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A Word From the Director

Welcome back students. I hope your fall semester went well and that your spring semester is filled with great accomplishments!

The AES Program has some great educational and fun activities planned for the spring 2012 semester. All AES Participants are encouraged to attend as many activities as possible. You can find information regarding activities in this newsletter as well as on the AES Bulletin Board located in our new office in room 140 in the Beaver Painted Lodge.

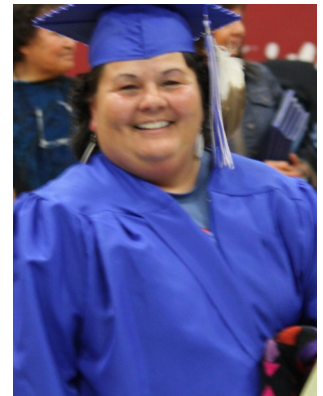
College can open up doors and create opportunities for

students but it can also be a busy and stressful time in your life. Keeping up with your homework, keeping track of deadlines, applying for scholarships, and juggling family obligations can be difficult. There is no need to do it all on your own. The AES staff is here to help in any way they can. Studies show that those students who reach out for help before they become overwhelmed are much more successful than students who wait until things get out of control.

Feel free to stop by our offices or the Learning Center if you have any questions, need assistance or just

want to say hi. Remember, your education is an investment in your future and we are here to help you make your dreams come true!

Angela Johnson,
AES Director



A Word from the Learning Center.

Hi everyone! My name is Connie Hipp. I am the Learning Center Coordinator. The Learning Center is part of the Academic Enrichment Services Program. The Learning Center provides free tutoring to individuals and groups in math, English, reading, natural and social sciences, and study skills. Peer Tutors are available during the academic year. The Learning Center houses 20 internet accessible computers that can be

used for research, homework, applying for scholarships, filling out the FAFSA application and checking e-mail. We are located in the Beaver Painted Lodge, next to the Student Commons.

We just finished two weeks of Compass testing. We had 57 new students testing this semester!!!!!! Our tutors are Krystal Red Cloud, Waylon DeRoche, and Brendon Gobert.

If you need a tutor for math, science, or any subject, come in the Learning Center. Our hours are Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Our tutor schedule is posted in the Learning Center.

Come and Check out the Center!!!!!!!



“Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.”

Harriet Tubman



Critical Inquiry Team
AIHEC 2011

Important BCC Dates

1st Day of Classes	Jan. 9, 2012
Bear River Commemoration	Jan. 23, 2012
Last day to add	Jan. 23, 2012
Last day to drop w/o “W”	Jan. 30, 2012
MT College Circuit Fair	Feb. 14, 2012
All Chief’s Day (Closed)	Feb. 20, 2012
FAFSA & Higher Ed Due	Feb. 28, 2012
Mid-terms	Mar. 12-15, 2012
Spring Break	Mar. 19-23, 2012
Last Day to Withdraw	Apr. 20, 2012
Closed for Easter	Apr. 6-9, 2012
Fall Pre-Registration	Apr. 23-27, 2012
Finals Week	Apr. 30 to May 3 2012
Grades Due	May 4, 2012
Graduation	May 9, 2012



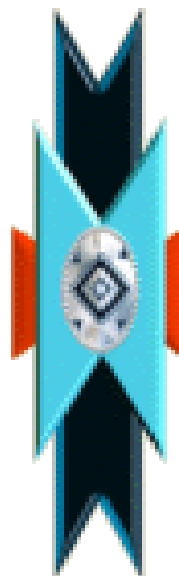
FAFSA/Higher Ed Time!!!

Remember to file your FAFSA and Blackfeet Higher Education applications by the March 1st deadline. You can file your FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Students must file a new FAFSA and Higher Education application each year. You will need your tax information or income statements for 2011. You can also estimate your income if you have not filed your taxes yet.

For FAFSA assistance, you can attend College Goal Sunday on February 12th in the BCC Student Commons. Also, feel free to stop by the Learning Center or ask one of the AES staff members for help.

KUDOS

The AES Department would like to commend the young gentlemen and Mr. Clement Valandra who assisted staff, students and the public during the ice day. A special thanks to Ms. Arron LaFromboise and Cheryl MadMan for helping the student who was injured. We appreciate your positive and caring attitude toward others. Keep Up The Good Work!!



Choosing Your College Major

So, What Are You Going to Do With Your Life?

Some students start college knowing exactly what they want to major in. Others don't know what to major in, or have a career goal but don't know which majors will get them there. And in fact, most students find themselves switching majors during college.

As you think about which major is right for you, remember that uncertainty is normal. The process of choosing a major — and discovering something that you are passionate about — can be an exciting one.

What is a college major?

A major is simply a specific subject that students can specialize in. Typically, between a third and a half of the courses you take in college are in your major or related to it. By completing a major, you demonstrate sustained, high-level work in one field; and in some majors, you prepare for a specific career.

Depending on the college, you might be able to major in two fields, have a major and a mi-

nor, or even create your own major.

When should I declare a major?

At most four-year colleges, you aren't required to declare a major until the end of your sophomore year. If you're in a two-year degree program, you'll probably select a major at the start because your course of studies is much shorter.

How do I choose?

Take courses in areas that appeal to you, and then try to focus on a subject that motivates you. Make sure that you have genuine interest, though. You'll do better in class when you're interested, and your motivation will continue through college and into a job.

What if I want to go to grad school?

If you think law school, medical school or grad school is in your future, you should know that some colleges offer preprofessional advising programs (such as premed or prelaw). These programs are not the same as majors — you still need to choose a major in another sub-

ject. As long as you fulfill a grad school's course requirements, it really doesn't matter what you major in.

Will my major dictate my profession?

Sometimes. If you specialize in something like nursing, accounting or engineering, you're learning a specific trade and will likely continue with that. Most majors, however, prepare you for a range of careers that you can be trained to handle once you graduate. For most students, picking a college major is not the same as picking a career. It will be up to you to pursue what you like.

Remember, you're not alone. Choosing a major is usually done with the help of academic and peer advisers.



Bear River Massacre Commemoration 2012

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO WIN A FREE LUNCH OR TWO?!!!

SHOW UP FOR CLASS YOU MIGHT JUST GET A FREE LUNCH FROM THE BCC SNACK SHOP!

Separate Drawing will be held for English 108 & 109, TCC 101 and Math 100, 101, 110 & 111

Drawing dates are the week of:
Jan. 26
Feb. 26
March 29
April 26
May 3

Sponsored by BCC-LEAP Wisdom of the People Project

Montana Tribal College Circuit Fair

The Circuit Fair is brought to this institution compliments of the Montana Post-Secondary Educational Opportunities Council (MPSEOC). This is the third year we were fortunate enough to collaborate with the MPSEOC on this exciting opportunity for the BCC students and community.

Please join me in spreading the word to the students & community members. There will be door prizes throughout the afternoon, in addition to one lucky student winning a \$500.00 scholarship. Hope to see everyone in attendance.

The date is February 14, 2012 from 9:30 AM to 1:00

PM.

Sincerely,

Glenda Gilham

Interim AES Academic Coordinator



Winter 2011



Spring Semester 2012 Tutor Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Krystal Red Cloud	9:00 to 1:00	10:00 to 1:00	9:00 to 12:00	3:00 to 4:00	9:00 to 1:00
Brendon Gobert	8:00 to 1:00	8:00 to 1:00	8:00 to 1:00	8:00 to 1:00	N/A
Waylon DeRoche	1:00 to 4:00	1:00 to 4:00	1:00 to 4:00	12:00 to 3:00	1:00 to 4:00

AES Spring Activities & Dates (Stop by Our Offices for more information)

Do What you Love, Love what you do	Wed Feb. 8, 2012
College Goal Sunday	Sun. Feb. 12, 2012
Tribal College/Career Fair Circuit	Tue. Feb. 14, 2012
Beading Workshop	Wed. Feb. 15, 2012
Financial Aid/Higher Ed Scholarship Deadline	Thu. Mar. 1, 1012
The Great BCC Bake Off	Wed. Mar. 7, 2012
Team Student Reports Due	Tue. Apr. 17, 2012
BCC Talent Show	TBA
AES Participant Drawing	Thu. Apr. 26, 2012



**“No man was ever wise by chance.”
Seneca**



Every day do something that will inch you closer to a better tomorrow.
Doug Firebaugh

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Billie Jo Kipp , Ph.D. and M.A. of Clinical Psychology , B.S. of Counseling Psychology, A.A.S. of Chemical Dependency Counseling, is now the President of the Blackfeet Community College. Dr. Kipp moved from the University of Mexico on Sunday the 30th of October, and started work at BCC on the 1st of November.

Born here on the Blackfeet Reservation, Kipp says “this is always home, I have looked throughout my career for a way to come back home. There is not a lot of recruitment here in Browning for Ph.D.'s, so when the job was vacant for this position I was happy to apply and get the job.”

“I think this school has a lot of potential, it has done some phenomenal things. I want to challenge the academics further and establish some four year degrees.” said Kipp. ”I am looking forward to learning more about B.C.C. .”

“I want to get more research grants for sciences, and I feel that we will be more visible to the community. Our students will have a readied path to gain employment. I am very honored to be a part of the Blackfeet students education.” Said Kipp.

Meet the New BCC President

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