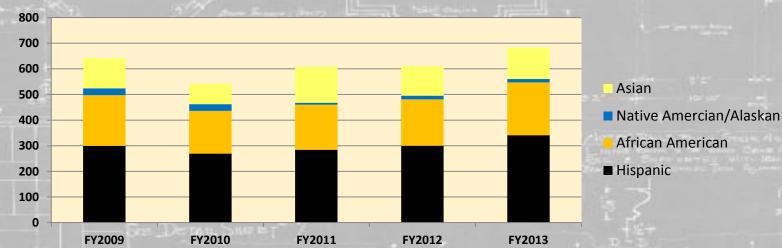
#### College Credit Students (A1) by Ethnicity

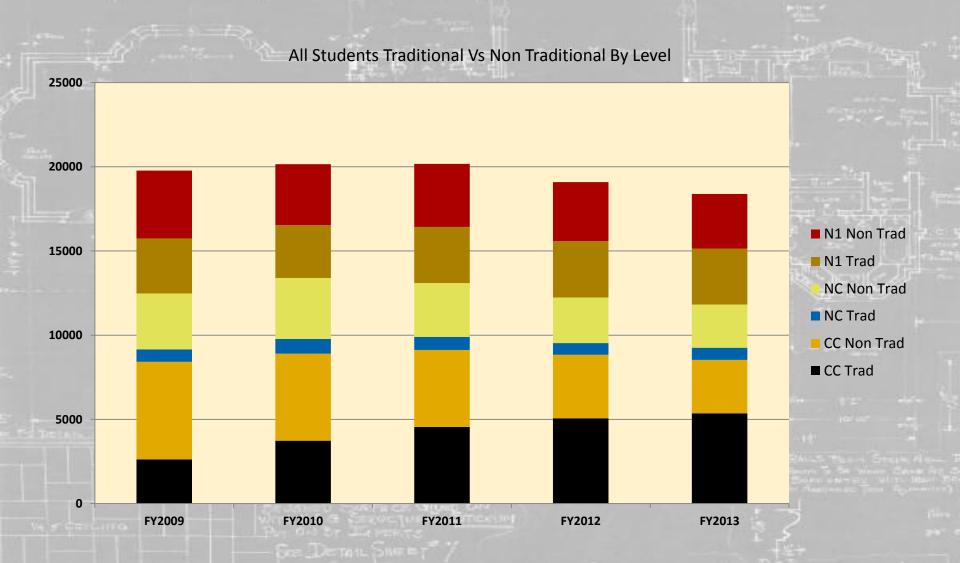


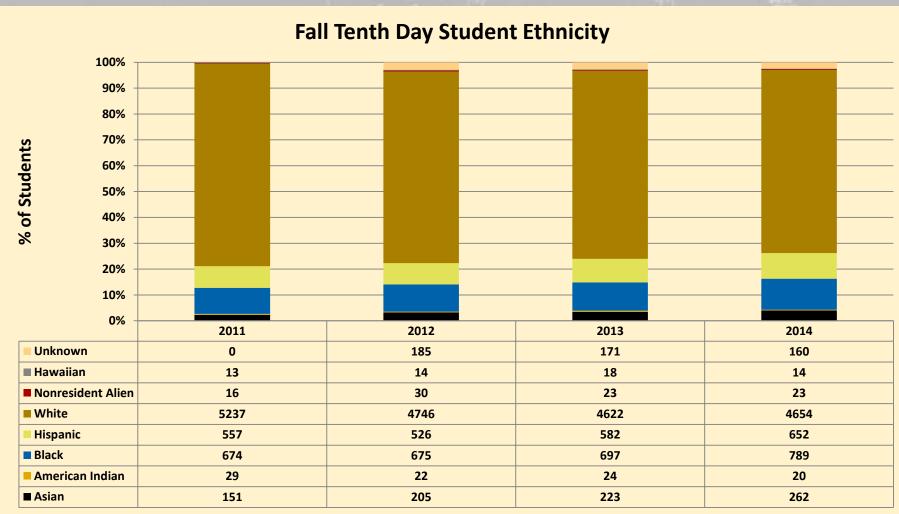




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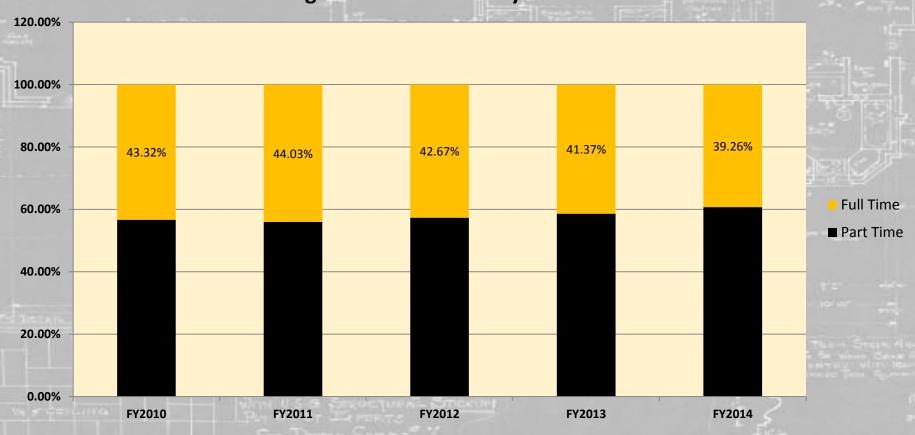


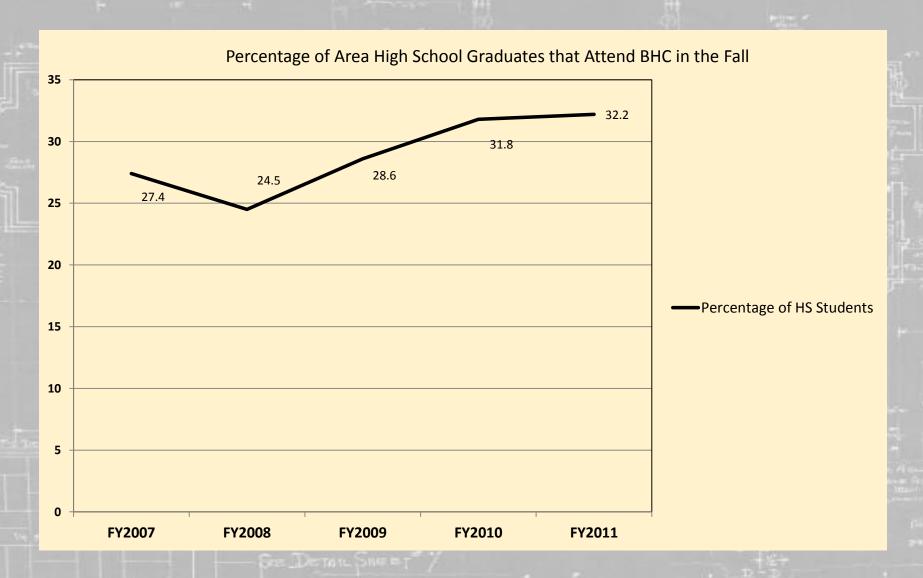


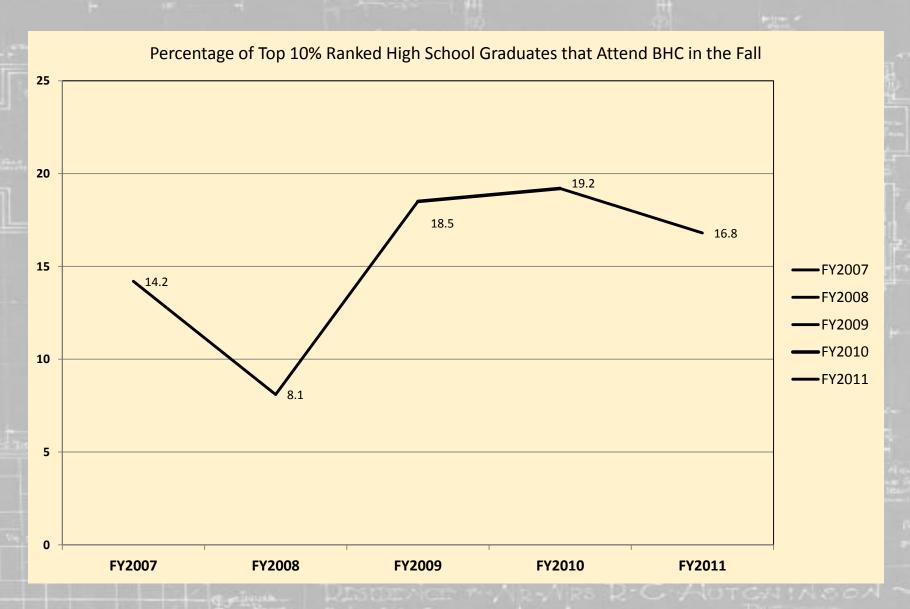
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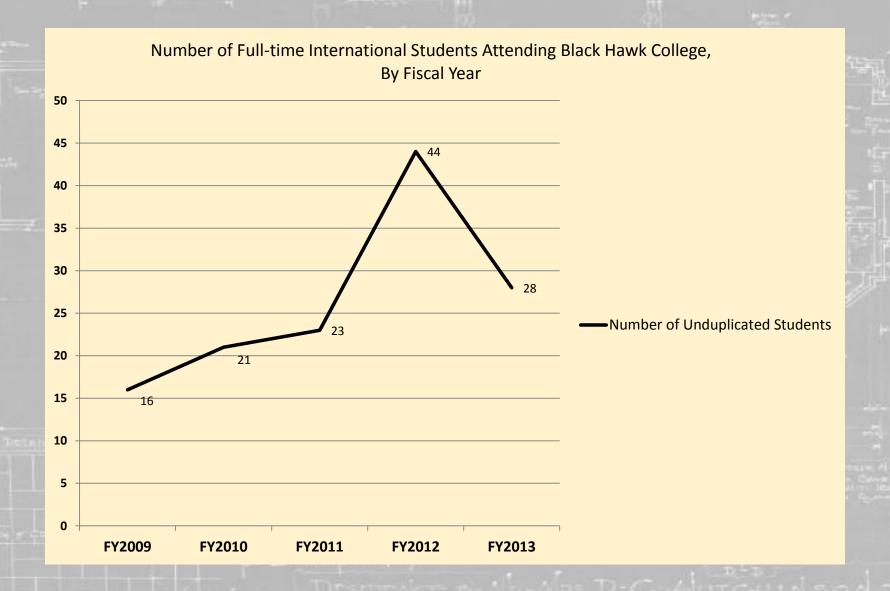
#### **Enrollment Status**

#### **Percentage of BHC students by Enrollment Status**

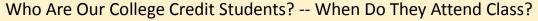


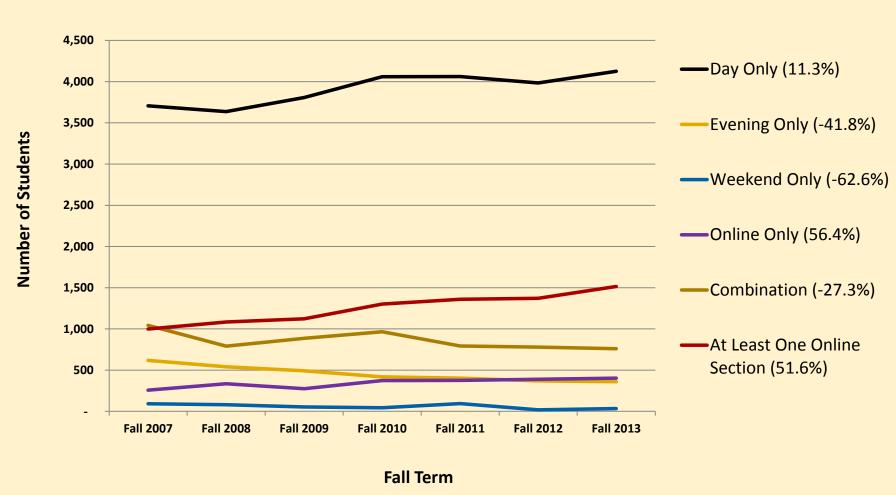




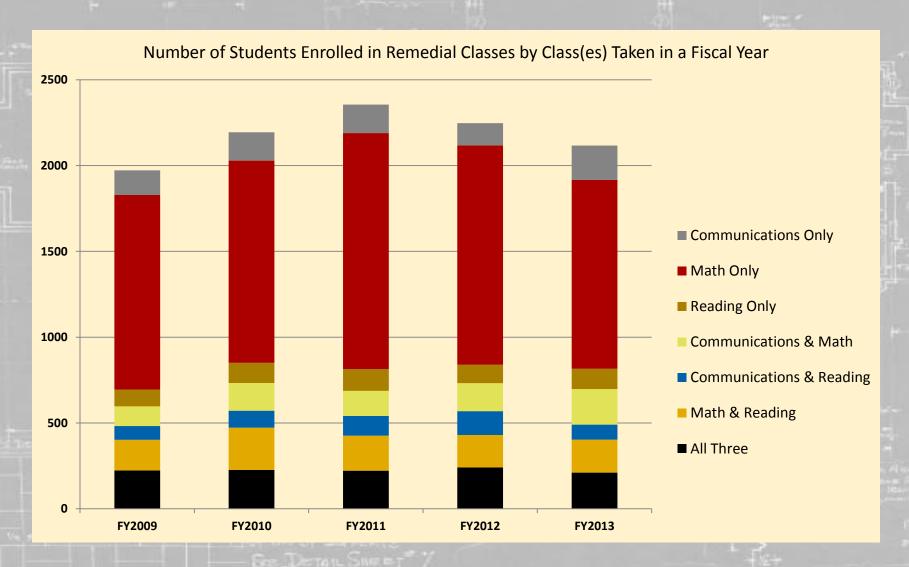


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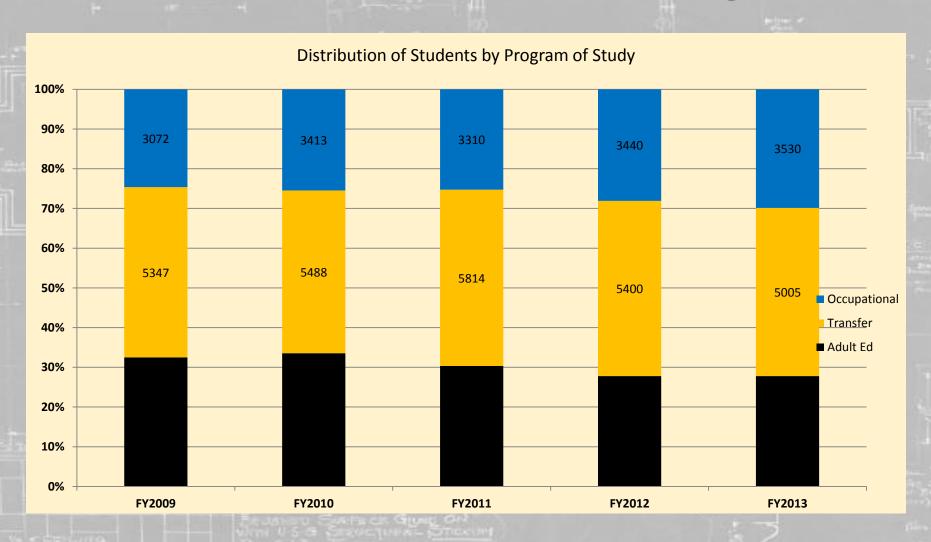


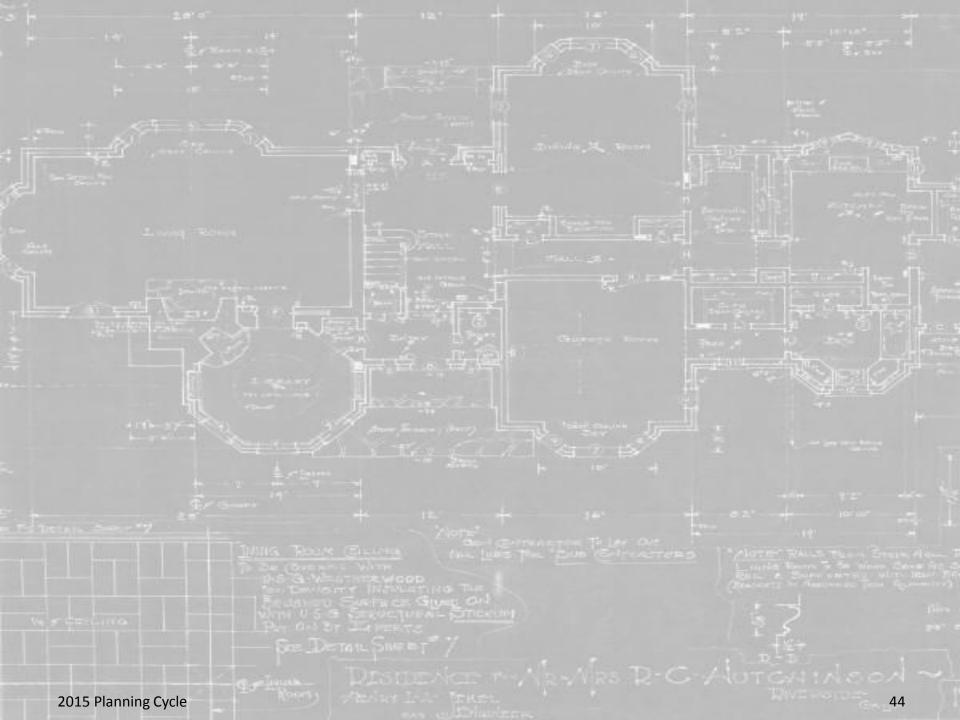


#### What Are Students Enrolling In?



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## **Student Progress**



#### Developmental Math to College Math Retention and Success

Of the 154 students that passed (A,B,C,P) the highest-level developmental Math courses:

- 120 (77.92%) enrolled in a related college-level math course
  - Of those 120 students, 104 (86.4%) received a grade (A,B,C,D,F,P)
    - Of those 104 students, 81 (77.88%) received a passing grade (A,B,C,P)

Therefore, 81 (56.6%) of the original 154 students passed both their highest developmental math course and their first college-level math course.

Developmental Writing to College Writing Retention and Success

Of the 122 students that passed (A,B,C,P) the highest-level developmental Writing courses:

- 99 (81.1%) enrolled in a related college-level math course
  - Of those 99 students, 76 (76.8%) received a grade (A,B,C,D,F,P)
    - Of those 76 students, 53 (69.7%) received a passing grade (A,B,C,P)

Therefore, 53 (43.4%) of the original 122 students passed both their highest developmental math course and their first college-level math course.

#### **Credit Developmental Course Retention**

	BHC 2014	BHC 2013	<u>Median</u>	<u>75th</u>	90 <sup>th</sup>
Math	60.23%	54.78%	84.93%	89.20%	94.24%
Writing	72.53%	55.81%	87.47%	91.07%	95.08%
Reading	60.73%	59.49%	87.93%	92.47%	95.87%

Retention = Students Receiving a Grade / (Students receiving a Grade + Students who withdrew after 10<sup>th</sup> day)

#### Credit Developmental Enrollee Success

	BHC 2014	BHC 2013	<u>Median</u>	<u>75th</u>	<u>90th</u>
Math	49.46%	49.16%	56.67%	63.85%	69.66%
Writing	66.98%	53.55%	64.37%	70.13%	75.43%
Reading	60.73%	59.49%	66.12%	72.42%	78.66%

Enrollee Success = Students Receiving a Passing Grade
/ (Students receiving a Grade + Students who withdrew after 10<sup>th</sup> day)

#### Credit Developmental Completer Success

	BHC 2014	BHC 2013	<u>Median</u>	<u>75th</u>	<u>90th</u>
Math	82.12%	89.74%	68.28%	74.38%	80.63%
Writing	92.34%	95.95%	73.74%	81.45%	87.44%
Reading	100.00%	100.00%	75.80%	82.50%	89.23%

Completer Success = Students with Passing Grade (a,b,c,p) / Students with a Grade

#### Credit Developmental Success in College Level Course

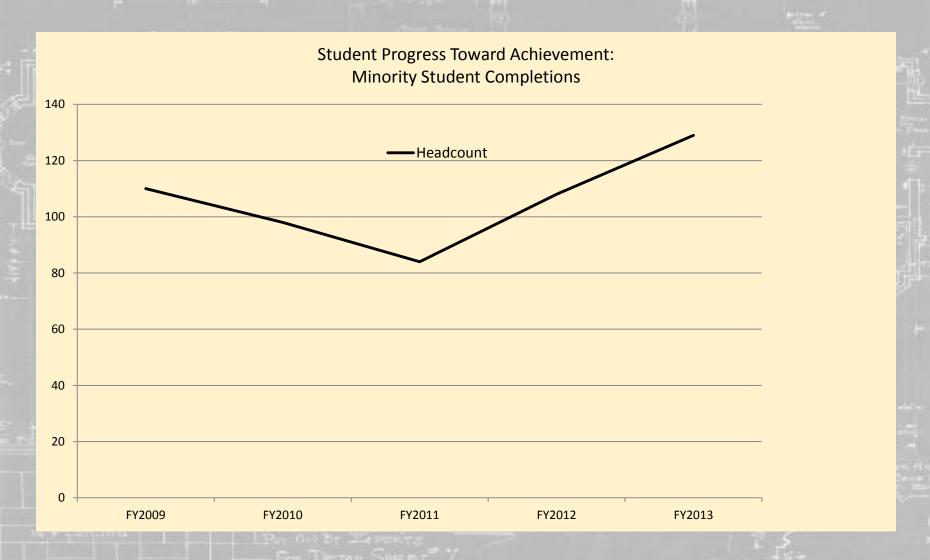
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Math	70.37%	65.65%	73.06%	79.71%
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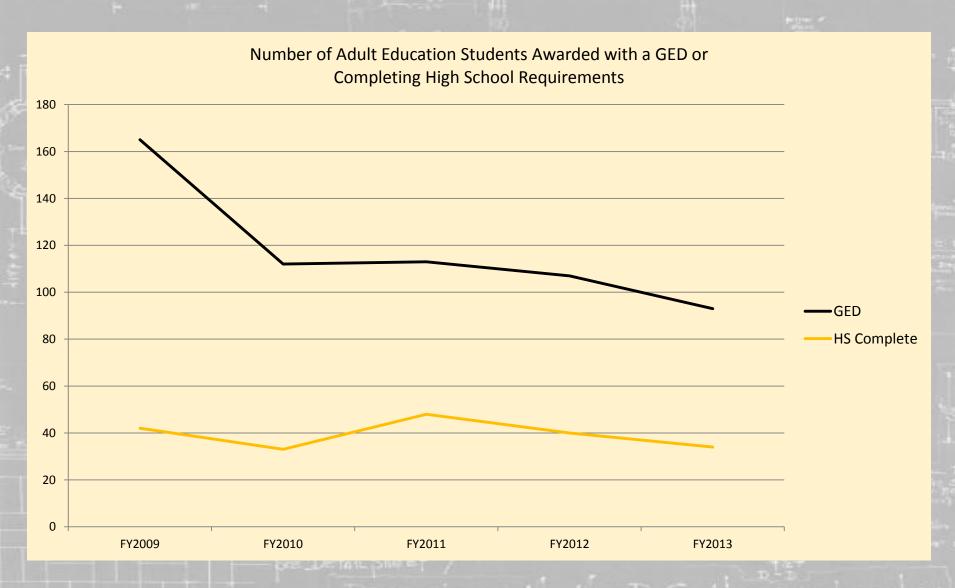
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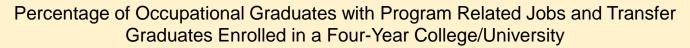
	Fall '09-SP '10	Fall '10-SP'11	Fall'11-SP'12	Fall'12-SP'13
BHC Persistence Rate	69.42%	69.34%	69.44%	70.32%
NCCBP - High Performing CC - top 10%	78.86%	77.78%	78.34%	
NCCBP - Median	71.80%	71.56%	71.70%	
NCCBP - Lowest CC - bottom 10%	61.92%	61.81%	64.16%	

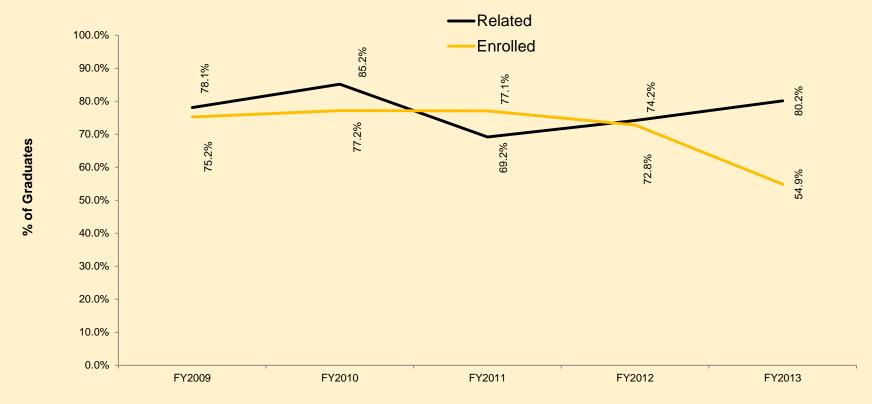
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	Fall '09-SP '10	Fall '10-SP'11	Fall'11-SP'12	Fall'12-SP'13
BHC Persistence Rate	39.52%	39.01%	43.24%	44.96%
NCCBP - High Performing CC - top 10%	55.04%	56.20%	55.79%	54.52%
NCCBP - Median	48.03%	49.73%	49.50%	48.44%
NCCBP - Lowest CC - bottom 10%	38.60%	40.57%	42.56%	40.36%





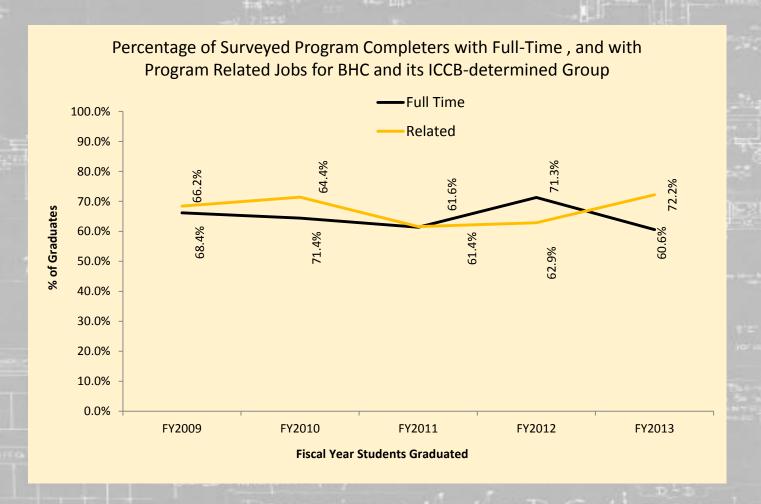




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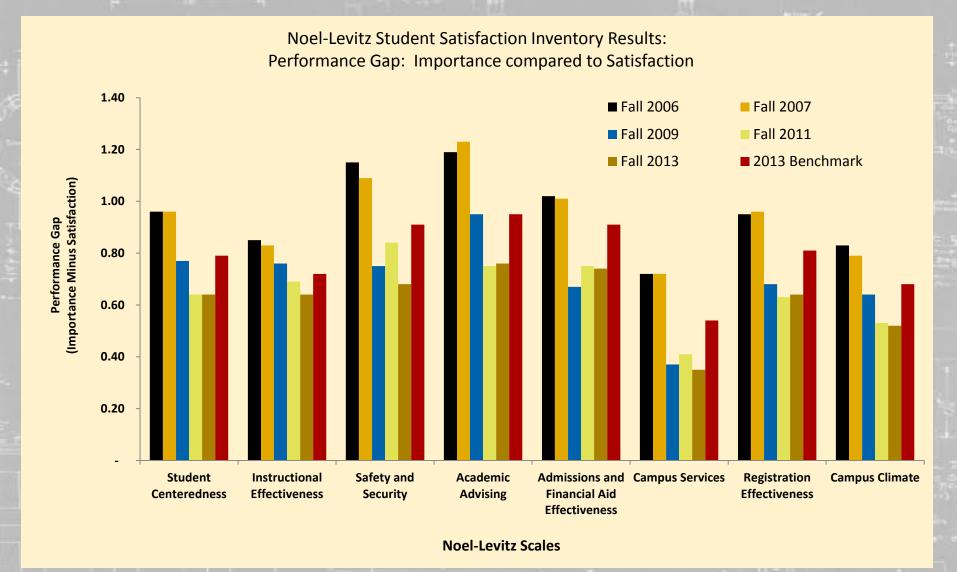
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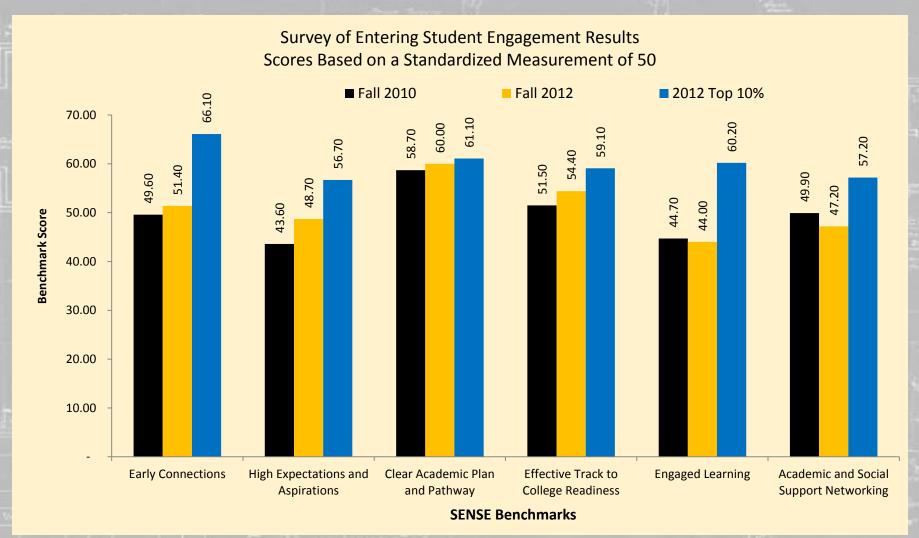
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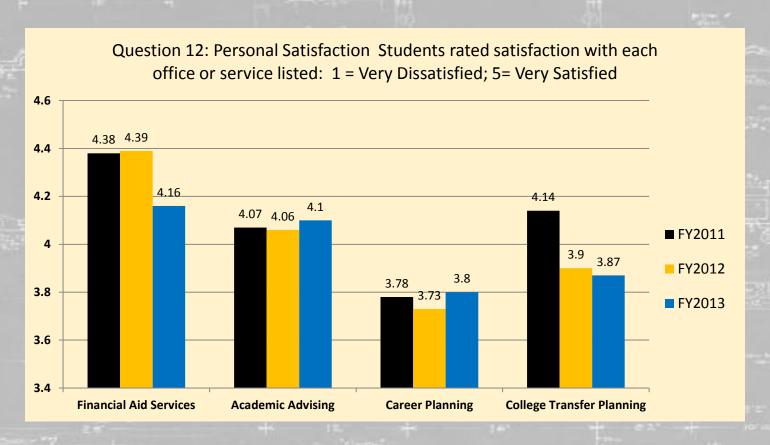
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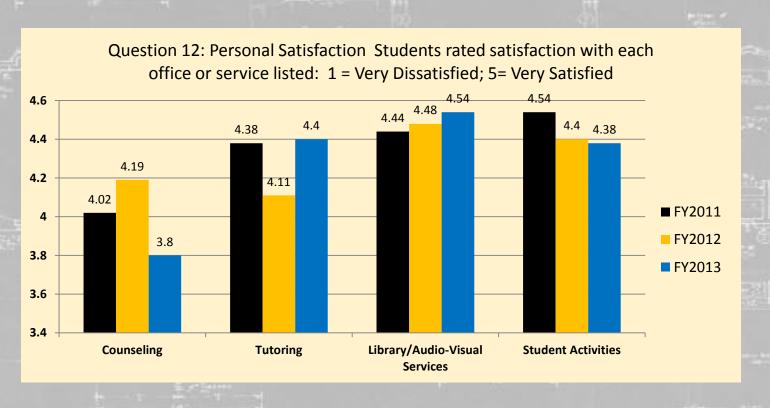


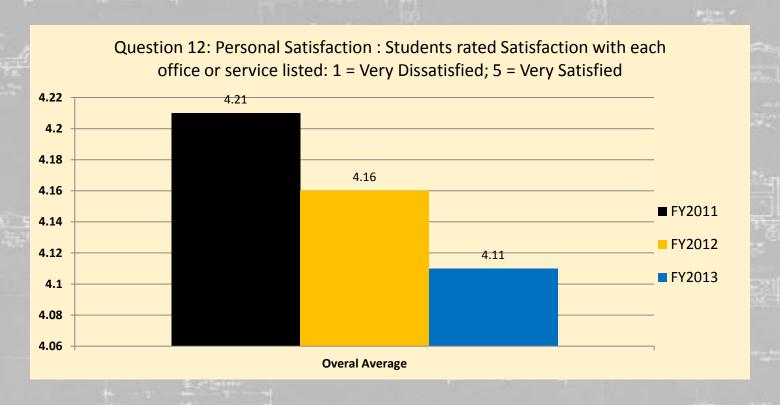
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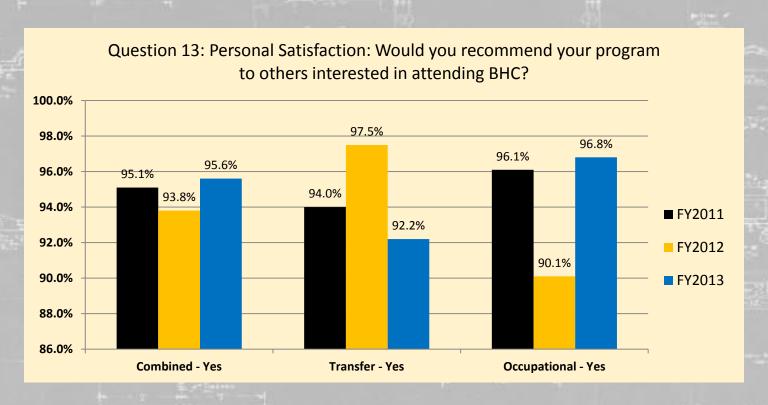


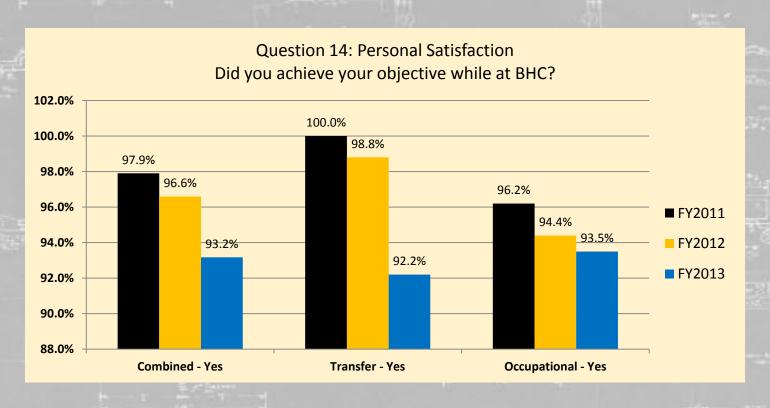
- Every Year the College is required by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) to survey identified occupational graduates.
- The College has decided to survey all students graduating from BHC, including those students in transfer programs.











## Student Engagement



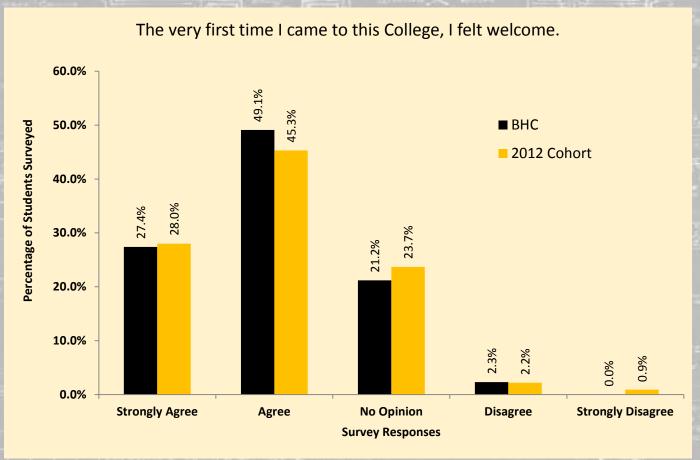
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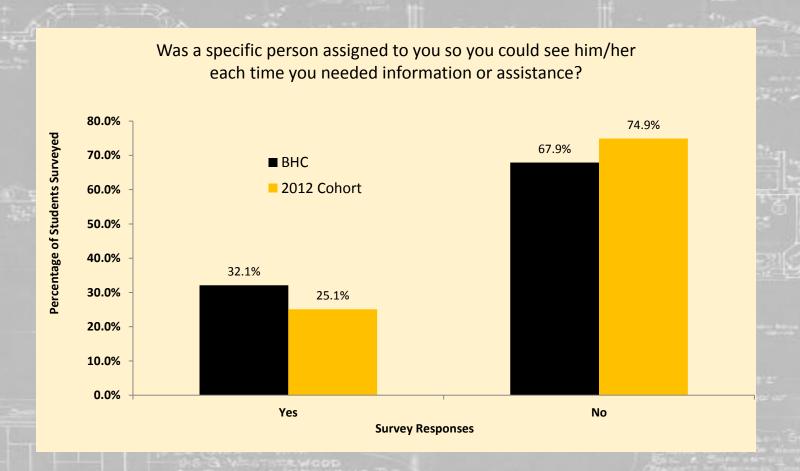
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- 2. High Expectations and Aspirations
- 3. A Clear Academic Plan and Pathway
- 4. An Effective Track to College Readiness
- 5. Engaged Learning
- 6. Academic and Social Support Network

## Principle #1: Early Connection

The SENSE survey includes several items that gauge whether students feel welcome and personally connected to instructors, staff, and other students during their first three weeks if college.

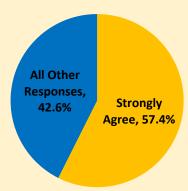


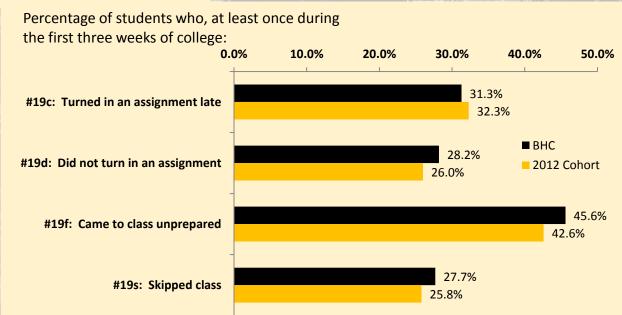
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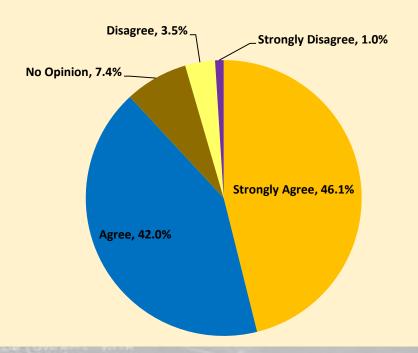
I have the motivation to do what it takes to succeed in college.





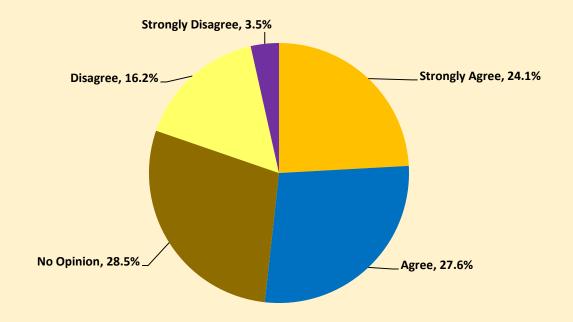
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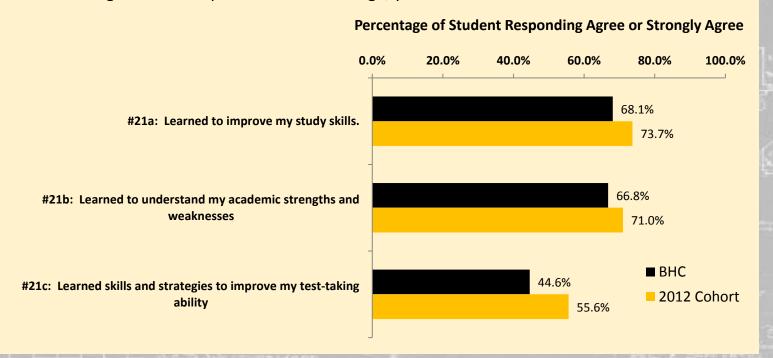
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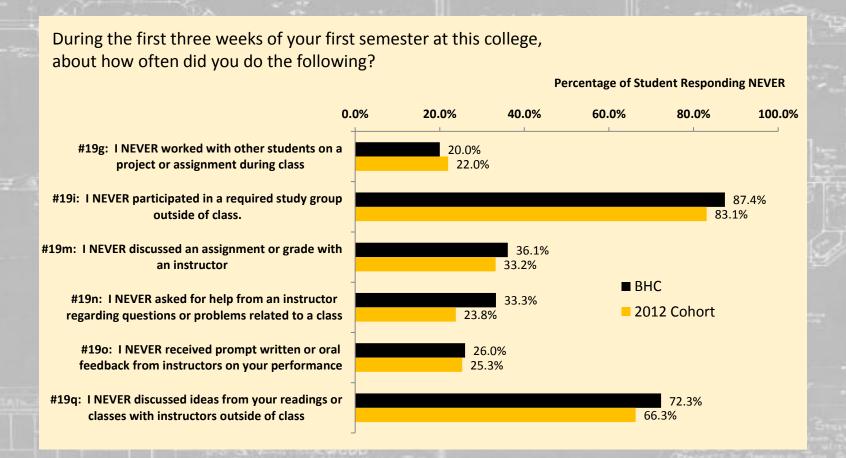


# Principle #4: An Effective Track to College Readiness

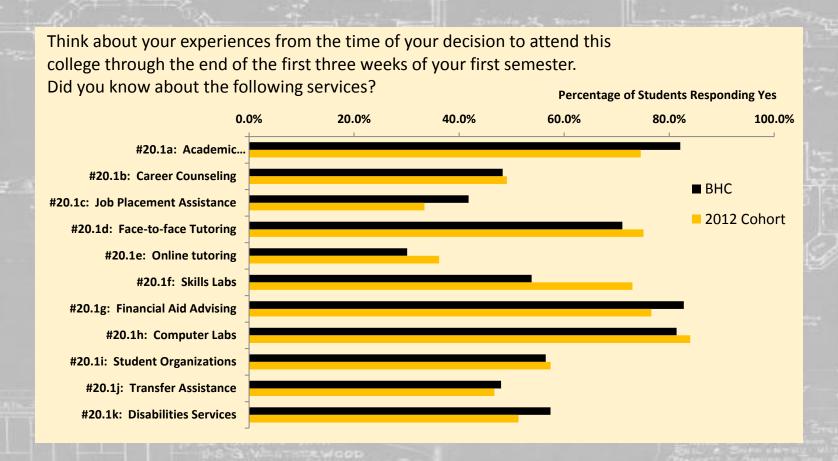
Think about your experience from the time of your decision to attend this college through the end of the first three weeks of your first semester. With a class or through another experience at this college, you:



## Principle #5: Engaged Learning



# Principle #6: Academic and Social Support Network





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### Faculty and staff identified areas of excellence as:

- The extent to which I feel my job is relevant to this institution's mission
- The extent to which students receive an excellent education at this institution
- The extent to which this institution prepares students for further learning
- The extent to which this institution prepares students for a career
- The extent to which my supervisor expresses confidence in my work
- The extent to which student ethnic and cultural diversity are important at this institution
- The extent to which student needs are central to what we do
- The extent to which my supervisor is open to the ideas, opinions, and beliefs of everyone
- The extent to which I am given the opportunity to be creative in my work
- The extent to which faculty meet the needs of the students

PACE Survey, 2013

## Faculty and staff identified areas of improvement:

- The extent to which information is shared within this institution
- The extent to which I have the opportunity for advancement within this institution
- The extent to which I am able to appropriately influence the direction of this institution
- The extent to which this institution is appropriately organized
- The extent to which open and ethical communication is practiced at this institution
- The extent to which a spirit of cooperation exists at this institution
- The extent to which institutional teams use problem-solving techniques
- The extent to which decisions are made at the appropriate level at this institution
- The extent to which this institution has been successful in positively motivating my performance
- The extent to which I receive adequate information regarding important activities at this institution

PACE Survey, 2013

#### **Black Hawk College**

#### **Focus Group Report**

#### May 14, 2014

Note: This report is based on 23 focus groups held on March 24 - April 24, 2014, involving a total of 175 people. Participants included faculty, staff, students, community leaders and partners, retirees and high school administrators and guidance counselors. Five focus groups were held at the East Campus in Kewanee, IL. All 23 focus groups were facilitated by Dr. Dan Ebener of Quad City Leadership Consulting in preparation for the strategic planning process at Black Hawk College.

*Italicized comments* are ones that were repeated by participants within that group.

#### **Quad Cities Campus Internal Stakeholders**

#### 1. What are your general impressions?

- There is a lot of controversy and uncertainty about the future
- Happy with the interaction and creativity between everyone
- Communication needs to be improved
- There is very little interdepartmental communication
- There has been a lot of turnover in administration that has led to inconsistency
- There is a lack of top leadership
- We are a community and family here
- There is a lot of experience on campus
- Morale is the worst it has been in 30 years
- Overall, morale is very good, otherwise we would have left
- There is freedom in what is done in order to meet the needs of the students
- The overall image from the community is positive
- It gets frustrating due to the many state and government regulations and requests
- There are a lot of means to communicate, but no real communication
- There is a lot of retirements and institutional knowledge that is leaving
- We are struggling to figure out what the goals are
- Friday afternoons are dead on campus
- Staffing is low in many areas and departments
- There is a big difference in cultural environment between buildings
- Can feel secluded at times

- It is great having skywalks and tunnels connecting everything
- Great student areas and places to "hang out"
- Have provided education to more people where it wouldn't otherwise be an option
- The public isn't aware of the 'what's' or the 'why's' of what is going on here
- The 3 strikes and out policy isn't being followed through
- Inconsistencies in recent firing of a faculty member

#### 2. What are the strengths of Black Hawk College?

- There are great relationships between faculty and students
- Faculty is familiar with the college and everything about it- lots of institutional knowledge
- The faculty and staff are knowledgeable and high quality
- We provide a quality education
- The equipment and software are current with the times
- The mentor program between faculty is good
- The teaching learning center and continuing education that is offered
- Student services is getting a lot better
- Black Hawk responds to the needs of the community
- The nursing, agriculture, and equine programs
- PACE
- Our VP's are strong
- Staff Development Day and other staff social opportunities
- Small class sizes and high level of interaction
- There is a lot of diversity in programs and people
- Near-campus housing provides a 4 year university feel
- There is a lot of tutoring done between faculty, staff, and students
- Student life is vibrant and there are many out-of-class opportunities
- Staff is professional and work together well
- BHC offers great benefits
- We match community needs with programs well
- We are open and supportive of new things and change
- The beauty of this campus
- There are a good number of grants received for specific projects
- We work well with ICCB
- Good resources at the Library
- ILC is working hard
- The new facilities for welding in Kewanee
- The Black Hawk ad in the newspaper
- Free resume help for the entire community

- Offering free tuition to the top 10% of HS classes
- The graduation ceremony is really cool for the students
- Dual credit helps students get ahead at the next level
- Students are successful at the next level, whether it is work or transferring to a four year University

#### 3. What are the weaknesses of Black Hawk College?

- There is some disconnect between the two campuses
- Some classes are split into two when numbers are already low
- Some adjunct faculty only teach and don't feel like they're a part of the college
- Advising and recruitment is lacking
- Advising isn't always aware of the required classes and how classes fit together within the entire program
- There is a variance in pay between and within departments
- There isn't a lot of documentation of different processes and events so things get replicated
- Nobody really knows who does what throughout the college
- Office numbers are not in the directory
- There is a divide between administration and faculty/staff
- Leadership is not visible within the college or in the community
- Too many leadership positions are seen as a stepping stone
- Enrollment is down
- Very little is done outside of your own department we have too many silos
- There is little sense of urgency when things need to be done, especially with HR
- *Hiring always seems to come from the outside*
- There is little internal development
- There is a lot of blame on who's fault something was instead of solving the problem
- There is a low retention rate of students
- Projects get started but don't finish
- People are bounced around a lot to fill positions instead of using their skills most effectively
- There is an over-reliance on adjunct faculty
- The lack of a good job description process
- There is little transparency of funds
- Some programs that are not given proper time and development but just dumped
- Faculty is not involved in a lot of the processes or decisions, or even consulted
- Space is limited because we are land locked
- The campus is not handicap friendly

- The marketing is towards 18-year olds and that is not who are stepping on campus
- The library can be improved
- There is too much focus on the negative and it has become part of the culture
- Technology on campus is behind and more can be automated
- There is a lack of manpower for a lot of projects
- There is a lack of awareness and understanding of the non-credit side
- There is no honors program
- There is a lack of computer labs
- IT can be unresponsive and put band-aids on big problems
- There is a lack of counselors
- Communication about updates and changes is ineffective, e.g. MyBlackHawk
- Some staff and faculty are not friendly and turn people away from College
- HR and many processes lack "human touch" as they are all animated
- The campus is difficult to navigate around
- The paystub can be difficult to read
- There is no wireless or service in areas of campus
- Ordering of books from the bookstore could be more consistent and not so early
- The course taught and rigor can differ greatly between campuses
- The horticulture program
- Blaming someone else instead of taking responsibility
- The content of the marketing
- The timing of different projects and construction as they interfere with classes
- The website is not very clear nor easy to navigate
- Space on campus is very limited during peak hours

#### 4. What are some suggestions for improvement?

- Be more proactive and get out to high schools and other colleges
- Have more faculty social and community engagement events
- Fix HR processes so they are consistent and well-documented
- *Get leadership and faculty more active within the community*
- Relate and market programs to industry and community
- Take a hard look at student services and how students are helped
- Involve faculty more in student services
- Have more leadership classes
- *Hold more leadership trainings*
- Include the part-time and adjunct in more of what is done at the College
- Market to the strengths of the College and success stories
- Put the office numbers in the directory

- Have a daycare for parents and have the daycare be a part of a program
- Include more class times and especially night classes
- Use the Sustainable Technology Building
- Put communication system in place to get feedback from all levels of College
- *Have more full-time staff and faculty (fewer part-time and adjuncts)*
- Offer more cross-training between departments
- Have an enrollment management process
- Have more career tracks
- Offer more athletics
- Have a detection system to assess students coming in and put them on a path
- Have more computer labs available for use
- Be sure advisors and counselors have better training
- Let everyone know mission, vision, and direction of College and how that relates to what we are doing and why things are done that way
- Have an in-depth college orientation
- Look at mentoring and training for new chairs and clear responsibilities of chairs
- Conduct an exit interview when people leave both faculty and staff
- Hire a grant writer
- Have a more in-depth training process for new faculty/staff so they know mission, vision, and goals and their role
- Offer more nursing at the East Campus
- Dedicate more money for adult education

#### 5. Is there anything being done strategically that should be stopped?

- Run a cost accounting on courses because there is a lot of variance on cost/revenue ratio and instead look at the overall College cost
- Building new buildings without first maximizing current space and buildings
- Stop offering so many new programs as it puts out the perception that they do so much so how can any of it be that good?
- Stop cancelling classes due to lack of enrollment or teacher
- Dual credit needs to be continued, but reformed
- Stop making decisions based solely on dollars
- Stop trying to do so many things and focus on fewer things but do them well

#### 6. What are the opportunities for growth?

- Vocational programs
- STEM programs
- Non-traditional occupations
- Refugees that are coming to the area

- *Growing Latino population (ESL)*
- Culinary arts program
- Night classes for working class
- Online course opportunities
- Healthcare field
- There is an aging population that has knowledge and now time
- Needs of the people being laid off, e.g. John Deere

#### 7. What are some threats to that growth?

- The State of Illinois
- Public funding
- Some students are non-English speaking
- Some students are not ready for College-level coursework when they begin
- Neighboring universities, especially Western IL
- Not having financial aid for non-credit programs
- Our location as it is in a rural area and there are no big city connections
- 4-year universities are not as reciprocal and collaborative
- There is a perception that you must have a 4-year degree to get hired
- A lot of pressure is put on students by society
- The union, as it can be a double-edged sword
- Childcare is expensive for students who are parents
- There are fewer HS students to draw from
- The image from HS students as we are seen as the "dirty bird" or "the cheap school" or a "glorified high school"
- Restrictions on recruiting in Iowa

#### 8. What are some possible strategies for BHC?

- Have partnerships with already established programs at colleges and universities
- Build relationships with local companies for jobs and partnerships Have more ESL and field specific programs
- Work with local businesses for internships and externships
- Market the value of Black Hawk high quality and low price
- Work with universities and have some auto-transfer agreement (2+2, 3+1)
- Offer shorter programs and certificates fill the void between HS degree and college degree
- Offer more global education and connect students with the world and cultures and languages
- Commit one faculty member as a community liaison

- Ask the local employers what skills they are looking for and design programs around current working skills
- Educate students about student loan debt and real cost of college
- Mandate things that are for the good of the student, e.g. orientation
- Host more community events on campus to get people here
- Have a campaign based on "Did you know?" or "Fact vs. Myth" to dispel false negative images of community colleges

#### 9. Is there anything else?

- There is no supervision of campus housing
- There is inconsistency between marketing and real product
- Reinforce that the Board of Trustees is a governing body and should not be involved in the daily activities of the College
- There is no hot water on parts of campus
- Printing services is weak in Building 2
- Name a building to raise money
- The Foundation has made great strides recently
- Look at out-of -class pay vs. volume
- Have access to the buildings after hours
- The gym and facility could be updated
- We really appreciate this opportunity for fedback

#### **Black Hawk College**

#### **Quad Cities Campus External Stakeholders**

#### 1. What are your general impressions?

- There is a warm, friendly and wonderful environment
- *The programs and education are high quality*
- They provide a lot of options for the next step
- There is real world experience from the professors
- The education is a great value
- The campus is connected and works with the community
- There is a long and rich history
- Campus can be tough to navigate and not very visitor friendly
- They are an excellent community college
- Staff is upbeat and willing to help
- They are eager to put on events for HS students

#### 2. What are the strengths of Black Hawk College?

- Free tuition for the top 10%
- The Dual Credit program
- There is a lot of diversity in programs and students
- Counselors work well with the students
- The campus with its beauty and college feel
- Accreditation
- Care and investment in the student
- Positive community image
- Students that transfer onto 4 year universities are very well prepared
- There is something for everyone in the community
- They are very visible in the community
- The sports and extracurricular activities offered
- The walking ceremony is very cool for students
- Faculty is very good
- The East Campus
- There is strong assistance from financial aid
- Students that transfer on are very well-prepared
- The bus system and things offered to help with the daily lives of students
- Student housing being an option

#### 3. What are the weaknesses of Black Hawk College?

Not enough opportunities for non-traditional and working students

- There isn't a lot of flexibility in class scheduling, e.g. nights
- The signage and building numbers don't make sense
- Vocational training isn't promoted
- There are great arts performances but the community doesn't know about them
- The Dual Credit can be selective and vary depending on the department
- It can be tough to get adjunct teachers to teach Dual Credit classes
- The process for deciding Dual Credit teachers and professors is unknown
- There is a lot of paperwork and form glitches with Dual Credit classes
- There is a feeling that BH isn't a real college and seen as "cheap"
- The Compass test is inconsistent and doesn't always translate well
- The updates on the course book and not showing how courses fit together

#### 4. What are some suggestions for improvement?

- Offer more night classes, online courses and hybrid classes
- Have shorter programs and certificate programs
- Communicate the strengths to the community
- Extend relationships with the East Campus
- Work with businesses and the community to get more internships and externships
- Offer more vocational programs
- Have more signage and ways to know where to go for different services
- Work with the ECHO program
- Offer more training for Dual Credit teachers
- Work with smaller schools to get more Dual Credit
- Sit down with students and explain how every class plays a role in the bigger picture and program for the career path they are on
- Have more admissions reps work in the HS's more
- Bring professors into the HS to promote Black Hawk and how HS translates to college and how BHC helps

#### 5. Is there anything being done currently that should be stopped?

None

#### 6. What are the opportunities for growth?

- Look at the baby boomers that are retiring and meet their learning needs
- The aging population and growing need for healthcare PA and CNA
- There is a growing need for toolmakers and tool design
- Thompson prison is coming and jobs are needed there
- Rising 4 year costs make BHC more attractive
- A rising need for dental hygienists

- Radiography is a growing field
- Web, graphic, and computer design

#### 7. What are the threats to growth?

- The State of Illinois and their cuts in funding
- The rising cost of college and lack of personal money
- The economy
- Other universities and competition
- Student loans are growing
- Careers change year to year
- There is a negative image from some HS students
- Lack of funding from property taxes
- Positions that have higher education expectations (Associate's is not sufficient)
- The distance from campus to outlying high schools
- There is no other option for students that don't get a 6 on the Compass test

#### 8. What are some strategies?

- Work with businesses to develop programs based on their needs
- Reach out to the HS's and have current and former students tell of successes
- Have 6, 12, 18, and 24 month options for different certificates and programs
- Offer more Ag classes at the QC campus
- Provide child-care for non-traditional students
- Offer an "exploratory option" that allows student to see what they want to do
- Work with 2 and 4- year colleges and universities to create seamless transitions and niches that allow them to work together
- Provide even more housing opportunities with close-by apartments
- Show the successes to the students you are wanting to recruit
- Offer different career paths for HS students and show how BHC can play a part
- Work with the Area Career Center
- Create a niche that no other college or university can offer
- Create a partnership with Sedona group to meet community and job needs
- Welcome students better once they walk on campus and have different paths for them to take and guide them on that path
- Don't outgrow yourself and lose who you are and what you do well
- Have more reciprocating programs with universities and colleges in the area

#### 9. Is there anything else?

- Promote the small class size and personalization BHC offers
- Coaches are good at recruiting students and athletics help the school

- Improve campus life and create more of a 4 year college experience
- Develop cohorts to help students develop a "family"
- This was a good opportunity to provide input

#### **Black Hawk College**

#### **East Campus Internal Stakeholders**

#### 1. What are your general impressions?

- Proud to work at BHC
- The new building for welding is great
- It is a family atmosphere
- Small class sizes and teachers care about the students
- It is still too much like a HS
- There are things to do and get plugged in, but you have to search and know
- We help students to adapt well no matter where they are coming from

#### 2. What are the strengths of Black Hawk College?

- Student- focused institution
- Industry specific teams are in place
- The faculty and staff are great
- The students get a personal experience
- Students come from all over the world and provides diversity
- Many people are consulted when decisions are made
- There is a solid image from the community
- There is a lot of support from Administration for extracurricular activities
- Teachers communicate with each other well
- There is longevity with the faculty and staff
- The Ag Department
- High quality education
- A solid, liberal arts approach is taken
- Advising works well with the students
- The alumni and community are very supportive

#### 3. What are the weaknesses of Black Hawk College?

- Facilities built as temporary buildings have become permanent
- *The HR process is cumbersome and unfriendly*
- Need bigger and more computer labs
- Lack of flexibility on when and where classes are taught
- Lack of consistency in HR policies
- Committee work seems to be pointless
- There is a lack of bandwidth to use technology
- Dual enrollment needs a plan and goal
- A lack of support from administration

- High turnover and inconsistency at the administrative level (Moline campus)
- Lack of knowledge of who does what at the different campuses
- Lack of visibility from the QC campus
- Little follow-up and guidance of students once they enroll
- Lack of resume, interview, and career skills on campus
- The buildings can be cold in the winter
- Division between transfer students and the rest of the college
- Lack of skilled trade and vocation programs
- Have to travel for classes and practices
- Lunch hours are limited
- Student housing is convenient but sub-par
- Location is secluded

#### 4. What are some suggestions for improvement?

- Work with unions and businesses to get skilled trade programs
- Offer a stronger orientation program
- Develop a "graduation" class that gives them career and life skills
- Build a gym or rec center and have 24-hour access
- Improve the processes that go back and forth between East and QC campus
- Provide more transportation to and from town
- Have a hang-out spot on campus
- Develop a meal plan

#### 5. Is there anything being done currently that should be stopped?

- Stop looking behind and start looking ahead and develop programs based on the future and not the past
- Stop building buildings based on age and start building them based on programs

#### 6. What are the opportunities for growth?

- Rising number of single mothers
- Many small schools looking for dual enrollment
- 75% of economy is service based
- Vet tech program
- The land that surrounds the campus can be used for a variety of things

#### 7. What are the threats to growth?

- Lack of funding from State
- Some students don't have the internet at home
- Need for so much developmental education

- There is a wide range of skills and education level once they enter college
- Kewanee is a shrinking town and losing employers
- Lack of places locally to get real world experience
- Negative image of BHC from some in the community
- Stereotype of students who go to BHC
- Tough to keep up on technology as it always changes

#### 8. What are some strategies?

- Market everything that is here and the College as a whole
- Look at needs of businesses in area and develop programs based on their needs
- Invest in good people and employees, especially in HR
- Teach how to drive tractors and skills for advanced technology
- Develop more business courses that are useful for all students and programs
- Develop entrepreneurial skills
- Focus on exit strategies for students
- Develop something big to attract students to campus

#### 9. Is there anything else?

- Non-traditional students don't see college as an easy and welcoming door
- Have each class have a study skill associated with it so you learn more skills in class than just the curriculum
- Appreciate this opportunity to be involved

#### **Black Hawk College**

#### **East Campus External Stakeholders**

#### 1. What are your general impressions?

- BHC is a great asset to the community
- Allow the Foundation to play a bigger role
- There is a good vision with expansion
- Dual Credit is a great strength
- Administration is great to work with
- They work for the students and focus on them
- There needs to be more transparency and flow of information
- BHC has a family feel

#### 2. What are the strengths of Black Hawk College?

- BHC is successful on the transfer side
- BHC offers education to meet the needs of the community
- Internationally recognized
- BHC invests in themselves
- Vet tech and welding programs and facilities
- The new sign has added professionalism and increased exposure
- The satellite program in Kewanee
- Buildings help the community for meetings and people want to use it
- Dual enrollment makes college affordable
- Giving scholarships to the top 10%
- On-campus housing
- Tutoring is provided
- Great network of alumni
- CEC is well-located
- The graduation ceremony is special
- BHC offers a good amount of higher level courses like Calculus
- They hold a lot of different events with speakers and activities
- BHC contributes economically to the community

#### 3. What are the weaknesses of Black Hawk College?

- Transportation can be improved
- Location is secluded
- Athletic opportunities are going away and lack facilities
- Lack of housing options
- Nothing on campus and you have to go to town for everything

- Rely on part-time coaches for athletics
- Students can be in the wrong program and don't have path once they graduate
- Poor reception for cell phones
- Negative image as being cheap or inferior
- It is a struggle to find qualified professors in rural area like this

#### 4. What are some suggestions for improvement?

- Recruit more local athletes
- Develop more athletic programs
- Build a gym or events center
- Work with local apartments for housing options
- Invite students to campus to come and see and experience the life of a student
- Create a mentor program to make sure students are guided in right direction
- Move the wind turbine program to East Campus

#### 5. Is there anything being done currently that should be stopped?

• Stop using old and outdated language in the catalog and marketing programs

#### 6. What are the opportunities for growth?

- 25% of adult population don't have a HS diploma
- 11-12% of population is Hispanic so need to offer ESL
- Welding, machinist and motorcycle repair, retail work, HVAC, CNC operator, robotic welding, healthcare construction technology, ag equipment repair, truck drivers, technical systems management are all growing fields
- Ag teachers at the HS level are needed
- Rising college costs makes BHC more attractive
- Indiana doesn't have a community college system (so recruit there)

#### 7. What are the threats to growth?

- Lack of funding from Illinois
- Route 78 is dangerous to drive on when it snows
- Some student loans and grants go to students and can be mis-used
- The city and surrounding area isn't a big attractor
- SURS is uncertain and it hurts benefits and recruiting
- There aren't a lot of local places to get real world experience
- Other local universities and competition online

#### 8. What are some strategies?

• Talk to the businesses and communities to see their needs

- Put students on paths towards jobs and careers
- Promote certificate programs and options besides 2-year degree
- Don't lose your identity and invest in your core
- Integrate BHC and Kewanee
- Partner with corporations and colleges
- There is money available, just get creative and look for different avenues
- Tell the success stories that are here

#### 9. Is there anything else?

• Thanks for this opportunity to provide input

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