



## **SBCCOE Report – August 2022**

**Dr. Lance Bolton, President**

### **TRANSFORM THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE**

- **Lockhead Martin Vocational Scholarship Recipient**

Three students from Pikes Peak State College have been selected as Recipients of the 2022 Lockheed Martin Vocational Scholarship. Recipients receive \$5000 towards their studies in Advanced Manufacturing, Computer Science, Engineering, or Mechanic/Repair Technologies.

Congratulations to Matthew Maitland, Mechanic and Repair Technologies-HVAC, Marrisa Phillips, Engineering Technology-Electronics Manufacturing, and Scott Watkins, Computer & Information Sciences-Cyber Security.

*Rob Hudson, Dean of Business, Public Service, & Social Sciences*

- **Senior Division Grand Award**

Congratulations to concurrent student Nicholai Hagemann for winning First Place and the Senior Division Grand Award at the Pikes Peak Regional Science Fairs for his chemistry research project. This won him an invitation to both the state and the International Science Fair.

- **Concrete Coyote**

As a service-learning project at Concrete Coyote, PPSC's Outdoor Leadership students Nichole Conklin, Michael Cooke, Josh Farmer, and Ethan Moore built little free libraries with outdoor subjects and designed a scavenger hunt to navigate visitors to the libraries. It was a success and will remain at the park for others to enjoy.

- **2022 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar**

Joseph Poelstra is one of 207 Phi Theta Kappa members selected as a 2022 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar and will receive a \$1000 scholarship. Scholars are selected based on scholastic achievement, community service, and leadership potential. More than 1,300 applications were received.

## **TRANSFORM OUR OWN WORKFORCE EXPERIENCE**

- **PPSC Name Change**

We have begun transitioning to our new, Pikes Peak State College. Over the remainder of the summer and the fall and will gradually see changes around campus. We will officially start using the "Pikes Peak State College" name as of August 29, 2022, the beginning of the fall semester.

Updates on the name change process:

- Domain Name, Website and Portal
- Email
- Ordering Branded Promotional Items and Supplies

For more information, please visit the [name change FAQ](#).

*Jim Mancall, Chief of Staff*

- **PPSC continues to offer support to students and employees during summer providing services to get the support they need.**

We're on your team! We know how difficult it can be to juggle work, school, family and life but PPSC are here to support you in your educational journey.

- [MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING & CRISIS INTERVENTION](#)
- [BASIC NEEDS ASSISTANCE](#)
- [MILITARY & VETERAN STUDENT SUPPORT](#)
- [ACADEMIC SUPPORT](#)
- [CAREER SERVICES](#)
- [ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES](#)
- [TRIO](#)

- **PPCC To Launch Fall Semester With New Name and Programs**

Pikes Peak State College is now offering several free medical programs, thanks to the new Care Forward Colorado initiative. Created with federal funds directed by the Colorado Legislature, Care Forward aims to meet the heavy demand for entry-level healthcare positions and is available at community colleges throughout the state. "Care Forward is going to make such a difference, both for our depleted healthcare workforce and for the lives of so many students," said Pikes Peak President Lance Bolton. "These are careers with solid incomes, and the jobs are so mobile. These students can work anywhere."

*Karen Kovaly, Pikes Peak State College Communication Coordinator*

## **CREATE EDUCATION WITHOUT BARRIERS THROUGH TRANSFORMATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

- **Colorado Springs Hispanic Chambers joins Pikes Peak State College to host a Business Luncheon Series at PPSC**

Tiko Hardy, Chief Diversity Officer and Jim Mancall, Chief of Staff partnered with Joe Aldaz, President & CEO of Colorado Springs Hispanic Business Council – The Hispanic Chamber as they planned and hosted a business luncheon at PPSC Centennial Campus on Tuesday, September 27. With special guest speaker LT. Gen. Richard Clark, Superintendent, U.S. Air Force Academy. Both a college president and military commander for the Academy, he directs a four-year regimen of military training academics, athletic and character development programs.

[First Black Air Force Academy Superintendent says lack of diversity “will weaken us”](#)

- **PPSC Community Table’s Partnership with Care Share**

PPSC’s Associated Student Government (ASG) President, Wesley Montgomery experienced a surprise during recent trip to pick up food from Care and Share. Normally he picks up 2 pallets of food providing approximately 1,000 lbs. of food. On his recent trip he found 11 pallets of food weighing approximately 500 lbs. each. Our students will find a well-stocked Community table this fall when they arrive.

The Community table is a food pantry for any student or employee with need. We operate pantries at our Centennial, Downtown and Rampart Campuses. All pantries have refrigeration units that allow for fresh meat, dairy, and produce as well as dry goods.

**REDEFINE OUR VALUE PROPOSITION THROUGH ACCESSIBILITY,  
AFFORDABILITY, QUALITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT,  
AND OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE**

- [PPCC in the News: The Gazette – President's Dinner News](#)

On May 14, more than 900 students became the last ones with Pikes Peak Community College on their diplomas. In July, PPCC becomes Pikes Peak State college.

On April 28, the PPCC Foundation board, the business community and supporters had gone Western at Boot Barn Hall for a President's Dinner to advance what those changes will mean.

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- **PPSC HLC Quality Initiative (QI) Review**

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) approved the QI proposal submitted by Tiko Hardy, Chief Diversity Officer and Patricia Diawara, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness.

It was noted that the institution is to be commended for the clear mission, timeline, and infrastructure of this initiative. It is appropriate that specific actions are as-yet undefined, as the "Exploration" state of the initiative gathers information and forms suggestions for the best next steps to address student needs. It is important that the information gathered in the "Exploration" stage is translated into concrete, actionable items in the "Preparation" and "Implementation" stages.

- **PPSC Hires New Director of Prior Learning Assessment**

Gary Walker was hired as the new Director of Prior Learning Assessment effective January 1, 2022. This position services as a liaison between Instructional Services and Student Services, advocating for military and civilian students seeking to gain college credit for life and work experience. Walker is a former PPSC English Faculty and a U. S. Navy veteran.