



STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

WELCOME BACK FOR SPRING 2023! - BECKY GILMORE

We are so glad you are all back on campus! We missed you during the break!

Visit the SSS center often this semester to get “freebies”! We have free tutoring, free supplies such as notebooks, pens, pencils, Post-it notes, free personal hygiene products, free printing, free workshops, free food, and free advice!

SSS has planned transfer trips, cultural trips, an etiquette dinner, workshops with lunch provided, special activities for Valentine's Day and Easter, and many other fun events for you. Watch for emails and texts from SSS so you don't miss out.

A TIP FOR SUCCESS: To ensure success this semester attend every class and create a plan for studying. If you don't have a plan for how you will study, complete assignments, or when you will seek tutoring, set up a time to visit with one of our staff members and we will help you create a plan for this semester. When you break large tasks into smaller steps the big project does not seem so impossible. We are all here for you!

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Student Support Services Director



TRANSFER TIPS - KIM BECHTOLD

The start of a new year brings many different feelings and goals. For those of you planning to transfer next year, I'm sure that it's at the top of the list! In order to not get overwhelmed with the process, start by taking it one step at a time. Below is an example of what to get started on.

Research colleges

- Make sure the school has your intended major
- Look at the tuition cost
- Visit campus if you can
- Chat with an advisor

Begin filling out online applications

- SSS can help waive application fees to area schools, please see me before you apply

Complete the FAFSA and search for scholarships

- Make sure to add the new school's code
- Check school scholarship deadlines and begin searching for outside scholarships (many priority deadlines are February/March 1st)

Send your official HCC transcript

- Students can request an official transcript through MyHCC by clicking on the grades tab & requesting an official transcript or on our website through the National Student Clearing House
- Please email me at kbechtold@highlandcc.edu for step-by-step directions

Think about your housing plans

- Off-campus/On-campus?
- Complete housing contracts

SCHOLARSHIPS

Paying for college is expensive, so why not search for more ways to help pay? There are millions of outside scholarships but knowing where to look can be challenging. The best advice is to apply early and apply often. Treat applying for scholarships as your part-time job by setting aside time each day to apply.

If you haven't already sought out local scholarships through churches, clubs, parents' employers, or members of the community, this can be a great place to start! Take time to personalize your essays and use SSS tutors or Academic Specialist Renae Welch for proofreading and editing.

Top Scholarship websites: [Scholarships.com](https://www.scholarships.com) [Fastweb.com](https://www.fastweb.com) [Cappex.com](https://www.cappex.com) [Niche.com](https://www.niche.com) [Scholly.com](https://www.scholly.com)

TUTORING - ALEXANDER MOORE

How would you like to raise your GPA? Did you know students who receive tutoring are 86% more likely to graduate from college? Student Support Services provides tutoring to all SSS members FREE OF CHARGE!

You can find our wonderful tutors from 9am to 5pm above the bookstore in Irvin Hall, and from 5pm to 10pm in the Library!

In addition, we are fortunate to have Michelle Hurn, Instructor and Math Specialist, as well as Renae Welch, our Academic Specialist for English and Business, who can help!

Whether you want to acquire an A or dodge a D, SSS can help you! Interested in a study group? Visit our offices in Irvin Hall or reach out to us at SSS@highlandcc.edu! We are here to help, and want to see you succeed!

FRESH START - RENAE WELCH

A new semester has just begun, which means now is the perfect time to get to know your professors! They are your best ally if you run into issues with an assignment or if you don't understand what you need to do next. Remember your professors are on your side and an answer is often just an email or an office visit away!



TUTOR HIGHLIGHT: DAKOTA

Career Aspiration: Radiology & Sonography

Tutoring Specialties:

Psychology, Public Speaking, Comp 1 & 2,
Algebra, Ethics, Human Growth and
Development, Medical Terminology, Nutrition,
Physics, Child Psychology, & Human Physiology

Hometown: Moline, KS

UPCOMING EVENTS

1/31 Organization Workshop - 1pm

2/2 Transfer Trip to Washburn &
Frito Lay Tour (Topeka)

2/9 Transfer/Scholarship Workshop
*Lunch provided! 12:30pm

2/13-14 Valentine Card Making

3/1 Vision Board Workshop

*Workshops located
upstairs in Irvin Hall