Giving York City High School Students a Head Start in Math

For Dr. Newt Miller, making his summer plans a reality meant leading high school students toward a college education. In June/July, Dr. Miller, a HACC mathematics instructor conducted a Summer Math Institute for under-prepared high school sophomores, juniors, seniors in preparation for their entrance to college-level mathematics courses. The students, from York City School District and New Hope Academy Charter School, attended the Summer Math Institute program at HACC’s York Campus.

The concept of a Summer Math Institute is in concert with the College’s mission of being in partnership with students, educators, businesses and our diverse communities. The project was funded by a grant received by the College from The York County Community Foundation Women’s Giving Circle.

“The goal of this program is to give students a head start at college so they will have an easier transition into college and consider majoring in STEM-related fields of study. This program enables HACC to join the ranks of schools and colleges across the nation in its push to increase the number of students in STEM fields,” said Michele Bodani, Secondary Partnerships Coordinator at the York Campus. In the March 19, 2012 edition of U.S. News and World Report, the importance of STEM to the nation was reiterated. With support from government, business and education, the collective goal has been to “bring STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics) to the forefront as a necessary focus for a successful and competitive workforce and economic development … to encourage growth in STEM programmatic initiatives.” The Summer Math Institute program is one clear demonstration of this commitment and confidence in what under-prepared students can achieve.

In the program, students were pre and post tested to determine individual math proficiencies. Dr. Miller reports: “Learning outcomes indicate that 10 of 15 (66.67%) of the students operating in the proficient category at the conclusion of the program when 13 of 15 (86.67%) of the students began the program in the needs improvement category. Overall, this is a 53.34% decrease in the needs improvement category and because some students began the course already proficient, a 46.67% increase in the proficiency category was achieved.”
Construction...
Our campus is growing!!!
By: Connie Mummert

In order to meet the additional demands of programming we are in the process of adding new automotive and non-credit nursing labs in our Goodling building. We are also doing renovation work on the old Istec space, which makes for a very busy summer. Thank you for your patience as we create messes and noise. We look forward the completion of these projects and seeing them filled with students as the York campus continues to grow and meet the communities needs.

SUNSHINE CLUB ANNUAL PICNIC

The winners of the Sunshine Club annual picnic game receive their ribbons and "million dollar prize" following a game of HACC York Family Fued

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Classroom Visits and Research Appointments

Will your students be performing research for any of their class assignments this semester? Please don't hesitate to ask the Library for help!

Consider requesting a librarian for a classroom visit to provide a lesson tailored to your students' specific research needs. For more information about scheduling a library instruction session, please visit your Faculty Library Services LibGuide (http://libguides.hacc.edu/yorkfaculty) or contact Lisa Hartman at ext. 3556 or lahartma@hacc.edu. Don't forget to request these early to help ensure a session on the date of your choice!

if you are unable to schedule a librarian visit, or any time that you see a student struggling with their research, please encourage them to make a research appointment with a librarian. These appointments ensure one-on-one interaction that is focused on each students specific abilities and research needs. Additional information about these appointments is also available on your Faculty Library Services LibGuide.

SUMMER FUN!
Submitted by Kathy Bedoni

Linguini Salad (any pasta will do)

Cook pasta and rinse in cold water add:
1 bottle McCormick Salad Supreme Seasoning
1 bottle Kraft Zesty Italian Dressing
Chop and add cucumber, green pepper and tomato.
Chop and add pepperoni and/or salami
Chill 4 hours or overnight.
Mix well and enjoy!
Advising in August
by Katherine Chronister, Academic Advisor

If you’ve recently walked by the Counseling & Advising Office, you’ve probably noticed that things have picked up again and our days have begun to be spent advising new students about their course and program requirements. From August 1 until the start of fall classes, appointment times for current students are limited, and counselors and advisors will no longer run office hours until after the semester begins. To enable current students to still be able to meet with a counselor or advisor, we will run Q2 sessions. These are sessions where an advisor will be available and students can drop in to ask “quick questions” usually taking no more than fifteen minutes to answer. We also will be running Registration Sessions for new students where students can view a presentation with introductory information about HACC and their academic program and meet with an advisor to get registered for their fall classes without having a prior appointment. Following the start of the semester, we’ll be back to business as usual with most advisors/counselors then once again offering both appointments and

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Leadership York Scholarship Awarded

During the Spring Semester, HACC-York Campus partnered with the Leadership York program to find a deserving York Campus student of Latino heritage to award a full scholarship to attend the 2013 Leadership York Training Program. A good number of York Campus students were interested. In the end, the scholarship was awarded to sophomore Sonia Lucre, a social sciences major. Sonia will begin the esteemed program in September.

The Leadership York Training Program is a nine-month, experiential course that educates participants about York County history and community issues. Participants discover their work style and learn to work effectively with others by fine-tuning their leadership skills, enhancing knowledge and receiving guidance in choosing and applying for a board, elected or appointed position.

Leadership York’s mission is to train and support individuals who have the desire to serve the York community in leadership positions. This year’s class of 40 individuals represented a wide variety of businesses, nonprofit organizations, and institutions from York County. The organization boasts over 2,700 graduates from its six programs. This is the first time that Leadership York has reached out to the HACC-York Campus to find a student for their Leadership Program. After this year’s success, Executive Director Carolyn Warman says she hopes to offer the scholarship again next year to another HACC student.