

Monthly Newsletter

Call for upcoming newsletter content

If you have information, ideas for new content, fun facts, or PCC trivia, send them to Audra for inclusion in the next newsletter.

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Upcoming Dates

Mid-Term Week	3/6-10
Spring Break	3/13-17
Early Enrollment Begins	3/20
Board of Trustees Meeting	3/20
Performing Arts Spring Musical	3/31-4/2

See next page for more important dates!



EARLY ENROLLMENT

It's hard to believe another semester of learning is coming to a close soon. Details for the Commencement Ceremonies to be held at Dennis Lesh Sports Arena on Friday, May 12th at 1pm and 3pm will be made soon.

For students returning to PCC and new incoming students, Early Enrollment begins on Monday, March 20, 2023 after Spring Break.

Returning students may schedule an appointment with their advisor, and new students can begin the application process through Admissions. See page 3 for more information on Early Enrollment!

Beaver Building Days begin in April. Students and their families will be welcomed on campus to take care of all pertinent enrollment paperwork. It is a time to visit Residence Life, Financial Aid, the Registrar's office, Student Success and more. See page 4 for information on how to get registered!

MARCH 20, 2023

DAM GOOD FUTURE

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age or veteran status in its programs and activities. Complete notice can be found at http://prattcc.edu/notice

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MARCH IMPORTANT DATES

Mid-Term Week March 6-10

Spring Break March 13-17

Early Enrollment Begins March 20

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center March 20

Performing Arts - Spring Musical March 31, April 1, 2

APRIL + MAY A LOOK AHEAD

Good Friday - No Classes April 7

Faculty Workday - No Classes April 10

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center April 17

Beaver Building Day April 20

Awards & Recognition Ceremony April 25

EPT Beaver Building Day April 28

35th Annual Scholarship Auction May 5 @6pm

Performing Arts Choir and Jazz Concert May 7

Final Exams May 9, 10, 11

Commencement Ceremonies May 12 @1pm, 3pm

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center May 15

Memorial Day - Campus Closed May 29

For more upcoming dates and information, visit prattcc.edu/calendar





EARLY ENROLLMENT FOR FALL 2023 OPEN MARCH 20, 2023



<u>CURRENT STUDENTS</u> Meet with your advisor

<u>NEW STUDENTS</u> Apply at prattcc.edu/apply

For additional questions, contact: pccadmissions@prattcc.edu 620-450-2217



PREPARE FOR FALL

MEET WITH ADVISORS



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2023 DATES

APRIL 25 MAY 17 JUNE 13 JUNE 29 JULY 12

PLACEMENT TESTING AVAILABLE LOGIN & SET UP STUDENT ACCOUNT APPLY FOR HOUSING

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY! PRATTCC.EDU/BEAVERBUILDINGDAY





Registrar's Office Holds Graduation Fair

The time is near! The Registrar's Office held a Graduation Fair to support students as they completed the required steps to graduate in May 2023.

Financial Aid and Student Success were also on hand to assist students with transfer scholarships and scheduling exit exams. Students received a Pratt CC Graduate koozie once their paperwork was complete.

PCC will host two Commencement Ceremonies on Friday, May 12 at 1pm and 3pm. More details on the next page!





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MAY 12, 2023

DENNIS LESH SPORTS ARENA IN THE BENSON EDUCATION CENTER 348 NE SR 61

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PRATT, KS 67124



CEREMONY LIVE STREAM

gobeaversports.com/links/LiveBroadcasts

May 9-11 in the Benson Commons Area 1:00 - 4:00pm



PHOTOGRAPHY Official photos available for purchase at gradimages.com



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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS? Contact Registrar's Office 620-450-2221

WHERE DO I GO?

Graduates will report to a designated area 30 minutes prior to the ceremony. Processional details coming soon! Graduation regalia is required.

*Information subject to change

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Pratt CC Hosts Academic Olympics



Pratt CC welcomed 16 high schools and approximately 600 students to campus for the Academic Olympics event.

Students compete against other schools academically by taking tests, performing a task or submitting entries for judging in multiple categories. Subjects include Math, Science, English, Animal Science, Auto Mechanics, Art, Creative Writing, Vocal Solos and Duets and many others.

A Popsicle Bridge Contest was new for students this year. Students worked in teams to create a bridge with popsicle sticks on site. The bridges were then stresstested to see how much weight they could take before breaking.

Another new event was the Mousetrap Car Contest. Students built Mousetrap Cars in advance and were scored based on the longest distance traveled within the course boundaries in Dennis Lesh Sports Arena.

Students also did a Parts Identification exercise in the Automotive Technology shop, where multiple cars were also on display.



Academic Olympics continued...



Students received tickets for a free snack and drink at Beaver Bites cafe and many schools also ate lunch at Great Western Dining, the campus dining hall, before departing.

The top 3 schools earning the most points overall:

Division I

- Pratt High School 1st place
- Trinity Catholic High School 2nd place
- Central Christian School 3rd place

Division II

- Conway Springs High School-1st place
- Pretty Prairie High School- 2nd place
- Bucklin High School- 3rd place

View the top 3 placers in each category

It's always a big day with so many students on campus. Big thanks to PCC Communications and Journalism instructor Heather Wilson for spearheading the event, as well as the many faculty, staff and PCC student volunteers that help make it possible.

A big thank you also to the area schools for attending our Academic Olympics event, we love having you on campus!







View the full gallery of photos on our <u>Facebook page!</u>



Heather Wilson Communications and Journalism Instructor







Public Notice: Board of Trustees Vacancy

PUBLIC NOTICE PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 71-201

The Board of Trustees of Pratt Community College hereby gives public notice that a vacancy has occurred on the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees of Pratt Community College will appoint a qualified person using its approved selection process to fulfill the unexpired term at its regularly scheduled board meeting to be held at Pratt Community College, Riney Student Center on Marah 20, 2023.

Interested parties must file a Letter of Intent before March 17, 2023, with:

Clerk of the Board PCC Board of Trustees 348 NE SR 61 Pratt, KS 67124 Or email donnamp@prattcc.edu

For additional information pertaining to the position requirements contact:

Mike Koler PCC Board Chair 620-672-1807 Huskerskan1@yahoo.com Dr. Michael Calvert PCC President 620-450-2240 michaelc@prattcc.edu













PCC's Performing Arts students had a busy February. Encore performed a Valentine's Dinner and Show at The Back Door venue in Pratt.

Per PCC Drama and Theatre Instructor Misty Beck, "Super special thanks to Kyle and Julie Irvin and James Kiley for cooking a wonderful meal!! Tuesday we sang at the Country Club and for the Trinity Evangelical Church Valentine banquet! Finished up the Valentine's activities with a show at Parkwood Village! Big thanks to our friends there who are always an excellent audience!"

Students came to class dressed like instructor Jeff Herndon and Encore's apparel fundraiser for their annual Tennessee trip in May is well underway. View the many styles and place an order on the <u>Encore T-Shirt Company Facebook page!</u>

Photos: Misty Beck, PCC Drama and Theatre Instructor

ENCORE VALENTINES DINNER AND SHOW FEBRUARY 11 AT 6:30

The Front Porch 115 East Fourth \$20 per person rsvp to Misty at mistyb@prattcc.edu





Hot & Cold Towers. Lemon Park. Pizza Tacos. The Barron. Greenbacks. Thunderbirds. Beavers. Pratt.











Alumni Concert

October 9 2:30pm

November 6 2:30pm

Concert of Choirs

PCC Pratt High Skyline High PCC Kids

November 17 7:30pm



December 2 & 3 at 7:30pm December 4 at 2:30pm

Encore Finale

April 23 2:30pm

Jazy Concert

ISO SHOW

November 20 2:30pm

Valentines Dinner Show

February 12 6pm *Reservations required \$15 per person*



March 31, April 1 at 7:30pm April 2 at 2:30pm

Choir & Jazz Concert

May 7 2:30pm

All concerts and shows in Carpenter Auditorium and \$5 admission unless otherwise noted.



NOW AVAILABLE

DEADLINE APRIL 15

Male Only Scholarship







Female Only Scholarships



All PCC Graduates Scholarship



Questions? Email: <u>finaid@prattcc.edu</u> Phone: 620-450-2247



DENNIS LESH SPORTS ARENA DOORS OPEN 6:00PM DINNER 6:30-7:30PM LIVE AUCTION 8:00PM

ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TO SUPPORT PCC SCHOLARSHIPS

RESERVE A TABLE OR PURCHASE TICKETS CONTACT DONNA AT 620-450-2240 OR EMAIL DONNAMP@PRATTCC.EDU

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FOUNDATION



PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE CELEBRATE DIVERSITY TEAM

Women's History Month

Every March, people in the United States celebrate the achievements and history of women as part of Women's History Month.

How it started

Educators in Santa Rosa, California, first celebrated Women's History Week in March 1978 to increase awareness of women's contributions to society. Organizers selected a week in early March to correspond with International Women's Day on March 8. Over the next several years, other cities across the country joined Santa Rosa in celebrating Women's History Week.

In 1980, U.S. President Jimmy Carter declared the week of March 8 National Women's History Week, urging everyone in the United States to participate. According to Carter, "too often the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength, and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well."

The week-long event officially became a monthlong one in 1987 when Congress passed a resolution designating March as Women's History Month. Women's History Month has been celebrated in the United States every March since.

Who it honors

Among the notable figures often spotlighted during Women's History Month are Sacagawea, a Native American woman who helped make Lewis and Clark's expedition to map parts of the West in the early 19th century a success; Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony, who fought for equality for women in the mid-19th century, more than 70 years before the 19th Amendment gave women the right to vote in the United States in 1920;

Join Us

Harriet Tubman, a spy who led slaves to freedom during the Civil War; Amelia Earhart, one of the world's first female pilots (she mysteriously disappeared over the Pacific Ocean in 1937); Madeleine Albright, who became the first female Secretary of State in 1996; and Misty Copeland, the first African-American woman to be named a principal dancer—the highest level—in the 75-year history of the American Ballet Theatre in 2015.

Women's history month today

Since the first Women's History Week in 1978, other countries have joined the United States in honoring women and their contribution to history and culture, including Canada and Australia.

Each year the National Women's History Alliance chooses a theme for Women's History Month. Previous themes have included "Women Taking the Lead to Save Our Planet" (2009) and "Celebrating Women in STEM" (2013). The theme for 2020 and 2021 is "Valiant Women of the Vote." (Learn about the fight for the right to vote.) And the theme for 2023 is "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories."

Beyond the theme of the year, Women's History Month continues the discussion of women and their contributions through activities such as museum exhibits and film screenings, and by encouraging the study of achievements by women year-round.



Source: National Geographic https://kids. nationalgeographic. com/history/article/womens-history-month

CELEBRATE DIVERSITY TEAM EDUCATION | RESPECT VALUE | CULTURE

Contact Lisa Perez-Miller at lisam@prattcc.edu for more information.



Pratt Cheer Named Region VI Conference Champions



Congratulations to Pratt Cheer for being named Region 6 Conference Champions for Intermediate Large Coed in Olathe, KS!



Beaver Sports continued...

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Beavers Clinch the 2023 South Central District Team Championship



The Beaver wrestling team traveled to Chanute, KS to compete in the NJCAA South Central Wrestling Tournament on Saturday, February 11.

Last season, the Beavers finished second in this tournament and entered Saturday with something to prove having won their third straight conference championship two weeks prior.

Sports Continued.

They did just that by winning the 2023 South Central District Team Championship with a total score of 187 points. Coach Ken Kepley was named the 2023 South Central District Coach of the Year.

Tournament Results

125 | #10 Kaden Spragis loses by Technical Fall to #2 Jett Strickenberger of Northwest Tech 28-13. Kaden Spragis finishes second at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

133 | #2 Jason Henschel wins by Fall in the first period over #4 Thaddeus Long of Carl Albert State. Jason Henschel finishes first at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

141 | #9 Easton Taylor wins by Decision over Trenton Brown of Cowley Community College 12-8. Easton Taylor finishes first at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

149 | #9 Gabe Maki wins by Fall in the third period over Eric Cain of Colby Community College. Gabe Maki finishes first at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

157 | #3 Samajay Alboyd wins by Fall in the first period over Dylan Ancheta of Cloud Community College. Samajay Alboyd finishes 5th at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

165 | #6 Cayleb Atkins wins by Fall in the first period over Gabriel Bailey of Cloud Community College. Cayleb Atkins finishes first at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

174 | Christian Robinson loses by Decision to Melton Powe of Cowley Community College 3-0. Christian Robinson finishes second at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

184 | Blake Jouret wins by Fall in the second period over Wyatt Powell of Cloud Community College. Blake Jouret finishes 3rd at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

197 | Kaden Glass medically withdrew from the 2023 South Central District Championships. Glass finishes 6th at the 2023 South-Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier

285 | #1 Devon Dawson wins by Medical Forfeit over #6 Kale Schrader of Northeast Oklahoma. Devon Dawson finishes first at the 2023 South Central District Championships and is a 2023 NJCAA Wrestling National Qualifier



TRACK & CROSS COUNTRY

Beavers Have Record Breaking Weekend at Regional Meet



The Beaver track and field team traveled to the NJCAA Region VI Indoor Track and Field Championships February 17-18. Several school records were broken at the meet as well as several more student athletes qualifying for the NJCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships.

The highlight of the weekend was Branden Colglazier winning the Region VI and KJCCC West high jump title with a jump of 1.99m (6 feet and 6.3 inches).

<u>Women's Results:</u> Mackenzie McManis: Shot Put 8.64 m (farthest throw of the season) 22nd in Region 6 and 15th in KJCCC West

Jamaira Ross 5km- 19:10.51 (best time of the season) 5th overall in Region 6 in a NJCAA National Qualifying time. 4th in the KJCCC west 3km- 11:16.47 9th overall in the Region 6 and 5th in the KJCCC West.

Serenity Jackson 200m- 24.98 5th overall in region 6 and 4th overall in KJCCC West 400m- 56.49 (School Record/ Lifetime/ Season Best) Placed 3rd in Region 6 and 3rd in the KJCCC West

Mikayla Henry 60m- 8.04 for 17th in Region 6 and 8th in the KJCCC West 200m- 26.68 17th in region 6 and 9th in KJCCC West

See full competition results on **<u>GoBeaverSports.com</u>**



PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BASEBAL

Beavers Baseball Season Underway



Pratt recently traveled to Wilburton, OK to face Eastern Oklahoma State College in a three-game series. The team won the final game of the series 11-7. Before that the team traveled to McPherson College to face their junior varsity team and won 21-4.



Sports Continued..

"The biggest thing is when we play well and handle our business it doesn't really matter who we play," said Head Baseball Coach Todd Reller. "I think we have the ability to beat anybody, but if we don't handle our business we have the ability to lose to anybody. It's a matter of finding consistency and playing that way game to game."

This will be the last series before the Beavers start conference play on March 9 against Cloud County. To finish out the month of March the team will face Hutchinson, Garden City, and Barton. The team was projected to finish eighth in conference play this season.

"We build a tough non-conference schedule to prepare us for conference play. We do not want to go out and play easy opponents so we look for tough games that will prepare us," said Coach Reller. "That way when we step into conference play, we are playing our best baseball. It is one of the best junior college conferences for a reason. It is always a tough test, and we are going to have to go and surprise some people."

Last season, the Beavers faced Highland on the same weekend and won the series 3-1 with the only loss coming in game two 11-7 over the Scottes. The Scotties of Highland enter the four-game series sitting at 6-5 on the season. This season the Scotties have defeated Ottawa University (JV), Benedictine College (JV), Ellsworth, and Rock Valley. Over the past ten games, Pratt has led the series over the Scotties 6-4. Sergio Fierro leads the Scotties with a .433 batting average with 13 hits, nine runs, two home runs with eight RBIs over 10 games.

"They are a good opponent," said Coach Reller. "They always seem to play us in a tough series, and I know we have won a few series against them in the past few years, but at the same time they are close and tough games. It will come down to us playing clean baseball and being consistent and handling our business."



Beavers Back in Win Column with Win Over Indy



The Beaver men's basketball team traveled to Independence Community College on February 15 to face the Indy Pirates. Both teams entered the contest coming off losses in their previous matchups. Pratt took game one of the series back on December 12 71-70.

In the first ten minutes of play there were eight lead changes as Pratt held a one-point advantage 21-20 with 10:10 left to go in the half. In the last ten minutes of play there were six lead changes and four ties as Indy took a narrow 41-38 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The second half started in much the same way as the first; however, Pratt managed to grow a nine-point lead 59-50 by the 13:52 mark of the second half. The Beavers never gave the lead back to Indy as they pulled within one point with 8:26 left in the game. In addition, the Pirates pulled within two points several times throughout the second half but could never take back the lead. Pratt rolled to a 91-86 victory.

Sterling Young led the way with 32 points and seven assists. Chidiebere Obichere finished with a double double with 24 points and 12 rebounds. Quintin Metcalf had 10 points in the game. Pratt got outrebounded by three and turned the ball over 18 times throughout the game. They shot 56.1 percent from the field and 50 percent from the three-point arc.



Read more and see game stats at <u>GoBeaverSports.com</u>



Beaver Women's Basketball Fought Hard at Coffeyville



The Beaver women's basketball team traveled to Coffeyville on February 22nd to take on the Red Ravens. This was the second meeting between the two opponents with Pratt taking game one 69-57 in the Beaver Dome.

Coffeyville started out the game on a 13-6 run in the first five minutes of the game. With 1:56 left in the first quarter Pratt cut the Red Raven led to two 15-13. As time expired in the first quarter the Beavers tied the game up at 17 a piece. Pratt took their first lead of the game 19-17 in the first minute of the second quarter. The Beavers held a 29-21 lead with 5:20 left to go until halftime. They continued to lead 31-24 with three minutes left in the quarter. With 23 seconds left the Red Ravens pulled to within three 33-30 and made a last second shot to be down one at halftime 33-32.

The Red Ravens took the lead back at the 8:44 mark of the third quarter 36-35. Pratt was able to tie the game back up 38 all at the 7:39 mark. After three lead changes and one tie, the Red Ravens held onto their lead throughout the rest of the third quarter. Coffeyville was up 51-44 as the game entered the final quarter of play. With 8:40 left in the game, Coffeyville grew their lead to ten 56-46. The Red Ravens outscored Pratt 18-14 to roll to a 69-58 victory.

Princess Anderson led the team with 19 points. Isis Sanders had 16 points in the game. The Beavers continued to focus on ball control and only turned the ball over 10 times. They did, however, get outrebounded 49-36.

Read more and see game stats at <u>GoBeaverSports.com</u>



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OPEN POSITIONS:

- Admin Assistant to VP of Students/Enrollment Management
- Assistant Athletic Trainer
- Automotive Technology Instructor
- Bus Drivers
- Case Manager
- Custodian/Maintenance
- Clinical Adjunct Instructors--Allied Health
- Financial Aid Counselor
- KJCCC Commissioner
- Maintenance/HVAC/Plumbing & Electrical Specialist
- Office Assistant Student Services
- Payroll Accountant
- Social Media & Web Manager
- Vice President of Students & Enrollment Management
- Welding Instructor

APPLY: PRATTCC.EDU/EMPLOYMENT

If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Personnel, Pratt CommunityCollege, 348 NE SR 61, Pratt, KS 67124, 620.672.5641 ext. 139, Title IX/Section 504 Coordinator.

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