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Pratt Community College Monthly Newsletter

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Call for upcoming newsletter content

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

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PCC Campus will be closed July 4



We can't wait to welcome you back to campus for an exciting new semester full of learning, growth, and unforgettable experiences! The Fall 2025 semester kicks off on August 19, with Move-In Day happening on August 17—mark your calendars and get ready!

This semester, we're encouraging every student to get involved, stay motivated, and aim high. Whether you're a returning student or just starting your journey at PCC, your success matters to us! The Student Success Center is here to support both your academic goals and personal growth. Through a caring, case-management approach, we're ready to help you tackle challenges, build better habits, and make the most of your college experience.

But it's not all studying and schedules—Student Life at PCC is buzzing with awesome events, clubs, and activities! From leadership opportunities to social events, there's always something happening. No matter your interests, there's a club, organization, or group waiting for you to join and thrive.

Let's make 2025-2026 one to remember—Get ready to show up, get involved, and go Beavers!

Quote of the Month

It will be celebrated with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other.

- John Adams

July 2025

Important dates

Independence Day Holiday - Campus Closed
July 4th

EPT Beaver Building Day
July 8th

Last Day to Withdraw from Full Session Courses
July 11th

Beaver Building Day
July 17th

Last Day to Withdraw from 2nd Session Courses
July 19th

August 2025

A look ahead

Staff & Faculty In-Service and Preparation
August 11-15

State of the College Address
August 11th @ 9am

Residence Hall Check-in
August 17th - New to PCC: 9am-1pm
Returning to PCC: 1pm-4pm

Registration Day
August 18th - 9am-5pm

Student Orientation - Carpenter Auditorium
August 18th - 7:00-8:30pm

Fall Semester Classes Begin
August 19th

Labor Day - Campus Closed
September 1st

RECOGNITION

Pratt Community College designated an “Opportunity College”

Pratt Community College (PCC) was recently designated an “Opportunity College”. In April 2025, the Carnegie Foundation and the American Council on Education announced the new Student Access and Earnings Classification, a unique approach to describing the contributions of postsecondary institutions nationwide. This classification compares similar institutions across the country, identifying whether they provide access to students in communities they serve, and whether those students go on to successful, wealth-generating careers in the regions where they live and work.

Pratt Community College was one of two Kansas Community Colleges to earn both the higher access and higher earnings rankings in this new classification system. Overall, there are just under 1,200 community colleges across the country with 60 of these that achieved similar rankings. “This puts PCC in great company” stated PCC President, Dr. Michael Calvert, Pratt Community College has historically earned outstanding student outcomes especially when it comes to completion rates and our students starting in great careers that pay well.” Calvert elaborated further, “each year our students that complete PCC Programs are at or near the top wage earners when compared to the other 18 community colleges in Kansas. In fact, each year for the past decade, the average completer at PCC earns more with an associate degree or certificate than the average bachelor's degree graduate from the state universities within Kansas. So, this recognition further validates the great work that PCC Faculty and support staff do in helping students be successful.

CARNEGIE CLASSIFICATION OF INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION®

The Carnegie Classifications of Institutions of Higher Education are the nation's leading framework for categorizing diverse U.S. higher education institutions.



PERFORMING ARTS

Summer Theatre Camp

With just over a month to go before Fall 2025 classes begin, things are usually quiet on campus. But for two exciting weeks in June, PCC was filled with energy, music, and the joyful sounds of children during our annual Summer Music Theatre Camp, hosted by the Performing Arts department.

This year's production, *The Jungle Book, KIDS*, brought together a wonderful group of young performers. Campers ranging from age 3 through fifth grade spent their days learning songs, staging scenes, and diving into character roles—supported by dedicated middle school, high school, college, and adult volunteers. Older students took on lead roles, with younger campers joining in to bring the story to life.

In total, the camp welcomed around 135 campers, making this the 14th summer theatre production of its kind here at PCC.

In addition to rehearsals, campers enjoyed a variety of fun and enriching activities, including crafts, science projects, movie time, and more. The experience wrapped up with a heartwarming performance of *The Jungle Book, KIDS*, showcasing all the hard work and creativity that filled those two weeks.

It was a joy to have the campers on campus, and we're so grateful to everyone who helped make this summer's camp such a roaring success!



Introducing

MISS KANSAS 2025

EMILY RUGG



**PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE THANKS ALL THE
CANDIDATES, VOLUNTEERS AND GUESTS FOR A GREAT
EVENT ON OUR CAMPUS.**

**VISIT MISSKANSAS.ORG FOR
MORE INFORMATION**

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2025-2026

Fall Start Information

Registration & Enrollment

Complete any registration, enrollment, advising, or placement testing on August 18th from 9am - 5pm.

If you still need to enroll:

First-time students please contact Admissions. 620-450-2217 or pccadmissions@prattcc.edu

Returning students contact your advisor or the Student Success Center. 620-450-2156 or ssc@prattcc.edu

Payment & Billing

Payment plans can be set up in your Self-Service account.

Instructions and details can be found at www.prattcc.edu/paymentplan.

Contact the Business Office for assistance - 620-450-2143 or BusinessOffice@prattcc.edu

Residence Halls

Residence halls will open August 17th at 9am.

Check-in begins in the south parking lot, if required paperwork is complete students will be cleared to advance to the residence halls. Limited offices will be open to finalize paperwork.

Room assignments will be sent out mid-july. Please DO NOT go directly to the residence halls.

Please contact Residence Life for assistance - 620-450-2120 or residencelife@prattcc.edu

Student Orientation

Students join us for the 2025-2026 Student Orientation!

Students will be required to either attend or watch via link if not on campus. Students will get oriented to the campus and meet faculty and staff..

- Monday, August 18, 2025 • 7:00 - 8:30pm • Carpenter Auditorium

Fall Semester Start Dates

Classes start August 19th on the Pratt Main Campus. Check your class schedule in Self-Service for start dates at other campuses or Online as they may differ.

EDUKAN:

Session 1: August 25 (16 weeks)

Session 2: August 25 (8 weeks)

Session 3: September 8 (12 weeks)

Session 4: September 29 (8 weeks)

Session 5: October 20 (8 weeks)



IMPORTANT

Contacts!

ADMISSIONS

Phone: (620) 450-2217

Email: pccadmissions@prattcc.edu

Location: PCC Benson Education Center
Office #51

BUSINESS OFFICE

Phone: (620) 450-2134

Email: businessoffice@prattcc.edu

Location: PCC Benson Education Center
Office #37B

BOOK STORE

Phone: (620) 450-2176

Email: krystala@prattcc.edu

Location: Riney Student Center

FINANCIAL AID

Phone: (620) 450-2247

Email: finaid@prattcc.edu

Location: PCC Benson Education Center
Office #53 (Beaver Dome)

REGISTRAR

Phone: (620) 450-2221

Email: registrar@prattcc.edu

Location: PCC Benson Education Center
Office #77 (Basement)

RESIDENCE LIFE

Phone: (620) 450-2120

Email: residencelife@prattcc.edu

Location: PCC Benson Education Center
Office #77 (Basement)

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

Phone: (620)-450-2156

Email: ssc@prattcc.edu

Location: PCC Benson Education Center
Office #55 (Beaver Dome)



PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THE COST *of college!*

2025-2026

COST INFORMATION

KANSAS RESIDENT

TUITION = \$76 PER CREDIT HOUR
FEES* = \$63 PER CREDIT HOUR

*AN ADDITIONAL \$50 FEE IS REQUIRED FOR NON-PRATT COUNTY RESIDENTS PER SEMESTER IF ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS

NON-KANSAS RESIDENT

TUITION = \$92 PER CREDIT HOUR
FEES* = \$63 PER CREDIT HOUR

*AN ADDITIONAL \$100 FEE IS REQUIRED PER SEMESTER IF ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

TUITION = \$122 PER CREDIT HOUR
FEES* = \$63 PER CREDIT HOUR

*AN ADDITIONAL \$150 FEE IS REQUIRED PER SEMESTER IN IF ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS

ONLINE COURSES

PRATT ONLINE RATES

KS RESIDENT = \$139 PER CREDIT HOUR
NON-KS RESIDENT = \$155 PER CREDIT HOUR
INTERNATIONAL = \$185 PER CREDIT HOUR

EDUKAN = \$150 PER CREDIT HOUR



COLLEGE START/HIGH SCHOOL

GENERAL EDUCATION & ACADEMIC CLASSES

TUITION = \$98 TUITION AND FEE PER CREDIT HOUR

*ATTENDANCE COURSE FEES MAY BE REQUIRED.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL CLASSES

TUITION AND REGULAR FEES ARE WAIVED FOR CTE COURSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AS PART OF STATE OF KANSAS EXCEL IN CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION INITIATIVE. SPECIAL FEES ARE NOT COVERED

SPECIAL FEES

ACCUPLACER TESTING	= NO FEE
ADDITIONAL TESTS	= \$10
TECHNOLOGY FEE	= \$150 PER SEMESTER
(AUTOMOTIVE, WELDING AND EPT PROGRAMS)	
CERAMICS I & II	= \$25 PER SEMESTER
WOO LAB FEE	= \$25 PER CREDIT HOUR
CDL DRIVING FEE	= \$1,500
TRANSCRIPTS	= \$12.65
*ATTENDANCE COURSE FEES MAY BE REQUIRED.	



HOME OF THE BEAVERS

WELCOME
to the dam!

HOUSING & FOOD

WOJCIECHOWSKI HALL

19 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$7,878
SEMESTER = \$3,939

14 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$7,598
SEMESTER = \$3,799

10 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$7,312
SEMESTER = \$3,656

NORTH & SCHOLARSHIP HALL

19 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$6,906
SEMESTER = \$3,453

14 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$6,622
SEMESTER = \$3,311

10 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$6,340
SEMESTER = \$3,170

BECK, NOVOTNY & PORTER HALL

19 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$6,080
SEMESTER = \$3,040

14 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$5,799
SEMESTER = \$2,900

10 MEALS PER WEEK

FULL YEAR = \$5,515
SEMESTER = \$2,758

COSTS SHOWN ABOVE ARE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST DOLLAR. *SINGLE ROOM IS AN ADDITIONAL \$1,000.00 PER YEAR

ESTIMATED TOTAL COST PER YEAR

BASED ON 34 CREDIT HOURS

	<u>KS RESIDENT</u>	<u>NON-KS RESIDENT</u>	<u>INTERNATIONAL</u>
TUITION	\$2,584	\$3,128	\$4,148
GENERAL FEES	\$2,142	\$2,142	\$2,142
NON-PRATT COUNTY FEE	\$100	\$200	\$300
HOUSING & FOOD*	\$6,622	\$6,622	\$6,622
BOOKS & SUPPLIES	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
APPROXIMATE TOTAL	\$12,948	\$13,592	\$14,712

*BASED ON 14 MEAL PLAN IN NORTH & SCHOLARSHIP. RATES DIFFER BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT HOUSING & FOOD OPTIONS.

ONLINE PAYMENT PLAN

PAYMENT PLANS ARE AVAILABLE IN THREE, FOUR AND FIVE INSTALLMENTS. TO FIND OUT ABOUT OUR ONLINE PAYMENT PLAN OPTIONS, PLEASE VISIT: PRATTCC.EDU/PAYMENTPLAN

FOR MORE ABOUT COST INFORMATION, VISIT PRATTCC.EDU/COST

*COST INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

at PCC

APPLY NOW

ACADEMIC AND DEPARTMENTAL

- Agriculture
- Art
- Liberal Arts
- Auto Technology
- Biology/Science
- Business/Accounting
- Education
- Electrical Power Technology
- Information Network Technology
- Skyland Grain
- Welding Technology
- Wildlife Outfitting & Operations

ATHLETIC AND ACTIVITY

- Basketball (Men's and Women's)
- Baseball
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- eSports
- Rodeo
- Soccer (Mens and Women's)
- Softball
- Tennis (Men's and Women's)
- Track and Field
- Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Flag Football
- Performing Arts
- Shooting Sports

KANSAS RESIDENTS

- [Presidential Above and Beyond Scholarship](#)
- [Kansas Promise Scholarship](#)

PRATT COUNTY SENIOR GRANT

The Pratt County High School Graduate Grant is a full-tuition scholarship for students who have graduated from a Pratt County High School. Students must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

FOUNDATION

[PCC Foundation Scholarships](#) are awarded to new and continuing students based on academic excellence, leadership, intended major of study, service, talent, financial need, and any criteria required by the scholarship donor. These scholarships are not applied for, but selected based on criteria.

TRANSFER

[PCC Transfer Scholarships](#) are endowed funds set up for graduating students who intend to continue their education. A variety of scholarships are available. Transfer Scholarships applications are available during the Spring semester each year to graduating students through the eCentral portal.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

- [Earn As You Learn Scholarship](#)

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

- Bonnie Dudrey Memorial Scholarship
- Faculty Scholarship

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Learn more on our website:
prattcc.edu/scholarships

*Scholarship information is subject to change

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
BEAVER
Building Days

PREPARE FOR FALL 2025
& Choose your session

Only 2 days left to choose from

JULY

**8th-EPT
17th**

SIGN UP NOW!!

LEARN ABOUT STUDENT SERVICES,
MEET WITH ADVISORS



and **REGISTER FOR CLASSES**

PRATT
Community College


CHECK OUT OUR SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Deadlines:

- General Scholarships - August 1
- Presidential Above & Beyond - March 31

Contact Financial Aid

 prattcc.edu/scholarships

 620-450-2247



LET'S CELEBRATE

JULY 4TH SINCE 1776

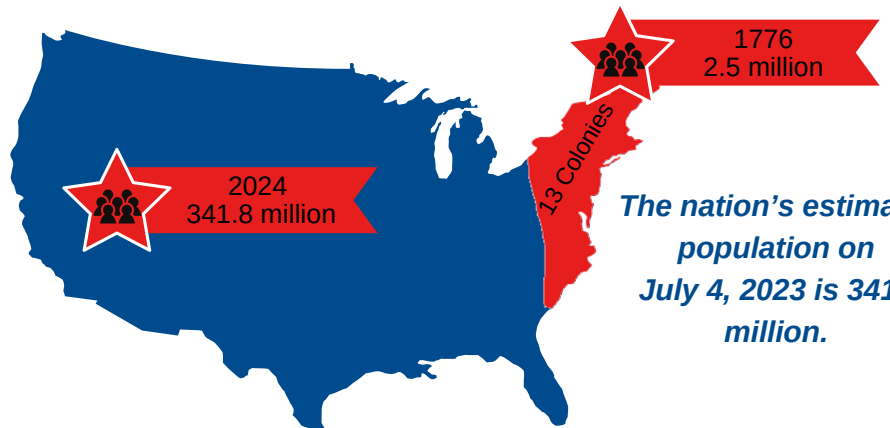
INDEPENDENCE DAY

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT OUR NATION'S BIRTHDAY

The Declaration of Independence **BY THE NUMBERS**

- 56** Number of signers to the Declaration of Independence.
- 70** Age of the oldest signer, Benjamin Franklin (age 70)
- 26** Age of the youngest signer, Edward Rutledge (age 26)
- 1** The first signer, John Hancock, President of the Second Continental Congress.

In July 1776, the estimated number of people living in the newly independent nation was 2.5 million.



On the Fourth of July, the Declaration of Independence's adoption is celebrated. Although Congress first adopted it on July 2, 1776, the final version was revised and approved two days later. John Adams, America's second president, thought that July 2nd should have been recognized as Independence Day rather than July 4th.



July 4, 1777

Philadelphia celebrated the first anniversary with an official dinner for the Continental Congress. Ships in Boston, Baltimore, Savannah, Charleston, Norfolk, and New York City harbors were decked with red, white, and blue bunting.

July 4, 1801

The first official Fourth of July party was held at the White House.



July 4, 1826

John Adams, the second president, and Thomas Jefferson, the third president both signatories of the Declaration of Independence 50 years prior, died hours apart on July 4, 1826



July 4, 1870

It took nearly 100 years for Congress to make the Fourth of July an official holiday.





Athletics

2024-2025



BEAVER TENNIS

Pratt Tennis Announces Fall 2025 Schedule

The Pratt Community College tennis program, led by Head Coach Jeret Johnson, is excited to unveil the Fall 2025 schedule for both the men's and women's teams. This season promises plenty of competitive action, with the men set to compete in three matches and three tournaments, and the women scheduled for four matches and three tournaments.

The women's team kicks off the season at home on September 4, facing off against Sterling College's varsity and JV squads. Just a few days later, on September 9, both the men's and women's teams will take the court at home against Bethel College.


From there, the Beavers hit the road, traveling to Topeka for the Washburn Invitational on September 12–13. Later in the month, they'll head to Arkansas City to compete in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Fall Regionals, a major event on the fall tennis calendar.

Back on their home courts, the teams will take on Friends University's JV teams on September 23.


On October 3, PCC will host a JV home tournament, featuring matchups with Seward County and Bethany College. The Fall season wraps up with the 2nd Annual Doubles Tournament, hosted by PCC on October 10–11.

Coach Johnson is optimistic about the upcoming season: "We are excited to get the season underway," he said. "We have some really solid leaders in our sophomore class and some studs in the freshman class coming in."

Be sure to come out and support the Beavers this fall as they bring energy and talent to the courts!



2025 TENNIS SCHEDULE



09.04	VS STERLING (VAR AND JV, WOMEN)
09.09	VS BETHEL
09.12–13	WASHBURN TOURNAMENT
09.18–20	ITA REGIONALS
09.23	VS FRIENDS (JV MEN & WOMEN)
10.03	HOME TOURNAMENT JV VS SEWARD & BETHANY
10.10–11	HOME DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

AWAY**HOME**

#DefendtheDam