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### A MESSAGE FROM THE HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESIDENT,

# **DEBORAH FOX**

The Kansas Promise

Greetings from Highland Community College. How to pay for higher education is a concern for many Kansas families. I wanted to take this opportunity to share a program available to Kansas students that can save families thousands of dollars and provide an avenue for employability in Kansas. The 2021-2022 academic year was the first year for implementation of the Kansas Promise Act. The Kansas Promise Act was enacted in 2021 under House Bill 2064 for the purpose of funding Kansas Promise Scholarships to graduates of Kansas high schools and Kansas residents. It is an investment to educate Kansans and further develop the Kansas workforce.

Under the Kansas Promise, students can complete a certificate or two-year degree in selected areas of study. For Highland, it encompasses many of our technical education certificates or degrees. A list of eligible Highland programs appears below:

- **Engineering Graphics and Technologies**

- Engineering Grap HVAC Medical Coding Certified Medication Aide Certified Nursing Aide Automotive Technology

- Construction Technology
  Welding Technology
  Medical Assistant
  LPN to RN Completion
  Computer Support Specialist
  Diesel Technology

- Electrical Technology Early Childhood EMT: Basic

- Practical NursingAuto Collision and Refinishing

The Kansas Promise is a "last dollar" scholarship that can be used to pay for student tuition, books and other Promise-eligible course-related materials not covered by other scholarships or grants. In exchange, a student agrees to live and work in Kansas for two years after completing the program of study.

To qualify for the Kansas Promise, a student must have:

- Graduated from a Kansas public or private high school (or equivalent) within the last 12 months
  Have been a Kansas resident for the preceding three consecutive years
  A dependent child of a military servicemember who is stationed in another state and, within the preceding 12 months, have graduated from an out-of-state high school (or equivalent)
  Have been in the custody of the secretary of children and families at any time when enrolled in and attending any of the grades 9-12 AND NOT be eligible for assistance under the Kansas Foster Child Educational Assistance Act.

A student must first apply for Federal Financial Aid to be considered for the Kansas Promise Scholarship. A student must also continuously enroll in 6 hours per semester and complete the certificate or associate degree in two years.

We believe this is an outstanding opportunity for Kansas students and want to spread the word about the availability of this scholarship.

**Deborah Fox** 

President, Highland Community College

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able to award over \$60,000 of scholarship funds annually.

A MESSAGE FROM THE HCC FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

# **KEITH JALOMA**

Dear Alumni & Friends,

We are in the final year of the seven-year Vision for Our Future Campaign and we have so many major accomplishments to celebrate with you and because of you!

- 456 Winery
- Clifford Hawk Ag Building
- HCC Track ComplexKlinefelter Farm Pond
- Spring Hill Apartments Janean Bowen Nursing Simulation Lab Enhancements
- **Barber Room Remodel**
- Diesel Technology Building
- Heritage Society
- Peuker Plaza
- Western Center Diesel Shop Remodel
- Bruning Bridge
- Eagle Scout Flag Pole
- Klinefelter Farm Granary
- Porter Family Stadium
- Wine Business Incubator

As a direct result of your generosity the Foundation has received over \$9 million in cash, pledges, estate gifts, and gifts-in-kind. The HCC Foundation has doubled to over \$6 million, has inducted 24 members into the HCC Heritage Society, and is

Two new ways to give to the HCC Foundation are through your local community foundation or taking advantage of the new Kansas tax credits. The HCC Foundation started funds in eight regional community foundations (Doniphan County, Hiawatha, South Brown County, Jackson County, Sabetha, Atchison County, Wamego and Valley Falls). Donors have supported HCC by giving nearly \$25,000 to these community foundations, who provide matching funds, since February 2021.

Beginning July 1, 2022, and tax years 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026, gifts to HCC Technical Center or Highland Community College for capital improvements, deferred maintenance, and technology/equipment purchases are eligible for a 60 percent non-refundable Kansas tax credit against Kansas income tax, insurance premium tax and privilege fees, or financial net income privilege tax. Please consider supporting an HCC program and take advantage of this unique tax opportunity. All of our buildings can benefit from capital improvements, deferred maintenance, and technology/equipment upgrades. Please contact me to see if your gift qualifies for this tax credit. The Tax Credit information is on page six with specific areas you may direct your gifts.

Your gifts will help keep your Highland Community College legacy alive and enable future students to follow in your footsteps.

Keith Jaloma

The HCC Foundation Executive Director



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# **COLLEGE NEWS**

# HCC HOSTS 40TH ANNUAL ART DAY

The HCC Art Department hosted the 40th Annual Art Day on Thursday, April 21, 2022. Thirty-two area high schools brought 453 students to the event. Students submitted 915 works of art, made 1200 buttons and 632 artist trading cards, bent and twisted a half mile of wire into sculpture, consumed 1050 pounds of clay, and rendered two pounds of charcoal into drawings. Congratulations, students and teachers, on your accomplishments!

### **Official Results:**

Sidewalk Chalk Drawings: 1st: Baldwin High School, 2nd: Spring Hill

High School, 3rd: Paola High School

**Self Portrait:** Ailee Lindsay, Hiawatha High School **Team Sculpture:** Gardner Edgerton High School

Bone Charcoal: Adyson Cashman

**Draw For Keeps:** Abby Brazil, St. Joseph Central High School **Wheel Throwing (student):** Ruby Dickie, Spring Hill High

Wheel Throwing (teacher): Ryan Paget, Shawnee Heights High School

Art History (school teams): 1st: Washburn Rural High School, 2nd: Jefferson West High School, 3rd: Hiawatha High School Art History (teacher): Tracy Schmidt, Lansing High School

### Overall Art Judging Scores (by class size):

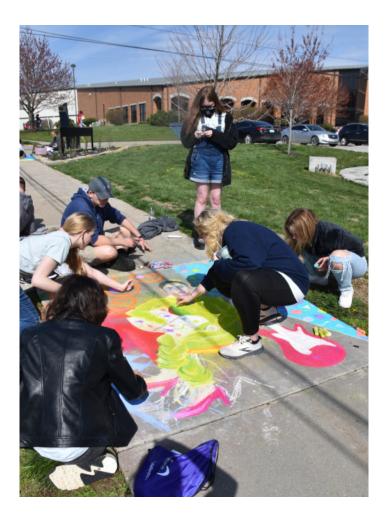
1st Place: 123A- Sabetha High School, 456A- Spring Hill High School 2nd Place: 123A- Clifton-Clyde High School, 456A- Lansing High School 3rd Place: 123A- Valley Heights High School, 456A- Paola High School

# LIBRARY RECEIVES \$20,000 ALA COVID RELIEF GRANT

The Highland Community College (HCC) Library is one of 77 libraries to receive \$20,000 in grant funds from the American Library Association (ALA) to purchase seven new laptops for student check-out and fifteen new computers for those without internet access.

Located in rural Northeast Kansas, the HCC Library serves students on the Highland campus and four additional locations across a nine-county service area and online. It is also part of a consortium with public libraries serving the communities in the region. Internet access, Wi-Fi, computers, new books and reliable resources are crucial to the success of all students the Library serves.

The ALA COVID Library Relief Fund grantees are academic, correctional, public, school, and tribal libraries from 32 states and Puerto Rico who suffered a substantial economic hardship due to the coronavirus pandemic. The ALA COVID Library Relief Fund is one of the largest non-federal grant opportunities for libraries. The American Library Association (ALA) is the foremost national organization providing resources to inspire library and information





professionals to transform their communities through essential programs and services. For more than 140 years, the ALA has been the trusted voice for academic, public school, government and special libraries, advocating for the profession and the library's role in enhancing learning and ensuring access to information for all. For more information, visit www.ala.org.

# IN NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Approximately 6,000 students, advisors and guests participated in Business Professionals of America's (BPA) 56th National Leadership Conference. Activities included general sessions with keynote speakers, business meetings, leadership workshops, contests, election of national officers, and tours of Dallas' sights and attractions! The highlight of the conference was the presentation of the awards to the winners of the national contests.

Highland Community College Technical Center's instructor Carrie Miller and students Korin Kimmi (Effingham), Sara Bergman (Potter), Delaney Bata (Atchison), Ciera Bass (Atchison) and Mary Gage (Hiawatha), who attended the Business Technology program, participated in the May 4-8, 2022 National Leadership Conference of Business Professionals of America in Dallas, TX. Ciera Bass, and Mary Gage participated in the Administrative Support Team placing 1st . Ciera received 2nd in Intermediate Word Processing and Basic Office Systems & Procedures. Korin Kimmi received 2nd in Fundamental Desktop Publishing & top 10 Administrative Support Concepts. Sara Bergman placed in the top 10 of Interview Skills and Prepared Speech. Delaney Bata placed in the top 10 in Business Law & Ethics.



Business Professionals of America is the leading CTSO (Career Technical Student Organization) for students pursuing careers in business management, office administration, information technology and other related career fields. BPA provides members with opportunities for growth through education, competition, community service and personal development. The organization has more than 35,000 members in 1,600 chapters across 25 states and Puerto Rico and an international presence in China, Haiti, and Peru. to learn more, visit www.bpa.org.

# HIGHLAND CAMPUS STUDENTS PACK MEAL KITS FOR AREA FAMILIES

On May 4, over 50 HCC students and additional staff packaged meal kits at the Clifford Hawk Agriculture Center at Highland Community College in Highland. A total of 350 meal kits were assembled equaling almost 2000 servings of food for families in need. HCC partnered with the Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) of Doniphan County for the community service event.

Dr. Eric Ingmire, HCC Vice President of Student Services, said, "The event was a huge success. Our students did an outstanding job of packaging meals and had a great time doing it in the process. The only way we were able to have such a successful event was because of our partnership with the Kansas Farm Bureau of Doniphan County. They provided the packaging meal kit materials and leadership in coordinating the stations."

An assembly line was created with stations for adding the food into pouches, another for weighing the contents (a very precise amount of food in each package was required), labeling the package, and sealing each one. Then they were placed in boxes for transport to their final location.

Thank you to the Kansas Farm Bureau of Doniphan County and the students and staff of Highland Community College.







# **HCC FOUNDATION & ALUMNI**

# CLASS OF '96 ALUM HOSTS PODCAST

Joy Huber, HCC Class of 1996, is a stage 4 cancer survivor who launched the "Dose of JOY" free weekly podcast to serve others facing cancer as their personal guide. She was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer at age 33. Joy endured three years of chemotherapy suffering the complete loss of her shoulder-length hair.

During her cancer journey Joy discovered, "While no one's happy they have cancer, you can have cancer and still be happy."

Morgan James Publishing of New York City published Joy's book titled "Cancer with JOY," which is available as a paperback, ebook, and audiobook. Joy has also blogged for The Huffington Post, and received standing ovations when speaking to cancer patients & survivors. Joy's unique approach to her total hair loss was featured in "Coping with Cancer" magazine.

Joy has a Master's degree in Health Communication, and she is professionally trained in coaching individuals through Coach U.

"Like" the "Dose of Joy Podcast" Facebook page to receive links to the helpful resources Joy highlights on her show. Find Dose of Joy on Spotify by scanning the QR code to the right.



While attending HCC, Joy was involved in numerous activities including the Classy Lassies Drill Team, Business Professionals of America, Phi Beta Lambda, and Student Government Association. She was also a Homecoming Queen Candidate in the Fall of 1995.



# **GOLDEN GRADS - CLASS OF** 1971 VISITS HIGHLAND

On Saturday, October 23, 2021, Highland held the annual homecoming celebration honoring current students as well as the Golden Grad 50-year class of 1971.

"We look forward to our homecoming celebration each year and meeting the returning Golden Grads. Their stories, memories, and connecting with their classmates is the highlight of the day. The class of 1971 was a joy to host and they had a great time," Kelly Twombly, Director of Alumni Relations at HCC, noted after interacting with the classmates.

The day consisted of a meet and greet reception followed by a campus tour led by alum and Director of Admissions, Taylor Marriott '09. The Golden Grads then retreated to Kirkwood and Co. Table and Tap for a luncheon, update of the College by President Deborah Fox, and a wonderful performance by the Lads and Lassies under the direction of Shayna Leahy.

Following the lunch, the Golden Grads enjoyed the President's Reception at the Porter Family Stadium where the Scotties took on Iowa Central Community College.



The class of 1972 will be honored as Highland's next Golden Grads on October 8, 2022.

Back Row L to R: Mike Lowe, Mike Gormley, Henry Scherer, Mike Higgins, Barbara Higgins, Thomas Dickeson, Linda Crawford, Paul Crawford

Second Row L to R: Donna Kuhnert Gormley, Bonnie Boos Scherer, Ellen Miller Beaman, Gloria Gordon Schneider, Doug Meyer

## **NEW COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT TAX CREDIT**

Who: Kansas Income Taxpayers, Kansas Premium Taxpayers, and Kansas Privilege Taxpayers.

When: Effective on and after July 1, 2022 and prior to December 31, 2025.

Purpose: A tax credit shall be allowed for any taxpayer that makes a contribution to a community college located in Kansas for capital improvements, deferred maintenance, or the purchase of technology and equipment.

Tax Credit Amount/Limitation: The credit is 60 percent of the total amount contributed during the taxable year by the taxpayer to a community college located in Kansas. In no event shall the total amount of credits allowed for taxpayers who contribute to any one such community college exceed \$250,000 in any one tax year. Community Colleges are also capped at awarding a maximum of \$500,000 in total from their college. A statewide cap on the amount of credits that are available to be awarded is \$5,000,000. If the amount of credit exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability, the remaining credit is not allowed to carryover or to be refunded. Kansas Community Colleges have determined to be eligible for this credit that the minimum donation for which a credit will be \$1,000.

How to Claim the Tax Credit: Qualified taxpayers who have made a contribution to a community college on or after July 1, 2022 will be required to file the appropriate tax return electronically and follow the proper steps in preparation of their tax return to claim the credit as directed to on the Kansas Department of Revenue website. HCC will provide you with a "Tax Credit Certificate".

Here are a few areas to select from that qualify for the Tax Credit and will benefit students at HCC:

- · Winery Tractor
- Allen Fieldhouse Bleachers
- Learning Resource Center/Library
- · New Laundry Facility
- Softball Field
- Administration Building Conference Room Renovation
- Admissions Office/Space Renovation
- Auto Body Program Painting Booth
- Multimedia Camera Equipment
- Resurfacing Parking Lots
- Tuck Pointing
- New Electronic Board in Front Yard of Highland Campus
- · Advancement Office Renovation
- eSports Equipment
- · New Baseball Field
- Room Naming Opportunities
- Welding Program Renovation
- New Pole Barn for equipment at Western Center





# LONG-TERM FOUNDATION BOARD MEMBERS RETIRE

After years of service on the Highland Community College Foundation Board, Mike Hundley '74 and Lisa Ward '89 have retired from service this year.

Mike's 18 years on the Foundation Board includes two terms as President. During his tenure several construction initiatives were completed including the restoration of the Klinefelter granary, renovation of several residence halls, and remodeling the Highland Community College 456 Winery in Wamego.

Lisa's two separate terms on the board span over eleven years. Her vision of establishing HCC Foundation funds in the eight community foundations within our service area has come to fruition and has proven to be extremely beneficial. She has served on several committees and provided strong leadership in establishing processes and policy.



**MIKE HUNDLEY '74** 



LISA WARD '89

# **HCC FOUNDATION & ALUMNI**

# **HAMPTON FOLLOWS** IN HIS FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

Story Quoted from the Wichita Business Journal

Conner Hampton serves as the Development Director at Center City Academy, Inc. His focus is generating resources and funds to build a new nonprofit early childhood education center for children, ages six-weeks to five-years in downtown Wichita.

"The opportunity to build a facility that will educate 100 children daily at an affordable cost is a dream come true for me," said Hampton.

Hampton's father inspired him to get involved. "My father has been in education for 39 years as an educator and administrator. He has shown me how to enjoy what you do and give back to others. He pushed me to be great at whatever I chose to do."



When asked about his mentors and why they're important, Hampton said, "Troy Heatherly got me started in nonprofit work when I transitioned out of coaching college basketball. He is an amazing leader, mentor and friend. What separates him from most leaders is the amount of care he has for the people he works with. I try to emulate his leadership, energy and heart daily. He is a person I call for guidance, advice and to celebrate all my successes. He is always there for me, and I hope everyone is as lucky as I am to have a mentor like Troy."

Hampton played basketball for the Scotties during the 2007-2008 school year.

# HCC FOOTBALL HOSTS 2ND ANNUAL MARTY ALLEN GOLF CLASSIC

The Highland Community College football team hosted their annual Marty Allen Golf Classic on July 22 at the Bellevue Golf Course in Atchison, Kan.

Twenty-five teams participated in the four-man scramble. Local businesses and friends of the College provided donations in addition to the 36 hole sponsors. Silent auction items included signed K-State, KU, Royals and Chiefs memorabilia. Two Kansas City Chiefs cheerleaders made a special appearance during the event for photos.

The winner of Flight A was Amberwell Hospital in Hiawatha. Second place went to the Mike Hansford team, an HCC football alum. The winner of Flight B was Jeschke Harvesting. The Highland Community College Foundation placed second.

Matt Lutes had the longest drive for men. Jeni Flach and Debbie Fee tied for the longest drive for women. The closest to pin for the men was Ken Huss and Taylor Marriott for women. The longest putt for men was made by Paul Greer and Tricia Ricklefs for the women. The Pink Ball winner was the Rachel Smith team.

Head HCC Football Coach, Jared Powers, said, "I want to thank everyone who made this year's Marty Allen Golf Classic a success. We look forward to the support of our community in the coming season."





# Thank You Sponsors =

### **VOLLEYBALL REUNION**

The HCC Volleyball Reunion was held on Saturday, August 28, 2021, at the Highland campus. We hosted 11 alums ranging from class of 1979 to 2021 for lunch and to watch the HCC Scottie Volleyball team's match at 1:00. Former Coach Jon Bingesser welcomed the group and enjoyed lunch prior to his match.



### **BASEBALL REUNION**

The HCC Baseball Reunion was held on Saturday, October 9, 2021, at the Highland campus. We hosted 14 alums ranging from class of 1970 to 2021 for lunch and to watch the HCC Scottie Football team take on Butler CC at 1:00. Coach Landon Hay welcomed the group, the team played a scrimmage, and then enjoyed lunch provided by Smoked Creations BBO out of Ottawa, Kansas.



# **SHARE YOUR NEWS!**

WHERE HAS HCC TAKEN YOU?

Share your updates, news, accomplishments, and celebrations for inclusion in the next issue of 'The Connection' Alumni Magazine. Submit your notes to: highlandcc.edu/alumni-update-form.

We look forward to hearing from you!

# **456 WINERIES**



Read more about 456 Winery by scanning this QR code. We'd like to thank Farm Progress for featuring our Viticulture and Enology Program as well as the 456 Winery.









# **COLLEGE NEWS: REGIONAL**

# TECH CENTER STUDENTS ATTEND SKILLSUSA NATIONAL COMPETITION

Glen Dunkin, of Kansas City, Missouri, a graduate of Highland Community College Technical Center (HCCTC), placed second place in the Industrial Motor Controls competition at the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Championship. The national skilled trades championship was held in Atlanta June 21-23. The annual SkillsUSA conference was a showcase of career and technical education where more than 5200 outstanding career and technical education students—all state contest winners—competed hands-on in 108 different trade, technical and leadership fields.

Other Highland students attending the National Competition were Kalab Ridout (Electrical Construction), of Highland; Keaton Henning (Electrical Construction), of Lancaster; and Kaitlynn Tolbert (Automotive Refinishing), of Camden Point, Missouri. Ridout placed fourth in the Electrical Construction competition.

During the SkillsUSA competition, the students worked against the clock and one another, proving their expertise in occupations such as electronics, computer-aided drafting, diesel technology, medical assisting and culinary arts. All contests are run and judged by industry professionals using industry standards for employment. More than 1200 industry judges participated this year.

All winners receive medallions and frequently receive tools of their trade and/or scholarships to further their careers and education. The SkillsUSA Championship is for high-school and college-level students who are members of SkillsUSA. To qualify for the national competition, the students competed in local and state contests. The state gold winners advance to the National SkillsUSA Championships.

**Glen Dunkin-** Kansas City, MO - Full-time student, graduated the Electrical program in May 2021.

**Kalab Ridout-** Highland, KS - Full-time student, completed one-year of the Electrical Technology program. He shall graduate the program May 2023.

**Keaton Henning-** Lancaster, KS – high school student at Atchison County Community high school. This was his first year attending the electrical program. He will graduate the program May 2024.

**Kaitlynn Tolbert-** Camden Point, MO – Full-time student, completed one-year of the Automotive Collision & Refinishing program. She will graduate the program May 2023.



Pictured left to right: Kalab Ridout, Kaitlynn Tolbert, Duane Coder, HCCTC Electrical Technology Instructor, Glen Dunkin. Not pictured Keaton Henning.



Pictured front row left to right: Keaton Henning, Kalab Ridout, Glen Dunkin, Amy DuLac HCCTC Director and SkillsUSA Sponsor, Duane Coder, HCCTC Electrical Technology Instructor

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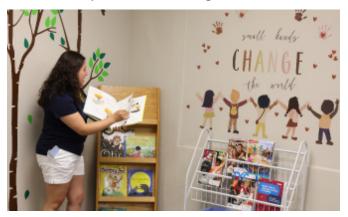
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# **#SCOTTIENATION**

# WAMEGO CENTER STARTS **NEW TECHNICAL PROGRAMS**

The Wamego Center of Highland Community College will have new technical programs for enrollment. Early Childhood (available this fall) and Computer Support Specialist (available in the future) are two technical programs for students to take part-time while in high school or full-time after high school graduation to earn a certificate or degree.

Nicole Bartel, Wamego Center Director, said, "We are thrilled to expand our offerings for our students and community in Wamego! There is a huge need for Early Childhood and Computer Support professionals within our community and this is one step we can take towards



filling that need. It's also an exciting opportunity for high school students to expand their resumes and build practical skills outside of the classroom. They can start getting college credits out of the way while they are still in high school and be ready for the workforce when they graduate."

The nine-month (when attending full-time) Early Childhood program provides academic study and hands-on experience that encourage a reflective approach to early childhood responsibilities. The program provides a good foundation in developing appropriate curriculum, creating classroom environments that meet children's developmental needs, and working effectively with parents and families. Through hands-on experience, internships, and classroom work, students prepare for a career working with young children.

The Computer Support Specialist program trains students in networking, repair, server setup and configuration, and workstation setup and configuration. This 18-month (when attending full-time) technical certificate and/or Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree includes extensive course work and hands-on experience. Because of the competitive workforce, training includes the opportunity to become CompTIA A+, Network +, Security +, as well as CISCO CCNA certified giving students the edge for successful employment. This program will be offered at Wamego when a qualified instructor is hired.

Learn more about these programs and how to get started at highlandcc.edu/tech.

### WANT MORE INFORMATION? VISIT HIGHLANDCC.EDU/LOCATIONS

# **WESTERN CENTER STUDENTS PASS BOILERMAKER WELDING TEST**

Two Welding Technology students from the Western Center in Baileyville passed the Boilermaker Local 83 welding test. Peyton Gerstner and Sebastian Kirk, both of Frankfort completed the welding technology program this May. Both completed a super coupon 6G test - TIG root and 7018 fill and cap. This welding test is the top of the American Welding Society (AWS) standard. Gerstner and Kirk are working to become indentured into the apprenticeship program. Previously, three additional Western Center students have completed this welding test.

Gerstner and Kirk not only completed the HCC Welding Technology program this May, but both also graduated from their local high schools at the same time. Cara Baker, HCC Western Center Director said, "It takes a real commitment to attend the Western Center for half a day, every day, for two years. To graduate high school and complete the HCC certificate program is a huge accomplishment. These young men represented our program well in their completion of the Boilermakers welding test."

The welding program at HCC is a nine-month certificate program for students enrolled full-time in the program. Students learn all types of arc welding processes: metal arc welding (stick), gas



shielded arc welding (wire), gas tungsten arc welding (tig), oxy-acetylene welding (gas), plasma and carbon arc cutting, blueprint reading and pipe welding.

The American Welding Society (AWS) was founded in 1919, as a nonprofit organization with a global mission of advancing the science, technology, and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes worldwide, including brazing, soldering and thermal spraying.

# **SCOTTIE SPORTS**

# **2021-2022 SPORTS**

# VOLLEYBALL SETS NEW SCHOOL RECORD FOR POST-SEASON

The Highland Scotties Volleyball team set a new school record for post season awards this year by bringing home six All-Conference and seven All-District selections. The previous mark for any Scottie team was five All-Conference and six All-District selections. 2021 NJCAA All-American selections have yet to be determined.

Head Coach Jon Bingesser was pleased with the record number of awards, saying "Having seven players receive post season honors is very exciting. It's not often that you even see five players on the list, so to have such a high number is a great honor. It's a rewarding feeling knowing the talent on our team has been recognized in such a way."



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### MEN'S BASKETBALL

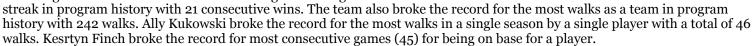
Jerre Cole, HCC Head Men's Basket-ball Coach reached the 300th win of his overall career as a Head Men's Basketball Coach. The event took place on November 13, 2021 during the 5th match up of the season. The match up was against Southwestern Community College, and the final score for the game was 58-55.



# **HIGHLAND SOFTBALL 2022 DII KJCCC CHAMPIONS**

The Scottie Softball Program had many student-athletes earn KJC-CC awards for the 2022 season. The award recipients were Taylor Kettle (First Team ALL Conference-1B, Second Team ALL Region 6-Infield), Morgan Wickizer (First Team ALL Conference-3B, First Team ALL Region 6-Infield), Ally Kukowski (First Team ALL Conference-Outfield, Second Team ALL Region 6-Outfield), Rosie Anguiano (Second Team ALL Conference-Utility), Taylor Peden (Second Team ALL Conference-DP), Elli Kliethermes (Second Team ALL Conference-Catcher, Second Team ALL Region 6-Catcher), Salem Liebenthal (MVP, Second Team ALL Conference-Pitcher, First Team ALL Region 6-Pitcher) and Kerstyn Finch (Second Team ALL Region 6-Infield).

The Scotties broke several school records throughout the season. Including the record for the team with the longest winning



Coach Gregory Cary was selected as the Co-Head Coach of the Year for the SOFTBALL D-II DIVISION B ALL CONFERENCE TEAM. Coach Cary also broke a program record this season. He is the fastest Head Coach in program history to reach 30 wins in their first season.

### FOOTBALL GRABS NINE KJCCC ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

With the conclusion of the 2021 football season, the KJCCC has released their All-Conference teams with the Highland Scotties checking in with nine members. Despite a tough season, against arguably the nations toughest schedule, the Scotties were led by some outstanding individual performances.

The Scotties had three student-athletes make the First Team: TE – Deontay Campbell - led the team and conference in receptions (16), yards (314), and touchdowns (3) at his position.

LB – Jalen Angelle - had an eye-popping 18 tackles in a single game this season and finished with 91 total tackles.

DE – Warren Peeples - terrorized opposing quarterbacks and led the nation in QB Sacks through the regular season with 12.5 sacks.

The Scotties had one player on the Second Team: CB – Malik Chatman - shut down the top receivers in the league with 12 pass break ups and 1 interception.

Rounding off the all-conference members were Lucas Dankenbring (OL), Treveon Henry (DL), Derrell Holston (DB), Kevin Smith (LB), and EJ Thomas (DL) as Honorable Mentions.



HIGHLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE



KJCCC FOOTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS & AWARDS



# **HIGHLAND TRACK & FIELD**

The Men and Women Track and Field Teams had an excellent year. Many accomplishments took place during these Indoor and Outdoor Seasons. From National Champions to record breaking performances. Odayne Harris won the Javelin event at Nationals this year with a throw of 59.58m. The overall finish for the Men's Track and Field Team was 16th in the Nation and the overall finish of the Women's Track and Field Team was 11th in the Nation. At Nationals there were many great performances that earned the All-American Award to many of our student-athletes. The list shows which students and what event.



Jazmyn James- Shot Put Santornya Ralliford - Shot Put Shakeria Williams - Shot Put Santornya Ralliford- Discus Dayjahney Hibbert- High Jump Tevaughn Tate- Decathalon Tevaughn Tate- Javelin Jarno Zuccoli - Javelin Odayne Harris - Javelin Andwele Shurland - Pole Vault

These are the school records that were broken this year:

Indoor-Male Ricardo Smith 2022 Heptathlon 4830

Indoor Female Santornya Ralliford Shot Puy 14.27 Santornya Ralliford 52'1.25 Weighted Throw

Outdoor Male Odayne Harris Javelin 62.36 Tevaughn Tate- Decathlon 6110 Andwele Shurland 4.56 Pole Vault

Outdoor Female Jazzmyn James- Shot Put 47'1.5 Santornya Ralliford Discus- 158'10

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Chad & Heather Clark D.D.S '01

Carolyn Campbell

Kelly Carmody '99

Michelle Carter '00

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Evette Edmondson '91

Mary Anne Eisenbise '49

Jeff '85 & Rebecca Farrar

Randy '80 & Debbie '80 Fee

Mike & Becky '93 Feuerbacher

Richard & Jeni Fee '06 Flach

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Mat & Dawn Fleishans

Amy Spangler Flora '94

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Steve & Linda Schultz Jeffrey '87 & Michel '91 Scott Theodore Seligson

John & Karen '67 Severin Edith Shear William '82 & Deann '82 Shields Russell Sifers

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Jason '93 & Shannon Swift Kent Symns

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"I enjoyed the '71 reunion that you hosted. I thought the HCC staff did a great

job. Glad I attended. Was

glad to see classmates.

See you in another 50!"

@ThomasDickeson

# **ALUMNI NOTES**

### 1960s

**Barbara Peterson** Rupe '62 and husband James (Jim) of Hiawatha, KS celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 15, 2022. They enjoy keeping up with all the activities their grandchildren are involved in. In addition to their grandchildren, Barbara and Jim love attending HCC sports and activities! At our fan appreciation game they were recognized for their support and attendance at Scottie events. Go Scotties!

**Cynthia Tilson Rogers** '66 After graduating from Highland Community Junior College Cindy earned her B.A. in Home **Economics Education** from Washburn in 1969. She joined Kappa Alpha Theta, Washburn Women's Venture Partners and a founding member of the Washburn Women's Alliance. Cindy received the **Outstanding Kansas** 



Job Placement Specialist award from the Kansas Rehabilitation Association, named to the National Rehabilitation Distinguished Service Registry in the United States Library of Congress and honored with the Distinguished Service Award for her continued service and commitment to Washburn. In August of 2022 Cindy will join the Washburn University Board of Trustees.

Melinda Miller '68 is a Real Estate Broker for and owner of A-1 Realty. Her husband, Jim. owns Jim Miller Construction and is a Heavy Equipment Operator.

### 1970s

Charles (Sam) Wheeler '70 was

involved in Lads and Lassies, choir, band, and the play Finian's Rainbow during his time at HCC. He went on to graduate from Emporia State in 1972 with a BSE in Industrial Education. He taught industrial education for 10 years and then graduated with a master's degree in 1982. He was the principal at Bert Nash School and Atchison High School for 26 years. He retired in 2008. Charles and his wife Nancy (who attended

HCC in 1969/1970) have two boys, Curtis and Andrew, five grandchildren, and one great grandchild. After 35 years in Atchison, Kansas, they recently moved to Olathe to be closer to their younger grandchildren.

Ellen 'Miller' Beaman **'71** was involved in Lads and Lassies and the musical, Funny Girl, when she attended HCC. She was a registered nurse for Mosaic and is now happily retired!

Susan 'Jeschke' Calloway '71 fondly remembers her time at HCC; specifically, the times she spent at football and basketball games along with singing at events with the Lads and Lassies. Out of all her college experiences, Mr. Thompson was the best teacher she had. He was able to make chemistry not only understandable. but also enjoyable. Mr. Buffington, who directed the Lads and Lassies, was another great teacher. She remembers many of her HCC classmates some were former high school classmates, but some were from larger cities and would be in shock when they saw the size of the town! After graduating from HCC, Susan lived in Norway for a short time and had the opportunity to travel to many

different countries. She obtained her MSN and PhD degrees, met a Texan, and has been married for 43 years! They have four children and five grandchildren, all who live near them. Most of her career was as a faculty member in nurse practitioner programs achieving the rank of professor. She was inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners. selected as Texas Nurse Practitioner of the Year, was given the Chancellor's Teaching Award for the Texas Tech University system and established a nonprofit for the orphans in eSwatini, Orma's Orphans.

Thomas Dickeson '71 attended HCC with many of his high school classmates. Since he lived in Hiawatha during his time as a student, he was able to live at home and commute. His time at HCC seemed like two more extra years of high school since almost half of his HCC classmates were also his high school classmates. Thom went on to graduate from Kansas State University in December of 1973 with his BS in Electrical Engineering. He lived and worked in Minnesota for four

years. He then moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1978, and worked for Sperry Corporation and Evans and Sutherland Computer Corporation. He loves the mountains and has enjoyed hiking and skiing, but he does miss the green of the Midwest. Thom has been able to travel to Europe several items. He completed a twomonth bicycle trip in New Zealand in 2003. He now does arts and crafts shows selling small wooden items that he makes.

Donna 'Kuhnert' Gormley '71

remembers her days at HCC being full of fun times! She enjoyed meeting people from many different high schools. Mr. Yost and Mr. Babcock were two of the instructors she remembers most. They were very personable and very good teachers. Since graduating, Donna worked in insurance for 40 years. She is married to Mike Gormley, and they have two children and six grandchildren. Since retiring, Donna and Mike love to travel to beaches and spend time with their grandchildren.

Jim Robb '71 enjoyed his time at HCC as a



# **ALUMNI NOTES**

student. Much of his time was spent in Allen Field House practicing, working out, and playing basketball. He remembers the Student Union as the gathering place where many social contacts were made. Overall, Jim remembers his instructors as being 'good people.' They were thoughtful and helpful. There were many lessons to be learned concerning deadlines, expectations of work and integrity. Many of his classmates were from the Northeast Kansas area, but there were also many from out-of-state. For the most part, he recalls his classmates being friendly and outgoing. There was more diversity than he was used to. After graduating, Jim went on to attend Bethel College and graduated in 1973 with a teaching degree. He taught high school social studies. physical education, and drivers' education. He spent the last eight years of his teaching career working with students needing additional academic support. He worked in education for a total of 44 years; working in five public school systems and spent a few years working for Bethel College. In addition to his career as a teacher, coach, and administrator. he maintained his connections with the land and ran a small farm and a small cattle herd. He



married Beaty Goering from Moundridge in 1973, and they will soon be celebrating their anniversary on December 28. Jim and Beaty have two sons. Adam and his wife, Jill, are teachers in the Moundridge School District. They adopted twin babies who are now four years old. Patrick and his wife, Julia, have two sons: Lane (nine years old) and Kalib (almost four years old). Jim and Beaty have travelled some but have not spent a great deal of time traveling since retirement (Covid seemed to have gotten in the way of that). Jim enjoys reading, writing for the family. watching a few games on TV and in-person, and spending time in their vegetable and flower gardens raising food and enjoying the beauty of the flowers. Religious life is important, and they are involved in many service endeavors trying to help people to learn how to help themselves. They remain happy, and Jim acknowledges the decision to attend HCC put him in a direction that helped him to be

**Michael Higgins** '71 enjoyed the convenience of only living three blocks from campus when he attended HCC. He appreciated the fact that the administrators and teachers were willing to take the time to talk to the students. When it comes to memories of his fellow classmates, Mike fondly remembers that most of them were friendly. Many lived close enough

successful.

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that they were able



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Award. Mike is happily

married to his wife,

Barbara. They have

three children, eight

great grandchildren.

photography, as well

teacher in his church.

Mike recently stepped

down from serving on

more than 20 years.

the Alumni Board after

as being a deacon

and Sunday School

grandchildren, and six

He enjoys reading and

Joyce 'Woodrum' Meredith '71 has been blessed with retirement.

**Doug Meyer '71** has fond memories of his time at HCC, one of them being the time spent between classes playing cards! He has

very positive memories of his classmates. They were friendly and funloving, In 1971, Doug started farming and raising cattle full-time. He married his wife, Brenda Johnston. from Goodland in 1981. From 1983 to 2021, he was a seed sales representative. He sold Sweet Pro cattle feed from 1992 to 2021. In 2007, he started working parttime for the National **Agricultural Statistics** Service, a division of the USDA. Their son, Clint, who is also an HCC alum, joined the grain, cattle, and seed sales operation. Doug and Brenda have one grandson that could possibly be the sixthgeneration farmer on the same farm!

**Bonnie 'Boos'** Scherer '71 has many wonderful memories of her time at HCC. She had the pleasure of working in the Admissions Office It was there that Mr. Fitch suggested she consider Medical Technology as her major. She remembers hanging out in the Union and at Ernie's, the Wednesday trips to Wathena, and living in the dorms and cooking in the kitchen! Biology teacher, Mr. McPheeters, math instructor, Mr. Shaffer, Mrs. Babcock, and Mr. Yost, are the instructors she remembers most. Mr. Yost was able to make art class fun, even though she claims she wasn't artistic! Bonnie appreciated getting together in the dorm with her

classmates to study: especially for her biology class taught by Mr. McPheeters. While a student at HCC, Bonnie was a part of the Drill Team. After HCC, Bonnie transferred to Missouri Western State College and earned her degree in Medical Technology. She worked for the Atchison Hospital for 38 years before retiring in 2013. She married Henry Scherer, and they have two children and five grandchildren. They live on a farm near Atchison. She and Henry enjoy traveling and spending time with their children and grandchildren.

Gloria 'Gordon' Schneider '71 enjoyed her time at HCC. She thought Highland was a great town to be a student. Out of all her teachers, she remembers Miss Marv Roberts, the secretarial skills teacher, being a wonderful instructor. Ellen Miller Beaman was a great friend to Gloria during her time as a student. She enjoyed watching her in the musical, Funny Girl.Since graduating from HCC, Gloria has been a legal secretary, a plant manager secretary, the Fort Leavenworth Secretary, and a paraprofessional.

Kenneth Winder
'71 attended and
graduated from
Missouri Western State
University after his
time at HCC. He went
on to teach for one
semester in Rosendale,
Missouri, before
starting his work in



production control at Pascoe Building Systems until they sold out. He then worked at Oxley Printing until it was sold to the News Press. He worked there until they eliminated the department on July 31, 2015. Kenneth finished his career as a paraprofessional for the Doniphan County **Education Cooperative** at Troy Grade School until 2017. He is now fully retired. On September 6, 1981, he married Virginia Winkel. They have two sons, Jonathan Winder, who married Callee Simpson, on January 5, 2005, and David Winder, who married Caitlin Mellencamp, on October 24, 2015. Kenneth and Virginia have two grandchildren, Analyst. She is a moth-Dean (two years old) and Clara (one month old). In his spare time, Kenneth enjoys painting with oils.

Marsha 'Bloom' Walters '72 and her husband, David, will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in October.

Craig Broadbent '74 retired from education. His wife, Glenda, is a retired registered nurse. Craig was in education for 43 years. He taught physical education, health, and drivers' education. He taught at Dighton, Ulysses, Topeka Highland Park, Wichita North, and Maize high schools.

### 1980s

Tracy Streeter '82 was named to Ingram's Magazine's "50 Kansans

You Should Know." After nearly 30 years with the Kansas Water Office, Tracy moved to the private sector working for Burns & McDonnell. He works with cities on big water projects.

**Dennis Shoemaker** '84 was promoted to Captain by the Kansas Highway Patrol. He serves as commander of Troop S - Special Response Team/SRT, Hazardous Device Unit, and the Police Service Dog Unit/PDSU.

**Christine 'Overdick'** Hicks '84 has been married to husband. Lee, for 38 years. She has been employed at Honeywell for 37 years as a Senior Financial er and grandmother and is enjoying living life to its fullest!

Jerome Stone '87 After quarterbacking the Scotties football team and graduating in 1987, Jerome studied law and opened a very successful law practice in Stuart, FL. He has also represented several NFL players as an agent. Along with his continued financial support of the HCC football team Jerome is an investor in the 37acre Florida All-Stars Sportsplex providing indoor and outdoor facilities. The indoor complex includes 8 basketball courts, 16 volleyball courts. weight rooms, and workout rooms along with a full complement of outdoor fields for any sport.

### 1990s

Brenda Becker '90 is currently the Assistant Manager at Bomgaars Farm Supply in Seneca. She has four children (Ashley, Dalton, Sierra, and Austin) and three grandsons who keep her pretty busy. She is enjoying life and taking it day by day. She loves her job and is "pretty much a workaholic"!

### 2000s

James (Jimmy) Thompson III '03 and wife, Erin 'Bayless' Thompson '03, have five children. Their oldest is about to graduate from high school. Jimmy (a Squadron Commander, Lieutenant Colonel) has been serving in the US Air Force as an officer for 15 years. They have traveled and lived in Hawaii, Germany, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. Jimmy taught at the University of Notre Dame for three years. They will be taking a new assignment in Wichita this summer and are excited to be coming back to Kansas! During their time at HCC, Jimmy played football, and Erin played softball.

**Connor Hampton '07** was featured in the Wichita Business Journal which spotlights standout young professionals in education. He is the Development Director for Center City Academy, Inc. His main goal for the academy is to generate resources and funds to build new nonprofit

early childhood education centers for children in Wichita. He and his wife, Lydia, have one son, Crew, who is three years old.

**Dustin Libel '08 and** wife, Kristen, welcomed a baby boy, Madison Patrick, to the family on February 15, 2022. He was welcomed home by big sister, Jolee Janet.

Jessica 'Lackey' Cotter '08 and husband, Chase, welcomed a baby boy, Callen James, on April 2, 2022. Callen was welcomed home by big sister, Stella.

### 2010s

Eric Simmons '10 has concluded his role as the St. Joseph National **Education Association** (NEA) leader and his career as an art teacher to accept a position as a full-time employee with the Missouri NEA.

Bethani 'Zeit' Jarrett '11 and husband. Cole. have been married for eight years and have four children (two boys and two girls: Tucker -13, Dawson - 6, Josie - 4, and Gentry - 2). They recently built a home in Troy. While a student at HCC, Bethani was on the dance team for one year, worked at the Walters Wellness Center both years, was the RA in Kiltie during her sophomore year, and graduated with an Associates in Arts degree. She then went on to attend Hillyard **Technical Center** where she received her



LPN. Then, she attended HCC Technical Center LPN to RN Bridge Program where she received her ADN. She is now a Registered Nurse for the Doniphan County Health Department/Home Heath. Cole works at R/S Electric Corporation.

Chase Gumm '13 starred in a role in the new movie Peace River. When asked about his time at HCC, he said "Some of my closest friends, still to this day, I met at Highland Community College, Go Scotties!" The movie was shown nationwide on March 3, 2022.

Victoria 'Skiles' '13 and husband Buddy '13 Lisk welcomed baby boy, Cooper, in July of 2021. Cooper was welcomed home by big sister, Bella.

Hannah 'Stirton' '14 and Skyler Owen were married on July 17, 2021.







# **f** @DonnaKuhnertGormley

"Thank you for a wonderful day for our class of 1971 Golden Grads day. We felt so welcome. I am so glad we attended this event."

Marli 'Mears' '15 married Justin Thornton on November 27, 2021.

**Derek Gibson '15** and wife, Holley, welcomed daughter, Nora Jean, on May 4, 2022.

Stephanie 'Summerville' Loecker '17 and husband, Tyler, welcomed baby boy, Oliver Ray, on May 4, 2022.

Jaycie 'Hoover' '17 and husband, Gabe Martinez '12, welcomed baby boy, Elias James, on May 17, 2022.

Marissa 'Horton' Gardner '18 and husband, Shawn, welcomed



baby boy, Kayce, on June 3, 2022.

### 2020s

Bereanna 'Weiland'
'21 and Houston Cluck
'17 welcomed home
baby girl, Bobbie Jean,
on December 7, 2021.

# WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO?

# Contact us!

Sunday, June 12, 2022, at the age of 89.

Lynette Bahnsen passed away on Sunday, July 10, 2022.

Marjorie 'Ukena' Bauer passed away on July 24, 2022, at the age of 99.

Ashley Watka passed away on July 28, 2022.

John Pantle of Cummings passed away on August 6th, 2022 at the age of 21.

Ron Bishop passed away on August 10th, 2022 at the age of 75.

John "Red" Ellis of Tulsa, OK passed away on August 13th, 2022.

Barbara 'Sweezy' Sanner, of Hamlin, passed away May 8, 2022, at the age of 88.

# **IN MEMORIAM**

### 1940s

James "Harvey" Neibling '48 of Highland, passed away December 1, 2021, at the age of 98.

Emma 'Shulsky' Walsh '48 of Denton, passed away on April 20, 2022, at the age of 92.

### 1950s

Patricia (Patty) 'Shear' Bruning' '50 of Hiawatha passed away on July 17, 2021, at the age of 88.

### 1950s

Edwin Dennis Ford '60 of Wathena passed away on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at the age of 84.

William "Bill" Foster '62 of Troy passed away Thursday, March 3, 2022, at the age of 79.

William "Bill" Batchelder '65 passed away on October 17, 2021, at the age of 76.

### 1970s

Curtis Gamble '77 of Hiawatha passed away November 18, 2021, at the age of 64.

### 1980s

Lawrence "Emery" Hale '80 of Mayetta passed away Sunday, February 20, 2022, at the age of 91.

Guy Tilton '86 of Lenexa passed away on Thursday, February 3, 2022, at the age of 56.

Mark Handke '88 of Emporia passed away at Newman Regional Health on Sunday, March 20, 2022, at the age of 62.

### 1990s

Joseph Kennedy '90 of rural Soldier passed away on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at the age of 74.

Virginia (Ginny) Arlene Robinson '96 of Holton passed away on December 3, 2021, at the age of 71.

Diann Marie Boldridge '97 of Topeka passed away on June 30, 2022, at the age of 72.

### 2000s

Brant Domnanish '03 of Olathe, Kansas, formerly of Paola, passed away Saturday, July 3, 2021, at the age of 38.

Ryan Bockman '03 of Leavenworth passed away Sunday, October 31, 2021, at the age of 39. Bryce Nigus '09 of Hiawatha passed away on August 6, 2021, at the age of 32.

Jennifer Lathen Falk '11 of Atchison passed away Saturday, May 21, 2022, at the age of 46.

Arias Demarco Lockheart '11 of the Las Vegas area, passed away May 22, 2021 at the age of 30.

# FRIENDS OF THE COLLEGE

Joyce Rush of Bendena passed away on April 10, 2022, at the age of 87.

Tim Schwegler of Kirksville, Missouri passed away on April 14, 2022.

Emmett Cole of Highland passed away on May 15, 2022. Richard 'Dick' Stahl of Troy passed away



# **ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP**

Whether you're joining the HCC Alumni Association for the first time, simply renewing your membership, or gifting a membership to a loved one, staying connected to HCC is guick and easy!

### LIFETIME MEMBER: \$150 (JOINT MEMBERSHIP: \$275)

- Receive an alumni car decal
- Membership card
- 10% off all purchases at the HCC bookstore for life
- 4x8 personalized brick (8x8 for the joint membership)
- Free entry to Highland Athletics



### GET YOUR LEGACY IN THE COURTYARD

**Proceeds support HCC Alumni Association Scholarships.** 

# PORTER FAMILY STADIUM COURTYARD BRICKS:

A brick courtyard was placed at the main entrance of the Porter Family Stadium as a celebration honoring alumni and friends of the College. Purchase a brick to personalize with your name, sport, activity, year, or as a memorial or gift.

4x8 BRICK: \$75
3-LINE INSCRIPTION

Up to three lines with 14 characters per line, including spaces & punctuation.

8x8 BRICK: \$125
6-LINE INSCRIPTION
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# HCC BY THE NUMBERS

STATISTICS FROM 2021-22



STUDENT GENDER RATIO

58 Percent **FEMALE** 

42 Percent MALE



**ENROLLED CREDIT HOURS** 

46,055

**AVERAGE CREDIT LOAD** 

8.39



3777 STUDENTS ENROLLED

### **347 GRADUATES**

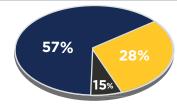


71 percent
Associate Degrees
29 percent
Technical Certificates



25 PERCENT Full-time

employees are



57 percent

9-county service area

28 percent

outside Kansas counties
15 percent

out-of-state





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# JOIN THE LEGACY

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a Scottie?

From the multiple locations of Highland Community College, you can go anywhere and begin pursuing any dream you choose. At Highland Community College (HCC), you're an integral part of an ever-expanding group that believes anything is possible. It's our goal to help you get there, and it's up to you to begin the journey.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT OUR ADMISSIONS TEAM!



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