



PRATT

Community College



2020-2021 YEAR IN REVIEW

LOOK BACK AT 2021



PCC HONORS TWO PHI THETA KAPPA ALL-KANSAS SCHOLARS

PCC held a ceremony on campus to honor two Phi Theta Kappa All-Kansas Scholars, Cydney Larson and Alexia Torres. The students were selected by PCC faculty to represent the PCC's PTK chapter at the state level. PTK Advisor Jason Ratcliffe notes that students are selected based on outstanding academic achievement as well as accomplishments and services rendered outside the classroom. They were awarded a scholarship and recognized for outstanding achievement.

PCC HOST FIRST-EVER INAUGURAL BEAVER CLASSIC

Pratt's Track & Field program christened the school's new track/soccer complex by hosting the first-ever Beaver Classic. Simply hosting an event of such a magnitude was a win for Pratt Community College, but the performances of the Beavers' track athletes elevated the day to further heights. 16 area teams competed in the Beaver Classic at the new facility, bringing numerous athletes and spectators to the Pratt community for the day.



SEVEN BEAVERS IN TRACK CLAIM ALL-AMERICAN STATUS AT NJCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

PCC Track & Field program elevated its status not only in the KJCCC, but in the eyes of the nation as well. Seven of PCC's athletes saw their work pay off in All-American currency. Tebogo Maseema, Kashawn Baptiste, Marvin Jean-Francois, Mark Emillien, Jamaal Morris Jr., Zach McPhee and Greg Curry claimed All-American status during the NJCAA Championships.

WRESTLING AWARDED NINTH-CONSECUTIVE NJCAA ACADEMIC TEAM OF THE YEAR & WIN FIRST EVER KJCCC TITLE

History hung in the balance as the second-ranked Beavers were not only chasing the program's first-ever undefeated dual record, but wins over Colby and Labette also meant Pratt Community College would become conference champions, another first for the program. Approaching nearly a decade of consistent performance, the Pratt wrestling program was named the NJCAA's Academic Team of the Year, an honor bestowed upon the program with the highest team GPA in its respective sport.



PCC ANNOUNCES THE RETURN OF MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS AND A SUCCESSFUL FIRST SEASON

The return of the Men's and Women's Tennis program was announced in April 2021. Coach Jeret Johnson was named head coach soon thereafter, and the men's team began competing in Fall 2021. The Beavers finished a successful first season with two doubles teams ranked in the top 25 teams in the nation by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA).

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CHEER WINS INTERMEDIATE SMALL COED OPEN DIVISION AT NATIONALS

The PCC cheerleading squad just brought home one of the prestigious awards in the program's history. PCC placed 2nd overall in the Intermediate Small Coed Open Division in Daytona, FL with a total performance score of 92.31. Coach Napier described what it took to get there, for herself and for her athletes. "It takes a special group to operate at this level all season and this team had its rough moments but put in the work even when they didn't feel like it and it paid off. They are one of the few teams that get to experience what it's like to place on the national stage. The feeling is indescribable, and the enjoyment is incomparable."

WOMEN'S SOCCER SETS TEAM RECORD FOR PROGRAM WINS, RUNNER UP IN KJCCC STANDINGS

The Beaver women's soccer team had an exciting season with well-attended competitions. The team won a program record of 12 wins, also finishing as runner-up in the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference (KJCCC) for the second straight year. The league also announced the Division II women's soccer post season honors. Three players were named to the All-KJCCC First Team. Sophomores Amaya Meyers, Jada Lopez, and Svenja Arnold were all recognized. Three players were named to the All-KJCCC Honorable Mention including sophomore Quemberli Merida and freshman Natalia Richartz and Jade Massing.

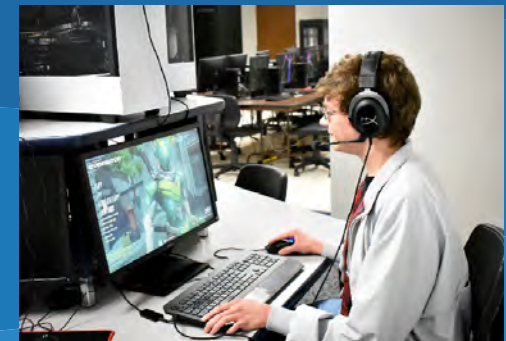


ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION HELD VIRTUALLY

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, PCC held the annual Scholarship Auction as a virtual event. Auction sponsors and donors made this virtual event another success, with 100% of the money raised going back to the students. The auction goal was \$60,000 and PCC was able to raise \$55,804 which is 93% of that goal. PCC President, Dr. Calvert thanked Barry Fisher and Donna Meier Pfeifer for their hard work and dedication to this event.

ESPORTS BECOMES NJCAA SANCTIONED EVENT

Competitive, organized gaming, also known as eSports, got an upgrade. It is now an NJCAA-sanctioned activity at Pratt Community College under the Athletics department. eSports Head Coach Chris Nelson sees it as a welcome sign of the times, due to the unprecedented growth of the sport and its integration of the collegiate environment. They are a welcome addition into the Beaver Athletics family.



MISS KANSAS AND MISS KANSAS OUTSTANDING TEEN HELD AT PCC

Campus was bustling with excitement as the 2021 Miss Kansas and Miss Kansas Outstanding Teen competitions began this summer. Preliminaries and final competitions were held at the Dennis Lesh Sports Arena for Miss Kansas and Carpenter Auditorium for Miss Kansas Outstanding Teen. Congratulations to Taylor Clark, 2021 Miss Kansas and Grace Henderickson, 2021 Miss Kansas Outstanding Teen!

Picture Credit: Miss Kansas Organization



TRACK & SOCCER COMPLEX, LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

The Track and Soccer Complex (TSC) Management Committee released a letter to the Pratt community regarding new facility funding, construction and use. The TSC Management Committee is comprised of representatives from Pratt Community College and the City of Pratt, appointed by the stakeholders of the TSC. The funding, creation, management and ongoing maintenance of the TSC is a project of great complexity and magnitude, with several moving parts. The joint statement was created for the purpose of disseminating accurate information to the community regarding the TSC.

PARTNERSHIP WITH BARTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ADN NURSING PROGRAM, LPN PROGRAM EXPANDS TO HYBRID FORMAT

The Kansas State Board of Nursing (KBSN) approved a proposal for Pratt Community College to partner with Barton Community College for the delivery of the Associate Degree of Nursing (ADN) program on the PCC campus. Final approval from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) is expected in March 2022. PCC also obtained approval to expand the Practical Nursing (LPN) program into a synchronous-hybrid learning format for Fall 2022.



WOMEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL COMING TO BEAVER NATION

Pratt Community College was notified by the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) that it was awarded a \$10,000 grant towards establishing Women's Flag Football as a competitive sport. The grant is part of a major initiative sponsored by the National Football League (NFL) in promoting the emerging sport. The Board of Trustees approved the addition of Women's Flag Football for the 2022-23 school year and Zac Rambo was named head coach of the new program.

MEN'S SOCCER WINS REGIONAL VI CHAMPIONSHIP

The men's soccer program has won their first ever division two Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference (KJCCC) regular season championship with an overall record of 7-6 and a conference record of 5-3. In addition to winning the conference championship the Beavers clinched the first seed in the regional playoffs which secured home field advantage throughout the playoffs.



KBOR FILM CREW VISIT EPT PROGRAM

A Cox Media crew was on the Pratt Community College campus filming on behalf of the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) to showcase energy-related technical training and careers. PCC's Electrical Power Technology (EPT) program students were training on the "pole farm" with program Director Dave Campbell and instructor Jeff Hoffman. The promotional videos will be released by KBOR in 2022.

THANK YOU BEAVER NATION FOR MAKING 2021 ONE OF THE BEST YEARS YET!