



Student Affairs' Dreams for Student Email – A Response to Dr. Martel's RSVP Column

Student Affairs staff continually receive emails from students, and prospective students around the world, requesting information. Most important to note, though, is that very few of these from current students are from BCC student email accounts.

Our college email is a very valuable communication tool for all of us at BCC if faculty, staff and students are committed to use it. Student Affairs would love to be able to remind students of registration dates, co-curricular events, student success workshops and important deadlines, as well as college resources. The challenge is developing a “carrot” that entices or requires students to regularly use their BCC email accounts. I challenge us all to make this the official method of communication with our students.

And, as educators, no matter whether we are faculty or staff, I feel it is also our duty to use this tool to help students improve their skills.

As a result of Dr. Martel's article on student email, I am committed to being more proactive in pointing out student email writing errors!

Dr. Debbie Sloan

I have been pondering your remarks on e-mail. My thought is that one of the principal problems is lack of character. The movie *Emperor's Club* sums it up nicely: teachers mold character, and character is destiny.

Dr. Scott Feaster

I tell my students they need to check their BCC email. Sometimes I send them info on the notes that might have needed clarification or correction, as well as additions or deletions from a HW I assigned. I e-mailed my 1105 classes before the first week of school to encourage them and let them know that the course homework and instruction was on the CD. Other than that, I would be teaching as usual.

Jodie Fry

R.S.V.P.

with Dr. Hank Martel

The curse of being an English teacher is that I see errors in almost everything that anyone writes. Why should student email be any different? Even my well-educated colleagues (outside of English, of course)

send me emails with agreement or punctuation errors. Most of the time, they know better. But everyone is busy and in a hurry, so people dash off emails and seldom spell-check or even proofread them. If we don't hold ourselves to the same standards, how can we really criticize our students when their missives are less than perfect? I'm not advocating ignoring their mistakes, but clarity begins at home. We need to set the examples: in our emails, our syllabi, our websites, and all of the other materials we generate and disseminate to our students and the world.

Dr. Patrick M. Ellingham

The BCC Flight Team Soars!

The BCC Flight Team competed in the Region IX SAFECON event October 28-31, and returned home from Daytona with several prestigious awards. This event was sponsored by the National Intercollegiate Flying Association (NIFA), and includes the following schools in this region: Embry Riddle, F.I.T., Jacksonville University, Lynn University, and Miami Dade. BCC is one of the very few community colleges to participate throughout the nation. The event spans four days and includes both ground and flight events.

Team Members:

Thiago Anjos
Samuel Bailey
Juan Pablo Chaux
Peter Dowdy
Brendan Goldfarb
Omar Ismail
Justin Kremer
Andrea Ramos
Natividad Rodriguez

I am especially proud of the professional attitude this team demonstrated at their very first competition. The following awards were handed out at the event's banquet, and represent the southeastern region of the United States.

THE TOP PILOT AWARD

Thiago Anjos!!!

Short Field Precision Landing Event

FIRST PLACE, Thiago Anjos
Top Ten, Juan Pablo Chaux

Power Off Precision Landing Event

Fifth Place, Thiago Anjos

Navigation Event

Third Place, Peter Dowdy

Message Drop

Top Ten, Andres Ramos
Top Ten, Brendan Goldfarb

Simulator Event

Top Ten, Omar Ismail

Aircraft Preflight Inspection Event

Top Ten, Brendan Goldfarb
Top Ten, Samuel Bailey

Computer Accuracy Event (E6B)

Top Ten, Justin Kremer

Simulated Comprehensive Aircraft Navigation

FIRST PLACE, Justin Kremer

School Ranking

1st	Embry Riddle
2nd	Jacksonville University
3rd	F.I.T.
4th	B.C.C.
5th	Miami Dade
6th	Lynn University

The NIFA Rules state that if a school wins Top Pilot, then that school will be represented at the National Competition. I am very happy to announce that BCC will be represented at SAFECON Nationals!

I would like to thank the Flight Team members, Broward Community College, and especially Delta Connection Academy for all of their support.

Fraternally,
Eric Boylan
AHP Advisor



The BCC Flight Team with Awards

Coming Soon

Work is progressing on the theater. Sean Devaney assures us it will be ready January 5th, 2005. here are some brief glimpses of the work in progress.



The Play's The Thing

On Wednesday, November 10th, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. Professor Melineze Hite's Theater Appreciation students at Broward Community College at the South Campus put on a performance of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* at the County Library in the Mass Media Room.

The story is about Olivia and Sebastian, fraternal twins, who were separated in a storm at sea. Viola disguises herself as a page, in order to make a living, for she assumes that her dear brother, Sebastian, has died. Orsino, her employer, is in love with the rich countess, Lady Olivia. Olivia unfortunately has eyes only for the page, played by Viola. Fortunately for the audience, Sebastian returns to save the day and set everything straight. Olivia marries Sebastian. Viola declares her love for Orsino, and they too wed. What a happy ending!!!!!!!!!!!!What a night!!!!!!!!!!

Mrs. Hite's theater class at BCC Weston on Monday nights at 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. is studying the plays of William Shakespeare. Students have to read Shakespeare with understanding and present it in front of an audience.

The students performed the comedy, *As You Like It* by Shakespeare in front of another BCC class, Mr. Lyon's 1101 class.

Pamela Williams was the director and the playwright of this adaptation. She brought properties and costumes. She did a spectacular job in rehearsing and guiding the actors.

The play is about two cousins, Rosalind and Celia, who love each other very much like sisters. However, their fathers have unsettled issues dating back years ago. Celia's father stole the dukedom away from Rosalind's father. The girls will find true happiness though at the end upon falling in love and later marrying two brothers who also had ill feelings between them. All of the brothers will endeavor to resolve problems from the past and reunite in love. The ending is as you like it, of course.

We had an excellent night.

Butterfly Garden

Students are working on a new butterfly garden at the south east end of Bldg. 68 - this is part of a class project and Steve Johnson, Grounds Supervisor, has been giving students guidance in the design, plant species and planting process. The students involved are Stacey-Ann Shepard, Robert Paul and Aislinn Jayne Lujan. They are in Professor Neil Mulchan's class.



As can be seen, the students have put a lot of effort into this. What type of fertilizer does one use to grow butterflies?

Another Doctor in the House

Kate Legrand has earned a PHD in Computing Technology in Education from Nova Southeastern University. Congratulations on finally enjoying the fruit of your long labors.



Kate is congratulated by Suzanne Lambert, Virginia Stewart, Shirley Thompson, and Deborah Hopkins

Southern Breezes will be published monthly on South Campus. Information, announcements, photographs, and anything else of interest are welcome. Send your work to Dr. Patrick Ellingham, pellingh@broward.edu.