Broward College Celebrates 60 Years

Two thousand twenty marks 60 years since Broward College officially opened its doors to students. In recognition of the anniversary, the College unveiled a new logo that is now included in all employee email signatures and will appear on digital signage across its locations. Broward College began offering classes in 1960 on land that once served as an airbase for the Navy and has since grown to 11 locations across Broward County, and 13 partnership and affiliate centers around the globe.

Campus and Academic Leadership Appointments Announced

The candidates selected for the positions of vice provosts and campus presidents have been announced. The appointments which took effect on January 21 are as follows:

- Dr. Jeffrey Nasse, vice provost, Academic Affairs;
- Dr. Sunem Beaton-Garcia, president of North Campus and vice provost, Academic Services; and
- Dr. Stephen Dunnivant, president of the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus and vice provost, Teaching Excellence and Learning.

Additionally, academic dean responsibilities have shifted as follows:

- Dr. Paul Moore will serve as dean, Business and Management Pathway and academic dean, North Campus;
- Dr. Theo Koupelis will serve as dean, STEM/Math Pathway and academic dean for the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus; and
- Dr. Jamonica Rolle will serve as dean for Arts Humanities Communication Design/Communication Pathway and academic dean, Judson A. Samuels South Campus.

BC Cares Volunteers Support First Teen Empowerment Summit

More than 600 students from middle and high schools converged on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus on Saturday, December 14, 2019, for the first Teen Empowerment Summit at Broward College.

The event was supported by scores of BC Cares volunteers, which included employees and their families. The volunteers assisted with leading groups, campus tours, and other hospitality needs. Most of the students were from Broward UP zip codes and had the opportunity to get information on the College's eight pathways and financial aid. They also participated in activities facilitated by several departments, including a crime scene investigation, dance, and robotics.
Broward College Joined by Thousands of Volunteers to Serve the Community for MLK Day of Service

President Haile was among thousands of volunteers across the county who joined the Broward College MLK Day of Service on Monday, January 20, to honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Now in its fifth year, the Broward College MLK Day of Service awarded $120,000 to 29 community organizations to fund initiatives ranging from beautification to education projects. Celebrated as a “day on and not off,” residents are encouraged to volunteer with one of these projects.

Among the projects supported this year by President Haile and other College employees were the school-wide clean-up and beautification at Dillard High School, neighborhood clean-up and care package assembly at the YMCA L.A. Lee Family Center in Fort Lauderdale, a care package assembly project at the City of Lauderdale Lakes, and services and resources to homeless and veterans at Mount Nebo Baptist Church.

2020 Broward College Speaker Series Lineup Announced

Holding to its mission to educate, enlighten and entertain South Florida, the seventh annual Broward College Speaker Series presented by Virgin Trains has once again secured an outstanding lineup of speakers. The series starts with Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales, March 12; continues with international soccer star Abby Wambach, April 29; and closes with chef and humanitarian José Andrés, May 18.

The speakers will share experiences, opinions, and behind-the-scenes insights on topics of the day. Each lecture begins at 7:30 p.m., in the Amaturo Theater, at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, 201 SW 5th Avenue, in Fort Lauderdale. Tickets are $55-$65 and can be purchased at www.BrowardCollegeSpeakerSeries.com.

City of Pompano Beach is Newest Broward UP™ Partner

Broward UP has continued its expansion into local communities, with the City of Pompano Beach becoming the latest municipal partner. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), approved by the City of Pompano Beach Commission on December 10, will see the College providing direct support to residents through the design and delivery of:

- Access strategies to degrees and certifications
- On-site courses, certification programs, and workshops
- A college and career-readiness campaign
- Entrepreneurial programming

The City of Pompano Beach joins the cities of Hollywood, Lauderdale Lakes, West Park, Lauderdale, and Tamarac as Broward UP municipal partners.

Cirque du Soleil Gifts Mural to Broward College and City of Fort Lauderdale

On Friday, January 24, Cirque du Soleil presented Broward College and the Fort Lauderdale community with a mural inspired by the joyful spirit of its Alegria show.

The painting located on the wall of the Broward College Downtown Center on SE 1st Avenue was produced in collaboration with local South Florida visual artist, Ernesto Maranje, as well as the production company Twenty6North Productions.

It reflects the vibrant, energizing force of Alegría, driven by a thirst for a brighter world. Cirque du Soleil has a history of installing murals in many other U.S. and Canadian cities over the years.
Nursing Graduates Participate in Candlelighting Ceremony

On December 10, 2019, 124 graduates of the Nursing program participated in the Candlelighting ceremony at the Omni Theater on North Campus. Celebrated as a rite of passage, the ceremony formally recognizes the entry into the nursing profession. Each graduate was presented with a candle from the Broward College Nursing faculty and recited the Nightingale Pledge.

As part of the recognition of their achievement, the Broward College Foundation announced that the graduates would be eligible to receive reimbursement for their licensure fees from the DeLuca Foundation. Since 2019, the DeLuca Foundation has been supporting graduates of the Broward College Nursing program moving into the workforce, by providing reimbursement for the fees associated with assessments required for licensure.

Second STEM Day Initiative Hosted at Broward College

The Science and Wellness Department, in partnership with STEM Beez, hosted the second annual STEM Day on Saturday, January 18, at the Judson A. Samuels South Campus in Pembroke Pines.

The objective of STEM Day is to show students of all ages and family backgrounds that education and occupation in the field are not out of reach and that there is a community that widely supports them. More than 250 children participated in a range of activities, which included DNA extractions using strawberries, building terrariums, making lava lamps, and solving anatomy puzzles.

Gabriella Jordan Named Spring 2020 William E. Greene Scholarship Recipient

Jordan, who is pursuing a degree in special education, will study in Spain for a semester, learning another culture. The William E. Greene scholarship has been awarded to a Broward College student each fall and spring semester since 2006 and has supported more than 40 students with the opportunity to study abroad.

Former Trustee and Panthers CEO, Matthew Caldwell Hosts Student Veterans at Panthers Game

On Sunday, January 12, the Office of Veterans Student Engagement facilitated 30 veterans and their guests to attend the Florida Panthers’ Military Appreciation Game at the BB&T Center in Sunrise. Veterans had the opportunity to engage with Panthers CEO, Matthew Caldwell, and hear his story of transitioning from the U.S. army, to a graduate student, and now president and CEO of a professional sports franchise. President Haile; Isabel Gonzalez, chief of staff; Ellice Martinez, associate vice president, Institutional Events; and Carlos Parra, director, Student Affairs, accompanied the group.
Broward College Team Meets Representatives of the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA)

The NBAA hosted its annual safety meeting at the College’s Downtown Center in Fort Lauderdale on Wednesday, January 22. This is the first time the organization visited Broward College. The NBAA represents more than 11,000 companies and professionals that rely on General Aviation aircraft. Broward College is a select educational partner to NBAA, offering training events in South Florida and throughout the country to support individuals seeking Certified Aviation Manager credentials.

Staying Connected

On January 8, the second Alumni Connect Happy Hour was held at the new Casa Sensei on Las Olas Boulevard. Upcoming Alumni & Friends events include a Women of Tomorrow Career Panel, a Speed Mentoring Career Panel, and a Dale Carnegie Experience.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 26
Village Square Dinner, Funky Buddha, Oakland Park, 6:45 p.m. Register at broward.edu/villagesquare.

FEBRUARY 13
“If I Don’t Make It, I Love You” Book Reading and Panel Discussion Honoring Survivors of MSD, North Campus Library, 6:30 p.m. Register at ahcd.eventbrite.com
On Saturday, December 14, Broward College alumni spent a day improving the beauty of one of the local beaches by joining the Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep. The two-hour service project saw the group collecting debris and recyclables. The College has increased its alumni engagement over the last academic year, thanks to strategic efforts of the Broward College Foundation.

Natbank Presents Check for American Dream Scholarship

On Sunday, December 6, 2019, during “Event in Paradise,” Natbank’s 25th-anniversary celebration at the Hilton Fort Lauderdale Marina, the Broward College Foundation was presented with a check for $10,000 for the Natbank American Dream Scholarship. Natbank is a subsidiary of the National Bank of Canada, with Broward County locations in Hollywood, Pompano Beach, and Boynton Beach. The event was attended by bank president Michael Côté and the Consulate General of Canada’s representative Natlija Marjanovic, consul in charge of foreign policy.

South Florida United Youth Soccer Association Establishes Scholarships

The executive board of the South Florida United Youth Soccer Association, the premier youth soccer association in Florida, has funded the establishment of two scholarships with a $78,000 gift for former players and referees entering Broward College. With more than 15,000 players and 1,200 teams participating per year spread across eight counties from Jupiter to Homestead and in southwest Florida, this highly competitive youth soccer organization has developed boys and girls who have played professionally on Major League soccer teams and the U.S. national teams.