



2019-2020

ANNUAL REPORT

GREETINGS FROM

RYAN PURDY
MPCC PRESIDENT



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GREETINGS ALUMNI, FRIENDS, AND STAKEHOLDERS,

The ending of the 2019-20 year will go down as one of the most memorable periods of our lifetime. We experienced some highs and some lows. On March 30, we made the difficult decision to move for-credit courses to a remote format for the remainder of the year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. There was no instruction manual on how to navigate this unknown, but we knew that we had to look out for the safety of our students, staff and the communities we serve.

While it wasn't easy, we celebrated our students' educational accomplishments with face-to-face on-campus commencement ceremonies July 31. Of the 334 students who graduated with 378 certificates, diplomas and degrees, nearly half returned to campus with their families and friends to walk across the stage. We wish we could have continued to support our students in-person for the final six weeks, but it was not possible. We made every attempt to assist them on their paths forward. In response to our efforts, more than five out of six students still valued their investment and were satisfied with MPCC and four of out of five were satisfied with our staff's efforts. Sixty-four percent of students responded that campus services either stayed the same or improved during the disruption.

In last year's report, we honored outgoing District 1 MPCC Board of Governors member Garry Lawyer, and on Oct. 1, 2019, we said good-bye to Garry after his short battle with cancer. He had a love for his family, education and cars. He will be greatly missed.

As you peruse the pages of this 2019-20 annual report, you'll see many new and exciting opportunities taking place on our campuses. Program accreditations were granted continuing approval. Faculty have won teaching awards. A new Electrical Automation Controls program was launched. Programs experienced record student enrollments. Student organizations were active on campus and throughout the communities. McCook and North Platte Phi Beta Lambda chapters continued to represent MPCC well at the state and national conferences. We built new business partnerships within our communities. We improved our facilities.

Our first-time, full-time student retention from the fall of 2018 to the fall of 2019 matched a five-year high of 67 percent for third best among our 15 peer institutions. That was an increase of five percent over last year.

Dr. David Potter, NPCC speech instructor, Mark Hardiman, MCC speech and theater instructor, Jessica Grasmick, NPCC dental assisting instructor, Alexa McCall, NPCC mathematics instructor, Jamie Perry, NPCC medical laboratory technician instructor, and Mark Harwood, NPCC autobody

instructor, began the year as new faculty. Kristin Simpson, NPCC interim music instructor, joined them at the start of the spring semester due to the mid-year retirement of Pam Koch at the end of the fall semester.

We celebrated three bittersweet faculty retirements at the end of 2019-20. Sally Thalken, physical education instructor and division chair for math and science, Kathleen McCune, business instructor, and Kent Beel, diesel technology instructor and division chair for the applied sciences, had a combined 94 years of full-time and part-time service to the college. Their dedication and commitment to MPCC will be greatly missed.

The community campuses in Broken Bow, Imperial, Ogallala and Valentine continued to shine in student enrollment. Full-time equivalent (FTE) in students for 2019-20 was 160 compared to the record 2018-19 year of 161. Graduates from those community campus areas totaled 42.

After one of the best years in recent memory for Business and Community Education, BCE was nearly shut down for the last three months of the 2019-20 fiscal year, which allowed the team to plan for new and exciting programming including Motorcycle Safety, the KC Launch Business Competition and numerous customized training opportunities.

Mid-Plains Community College student-athletes representing McCook Community College, North Platte Community College and the rodeo team continued to shine in the classroom and on the field of competition. The MCC men's golf team was named the top academic team in the nation with a combined 3.67 GPA while also cracking the Top 20 in the national JUCO rankings at No. 19 - just prior to the season being cancelled. MCC baseball led the standings of the Empire League at the end of the pandemic-shortened season. The MPCC men's rodeo team was second in the Great Plains Region team standings and the women's team was third at the time the seasons were cancelled. Several members of the rodeo teams were in the regional Top 10 for their events. At MCC, 24 student-athletes were named to NJCAA All-Academic teams. At NPCC, 22 student-athletes were named to the NJCAA All-Academic teams.

Thank you all for your continued support of Mid-Plains Community College before, during and after the pandemic. We take pride in serving our communities. We always want your input on how we can better serve you as we desire to continue to improve in all areas to sustain and grow West Central and Southwest Nebraska.

Ryan Purdy,
MPCC President

OUR MISSION

Transforming lives through exceptional learning opportunities for individual student success.

OUR VALUES

The College believes that certain values should guide each decision made in the operation of the College. We value excellence in education through:

- **Integrity**
- **Programs that enhance the quality of life for people and our region**
- **Accessibility and affordability**
- **Respect for our college, communities, and the people we serve**
- **Open and honest communication**
- **Safe, quality, and engaging environments**
- **Continuous collaboration among all campuses**

OUR ROLE

MPCC seeks the following instructional and service priorities:

- **Applied technology and occupational education** and, when necessary, foundations education
- **Transfer education**, including general academic transfer degree programs, or applied technology and occupational programs which may be applicable to the first two years of a bachelor's degree program, and, when necessary, foundations education
- **Public service**, particularly adult continuing education for occupations and professions, economic and community development focused on customized occupational assessment and job training programs for businesses and communities, and avocational and personal development courses
- **Applied research**

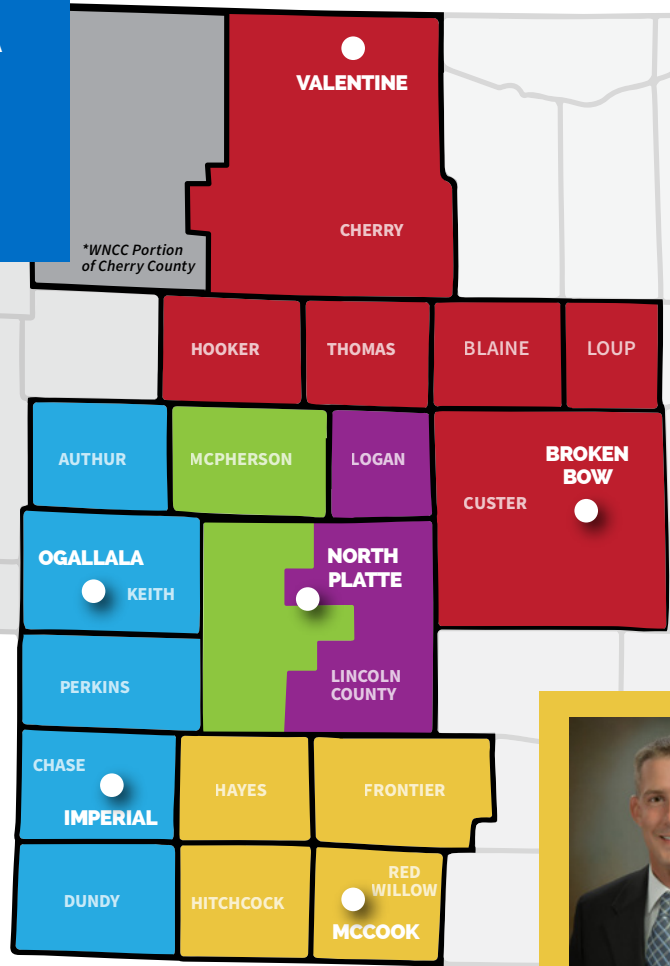
MPCC ranks in

TOP 10

best community colleges in the nation



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COVID-19 RESPONSE

The COVID-19 pandemic caused drastic changes to MPCC operations beginning in March. As health concerns prompted cancellations and closures across the country, Mid-Plains was no exception.

The college closed its campuses March 30 as a precaution, and employees worked from home. Staff and administration were slowly transitioned back May 11 through June 1, but the college remained closed to the public until July 15.

Faculty were tasked with moving instruction to a remote format, and any needs by the public were addressed either by phone or virtually. All events that had been scheduled for the end of the spring semester were cancelled or

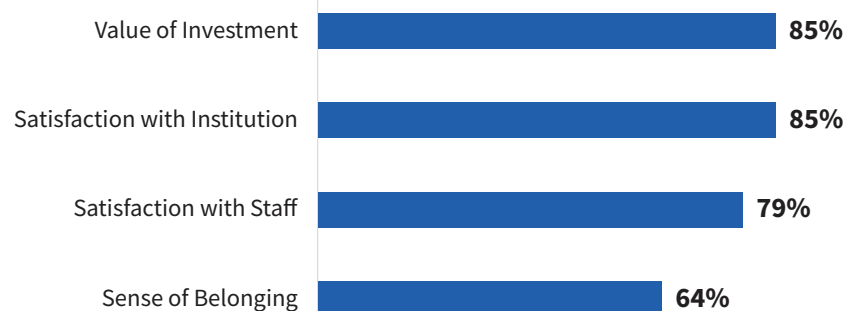
postponed, including commencement, which was moved to July 31.

MPCC made all of its decisions based on directed health measures outlined by the state as well as information from area hospitals and health departments. A COVID-19 response team was formed among college employees, and President Ryan Purdy became a frequent participant at town hall meetings regarding the pandemic and the local response to it. Students and employees

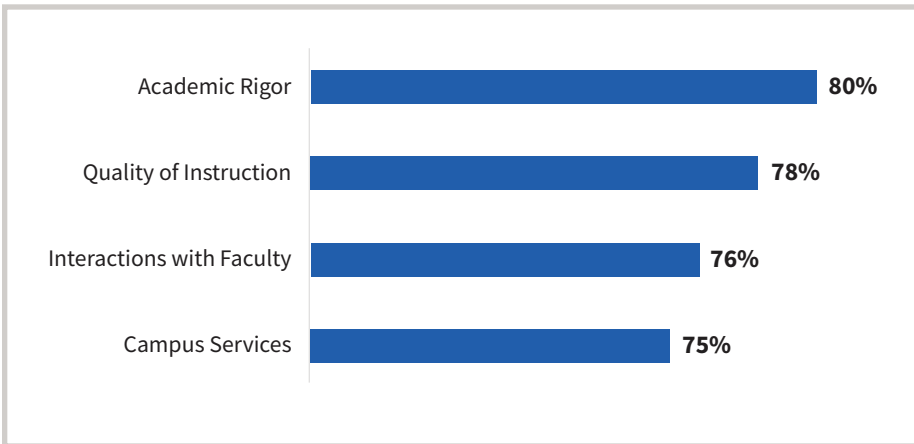
were kept up-to-date on the college's response and safety precautions via emails, the MPCC website and social media.

Safeguards for the return to campuses included health screenings at welcome centers, the wearing of masks by anyone in college buildings or vehicles, social distancing and frequent handwashing. Employees and visitors were encouraged to stay home if sick.

Students were **very positive** when asked about MPCC during COVID-19 outbreak.

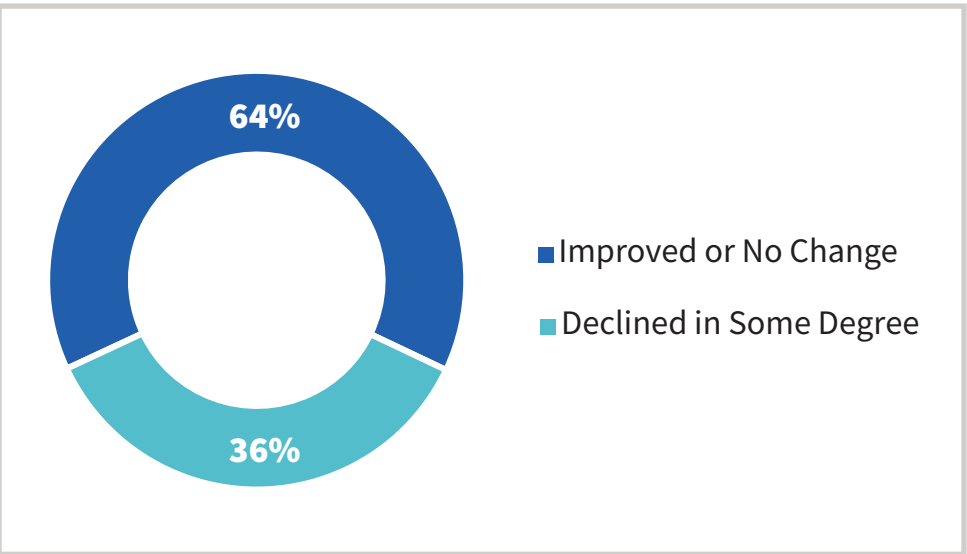


COVID-19 RESPONSE



Satisfaction with academic and student services **ranked very high** among students during COVID-19 disruptions.

During the disruptions caused by COVID-19 **most students' satisfaction with campus services improved** or showed no change.



APPLIED TECHNOLOGIES DIVISION

Kent Beel,
Area Division Chair
for the Applied
Technologies



2019-20 was a year of changes for the Applied Technologies department at MPCC. The biggest change was spurred by the COVID-19 pandemic, which prompted campuses to close for the second eight weeks of spring classes.

The campus closure forced applied tech instructors to move hands-on classes to an online format so students could continue learning at home. It also postponed the sale of the auction house and cancelled the raffle car. Isai and Chawnta Zuniga, of North Platte, won the 2019 raffle car.

Faculty-wise, long-time diesel instructor and division chair Kent Beel announced his retirement and Kelley Cole was hired to replace him in the classroom. Steve Kramer took over as division chair. Mark Harwood replaced Don Wilson as the

auto body instructor, and Jeff Holthus was hired as the first year welding instructor in McCook after a five year vacancy that was temporarily filled by Mike Harris. Stacy Mann became the new area technical enrollment coach.

Renovations continued at the CAST building in McCook, and a remodel began on the auto body classroom in North Platte. A painting simulator was also purchased for auto body to teach students how to spray without wasting paint, and a pair of digital monitors were installed in the automotive technology department to

help students assess and diagnose problems in vehicles.

Electrical Technology launched a new Electrical Automation Control program, providing an opportunity for those already in the field to further their careers in manufacturing.

The Applied Technology department continued to expand its partnerships with area high schools by scheduling days for instructors to visit the schools and talk with students. Instructors in the department also reached out to area employers to find quality jobs for graduates.

Jean Condon,
Area Division Chair
of Business and
Technology

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

The MPCC Business Office Technology department merged with the Business Department. All programs and certificates will now be offered as an Associate of Applied Science in Business degree with emphasis in specific areas.



All courses were moved from Blackboard to Canvas. Classes subsequently transitioned to remote learning during the spring semester.

An IT course was successfully integrated into the Electrical Automation Control program. IT instructor Emmanuel Luke integrated a Florida State College NetLab system into two network server courses, and as a result, MPCC will soon have its own NetLab program.

Students were placed in internships in more than 20 local businesses, and the NPCC Phi Beta Lambda chapter was re-established. Three members of that chapter qualified for nationals

with some placing first in multiple events at the first Virtual State Leadership Conference.

MCC's PBL chapter also attended the conference and took home 15 awards. Lorrie Mowry was named Nebraska's Advisor of The Year, and the MCC chapter earned the Gold Level of Excellence Award. Mowry also earned the Post-Secondary Teacher of the Year title from the Mountain-Plains Business Education Association as well as the award for Outstanding Contributions to Business Education by a Post-Secondary Teacher from the Nebraska State Business Education Association. She was a Pearson Textbook

reviewer for "Personal Finance Experience, Principles of Management."

Business instructor Janet Stalder was named Postsecondary Teacher of the Year by the Association for Career and Technical Education of Nebraska while business instructor Renelle Mooney earned an Excellence in Teaching Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development.

Mowry, Stalder, Mooney, Kathleen McCune, Jimi Cole, Jean Condon, Cathy Nutt and Angie Chittick were all named Belong, Excel, Study and Travel Award recipients by the Nebraska Department of Education.



Marina Makovicka,
Area Division Chair
of Health Occupations

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS DIVISION

Accreditation and expansion highlighted
MPCC's Health Occupations division for 2019-20.

The Nebraska Board of Nursing continued approval of the college's Associate Degree Nursing and Licensed Practical Nursing programs. The next site visit will be in four years. The training of nurses was taken to another level with the purchase of the world's most life-like childbirth simulator and accompanying baby - the first newborn simulator developed to meet the challenges of neonatal care specialist training in real environments.

The college's nursing assistant classes were expanded through an online offering in McCook.

Additionally, the MPCC Broken Bow Campus, Jennie M. Melham Memorial Medical Center and Broken Bow High School partnered to offer a nursing assistant course for Broken Bow High School students.

The college began offering an EMT class on weekday afternoons as well to accommodate high school students.

In August, the college hosted the Flat Rock EMS Conference, which featured training on a mock large-scale mass casualty incident. It was attended by emergency responders from across the state.

Furthering the exposure of the college, Fire Science instructor Tim Zehnder continued to build relationships with fire departments throughout MPCC's 18-county service area by providing training and serving as a resource for information.

The Medical Laboratory Technician program experienced its highest enrollment in history, and Dental Assisting instructor Jess Grasmick continued working toward student, instructor and program improvement.



Jean Miller,
Area Division Chair of
Humanities & Social Sciences

HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION

Three new instructors taught for the Humanities and Social Sciences department during the 2019-20 school year.



New faculty included Dr. David Potter, speech instructor, in North Platte and Mark Hardiman, speech and theater instructor in McCook. Kristin Simpson was the interim music instructor in the spring at NPCC. She is the full-time music instructor for fall.

Hardiman taught stage combat for three area theater groups and became active in Build it Here, an organization that finds ways for local art groups and art educators to collaborate.

The MCC theater department developed a new production, "A Welsh Christmas Remembered,"

and partnered with Sehnert's Bakery for a post-show discussion. NPCC's theater department joined forces with the North Platte Community Playhouse to produce, "Into the Woods."

MCC's music department hosted a "Winterfest" concert in December. NPCC's music students performed at the Best of the West Music Festival, fall and holiday concerts and recitals, and were regular performers at men's and women's basketball games.

The college hosted several activities to celebrate and commemorate Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Gay-Straight Alliance students worked with Student Services in McCook to organize and provide panel presentations regarding race and cultural appropriation, and historical documentaries were shown in North Platte.

Sociology/Criminal Justice instructor Sheri Hink-Wagner graduated from Fort Hays State University with a Master of Professional Studies degree in criminal justice.

NPCC's Sigma Kappa Delta book drive yielded 124 books for Richard Young Behavioral Health in Kearney.



MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE DIVISION

Sally Thalken,
Area Division Chair
of Mathematics & Science

The Mathematics and Science Division offered a record number of dual credit classes during the 2019-20 20 academic year.



Math instructor Chad Swanson worked in conjunction with other Nebraska community colleges on the Nebraska Math Readiness Project, which takes modular courses to high school seniors to eliminate the need for enrollment in developmental math upon entering college. North Platte, McCook, Southwest and Wauneta-Palisade high schools all participated.

Jared Daily, math and physics instructor, offered a STEM Summer Camp focused on 3D design and printing. Faculty also brought in guest speakers throughout the year to talk to students about math and science-related careers.

Chemistry instructor Dr. Aaron McLean and math instructors Joanna Jacobs and Micah

Marvin served on the team to define multiple measures for entry.

When COVID struck, faculty had to quickly make changes to their instruction. Among other things, they taught via Zoom and implemented functions of the Canvas learning management platform not previously used. Biology instructor HaLea Messersmith was instrumental in helping her colleagues navigate the various technologies.

Faculty also worked with publishers to provide students with access to online resources and PowerLab equipment for some science classes. They recorded lectures to accommodate student schedules, and those recordings will be used in the future for students who miss class because of illness or college-related activities.





Gail Knott,
Area Associate Dean
of Outreach

COMMUNITY CAMPUSES

BROKEN BOW

BROKEN BOW CAMPUS

HEADCOUNT

214

TOTAL STUDENTS



2019-20

12

GRADUATES

FROM BROKEN BOW
CAMPUS AREA

FALL 2019 ENROLLMENTS

BROKEN BOW

19

FULL-TIME



161

PART-TIME

HIGH SCHOOLS SERVED

BY THE
BROKEN BOW
CAMPUS



- ★ SANDHILLS
- ★ LOUP COUNTY
- ★ SARGENT
- ★ ANSELMO-MERNA
- ★ BROKEN BOW
- ★ ANSLEY
- ★ ARNOLD
- ★ CALLAWAY

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
ENROLLED IN

2019-20
DUAL CREDIT
CLASSES

357

IMPERIAL



2019-20

6

GRADUATES

FROM IMPERIAL
CAMPUS AREA

IMPERIAL CAMPUS

HEADCOUNT

159

TOTAL
STUDENTS



FALL 2019 ENROLLMENTS

IMPERIAL

21

FULL-TIME



99

PART-TIME

HIGH SCHOOLS SERVED

BY THE
IMPERIAL CAMPUS



- ★ HAYES CENTER
- ★ IMPERIAL
- ★ WAUNETA
- ★ BENKLEMAN

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
ENROLLED IN

2019-20
DUAL CREDIT
CLASSES

210



2019-20

17
GRADUATES

FROM OGALLALA
CAMPUS AREA

OGALLALA CAMPUS
HEADCOUNT

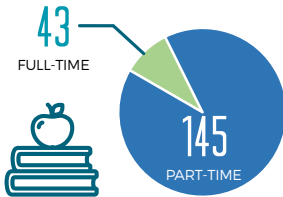
253
TOTAL STUDENTS



OGALLALA

FALL 2019 ENROLLMENTS

OGALLALA



HIGH SCHOOLS SERVED
BY THE
OGALLALA
CAMPUS

- ★ ARTHUR
- ★ OGALLALA
- ★ PAXTON
- ★ GRANT

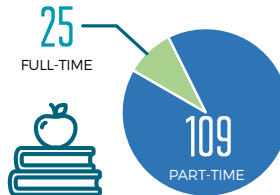
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
ENROLLED IN
**2019-20
DUAL CREDIT
CLASSES**

219

VALENTINE

FALL 2019 ENROLLMENTS

VALENTINE



2019-20

7
GRADUATES

FROM VALENTINE
CAMPUS AREA



HIGH SCHOOLS SERVED
BY THE
VALENTINE
CAMPUS

- ★ CROOKSTON ★ VALENTINE
- ★ WOOD LAKE
- ★ KENNEDY
- ★ BROWNLEE
- ★ SENECA
- ★ MULLEN ★ THEDFORD

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
ENROLLED IN
**2019-20
DUAL CREDIT
CLASSES**

249

VALENTINE CAMPUS
HEADCOUNT

172
TOTAL STUDENTS



BUSINESS & COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Gail Knott,
Area Associate Dean
of Outreach



The Business and Community Education (BCE) department has continued to expand its reach to the Mid-Plains Community College service area over the past year.

Working collaboratively with the community campuses, new trainings and programs have been offered. The combined efforts strengthen western Nebraska communities. BCE's reach is broad - offering program opportunities to large national businesses and local main street stores as well as community education classes for everyone from children to the elderly.

The BCE department added a new team member this year, Kendrick Marshall. Marshall spent the year developing the first-ever Motorcycle Safety

Course program, which has proven to be a huge success in meeting the needs of motorcycle enthusiasts in the region. Also new is Benjamin Pearce, who is responsible for utilizing the electrical and HVAC simulators at the junior high and high school levels and introducing them to career opportunities in the trades. Both men have been welcome additions to the team.

Modeled after the long running Hormel Business Competition in McCook, the Ogallala Community Campus hosted a similar entrepreneur business

competition this year called the KC Launch Business Competition. An individual was selected and awarded a \$10,000.00 cash prize allowing for Keith County to add a new business. All four Community Campuses hosted Grain Bin Safety training, enabling 85 firefighters, ag producers and individuals to be prepared should a rescue situation arise. New customized trainings rolled out, including electrical trainings, consisting of Basic AC/DC Electricity/Motor Control and Programable Logic Control/Motor Control. Both electrical trainings have been utilized by large cattle producers in MPCC's service area.

BCE continues to oversee several grants, enabling additional programming to specific populations. Those include Department of Corrections, Community College GAP Assistance and the Nebraska Workforce Retraining Initiative. The grant opportunities allow for new course development and partnerships - all focused on serving communities' diverse needs.

BCE looks forward to the coming year and representing Mid-Plains Community College regionally with quality programs and trainings.



MID-PLAINS RODEO

The Mid-Plains Community College Rodeo Team only competed half a season as a result of COVID-19. All spring rodeos were cancelled as a precaution against the pandemic as was the College National Finals Rodeo.

Final standings for the Great Plains Region were based on the results after the North Dakota State University rodeo in November.

Those put the MPCC men's team second in the region with about 3,035 points and its women's team third in the region with 848 total points.

Wynn Schaack, of Wall, S.D., finished fourth in the men's all-around standings, followed by his teammate, Riley Reiss, of Manning, N.D., who placed fifth.

Danielle Wray, of Ord, was fifth in the women's all-around standings. Wray was also the top team roping header in the region.

Behind her in the team roping header category were Wyatt Williams, of Ord, in third place; Schaack in fifth place; Koby Jacobson, of Hershey, in sixth place and Caitlyn Comfort, of Elwood, who finished 15th.



Chance Williams, of Ord, was the second highest point earner in team roping heeling. Reiss was fourth, Marshall Still, of Oconto, was fifth and Weston Kunkee, of Lexington, was 15th.

Wray ranked fourth in the breakaway roping, and Comfort came in 15th.

Jacobson took third in the bull riding, and Teran Sharman, of Palmer, was fourth.

Trenton Solida, of Glade, Kan.; Schaack; Sterling Lee, of Rhame, N.D. and JD Draper, of Oakley, Kan. were seventh, eighth, 10th and 13th respectively in the tie-down roping.

In the steer wrestling, Schaack finished second in the region. Reiss was third, Draper was fourth, Austin Madison, of Whiting, Iowa, was fifth and Still ended up 15th.

NORTH PLATTE KNIGHTS

North Platte Community College had 22 student athletes named to NJCAA All-Academic teams. To make the teams, each athlete had to have a GPA of 3.6 or higher.

NPCC volleyball players Gabby Menghini, of North Platte; Sydney Mullin, of North Platte; Erica Hopping, of Sutherland and Bailey Chintala, of Fleming, Colo. were also named to the All-Region IX Division II Team and Region IX All-Tournament Team.

Three members of the NPCC Knights men's basketball team were awarded NCCAC All-Conference honors: Courtney Murrell, of Plano, Texas; Danilo Matovic, of Navi Dad, Serbia and Luke Christen, of Anselmo.

In women's basketball, Ashley Hasset, of Hershey, was named to the NCCAC All-Conference First Team while Emily Joseph, of St. Petersburg, Fla., was named to the Second Team and Janay Brauer, of Sidney, was awarded an honorable mention. Joseph and Brauer were also given Region IX All-Region honors while Brauer was named to the District IX All-Tournament Team as well.



NPCC VOLLEYBALL

The NPCC volleyball team made an impressive postseason run in 2019 for the second consecutive season. The Knights finished the regular season 12-19 before sweeping the Region IX Tournament with wins over Central Community College and Southeast Community College.

North Platte went on to win its first round District G playoff match against Bismark State College in a highly contested three sets to two victory. The Knights then fell to Bismark State College in the next two matches, which ended their postseason run.

North Platte finished the season 15-21 and saw head coach Alexa McCall named Region IX Division II Coach of the Year for the second straight season.

Gabby Meghini, Sydney Mullin and Bailey Chintala all signed on to continue their volleyball careers at four-year institutions.

ATHLETICS

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NPCC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The NPCC women's volleyball team started the 2019-20 regular season 7-7 but finished 10-20. North Platte fell to Southeast Community College 57-70 in the first round of the Region XI Division II Tournament. The loss ended the Knights' season with a 10-21 record.

Three players signed on to continue their basketball careers. Dehje Belmore, of Denver, Colo., and Treasure McCrimon, of Gary, Ind., will attend McMurry University. Catie Whitehead, New Port Richey, Fla., will attend York College.



NPCC MEN'S BASKETBALL

The North Platte Community College men's basketball team got off to a slow start to begin the 2019-20 season as they won just twice in the first eight games. The Knights bounced back to bring their record to 6-8 halfway through the season. However, North Platte lost momentum down the stretch and finished the regular season 8-19.

The Knights would fall to Otero Junior College 98-62 in the first round of the Region IX District I Tournament. The loss dropped their record to 8-20 and ended the season for North Platte.

Three Knights were awarded NCCAC All-Conference honors: Courtney Murrell, of Plano, Texas; Danilo Matovic, of Navi Dad, Serbia; and Luke Christen, of Anselmo. The Knights also had six players named to NJCAA All-Academic teams.

Four sophomores on the NPCC men's basketball team went on to play for four-year colleges and universities following the 2019-20 season.

NPCC SOFTBALL

The 2020 season for the North Platte Community College softball team was very much out of the ordinary. After several weather delays to begin the season, the Knights got off to a slow start after dropping their first four games.

North Platte bounced back with a four-game sweep over Northeast Community College. They then dropped their next four games to finish a shortened season, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, with a 4-8 record.

The Knights saw several highlights during the shortened season including a seven-inning shutout pitched by freshman Taylor Coleman, of North Platte, in which she struck out 13 and gave up only one hit. North Platte also came away with a seven-run come from behind win against Northeast Community College in which the Knights hit three homeruns in an 11-7 win.

Megan Hernandez-Belew, of Broomfield, Colo., signed on to continue her career with Midland University.



MCCOOK INDIANS

Twenty four student athletes from McCook Community College were named to one of three National Junior College Athletic Association's (NJCAA) all-academic teams for 2020. Every student compiled a grade-point average of 3.60 or higher. The McCook Community College golf team has been named the top academic golf team in the nation by the NJCCA compiling a 3.67 grade-point average. In addition to the NJCCA honors, 38 MCC student athletes were named to the Academic All-Region Team with a minimum grade-point average of 3.25.

Eighteen MCC athletes, from all six sports, earned scholarships at four-year schools, including five to NCAA Division 1 schools, seven to NCAA Division II schools and five to NAIA schools.

MCC VOLLEYBALL

The McCook Community College volleyball team snapped a 58-match losing streak to Western Nebraska on Halloween night, beating the Cougars in Scottsbluff. It was the first time since 1994 that MCC knocked off Western Nebraska, ranked 17th at the time. The Lady Indians also knocked off 20th ranked Northeastern Junior College and 17-ranked Cloud County Community (Division II) Cloud County, to finish the regular season 23-10.

The Lady Indians claimed the Nebraska Community College Athletic Conference championship for the second year in a row with a 6-0 mark, and went 2-0 in the Region IX Tournament to finish the season 25-12. For the fourth year in a row, the Lady Indians, were named winners of the Sheila R Worley Sportsmanship Award.

Sophomore libero Kiera Barr, Granby, Colo., was named to the All-Region IX South Team, the All-Region IX Tournament Team and the Omaha World-Herald's All-Nebraska College Team. The MCC co-captain led all players in the south region with 640 digs and was 10th in the nation among the players from 100 Division I NJCAA schools.

Freshman Fernanda Canedo, Cochabamba, Boliva, was also selected for All-Region IX South, All-Tournament and the World-Herald's All-Nebraska Team. Freshman Kallie Cathcart, Holly, Colo., was named to the All-Region IX South Team and received honorable mention on the World-Herald team. Freshmen middle Jayceea Hanson, McCook, and setter Heiata Tauota, Nantes, France, received World-Herald honorable mentions.

For the second year in a row, all the sophomores on the roster moved on to play volleyball at four-year schools. Kiera Barr, signed on to play at Augusta University, an NCAA Division II program; Madison Kleewein, a 6-0 right-side hitter, North Platte St. Pat's High School, went on to play at the University of Arkansas at Monticello, an NCAA Division II school; Mallory Brown, a 5-8 outside hitter, Colorado Springs, continued her career at NCAA Division II Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C.; and Bailey Honn, a 5-8 right-side hitter from McCook will play at Ottawa University in Kansas, a NAIA school.



MCC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

In his first year leading the Lady Indians, Coach Brandon Pritchett was named the Nebraska Community College Athletic Conference Coach of The Year as MCC claimed the conference championship. MCC went 21-9 during the regular season, and hosted and won a first-round tournament game over Lamar, 66-38, before losing to 15th ranked Casper College 82-55. MCC finished the season at 22-10.

Sophomore Makenna Bodette, Colorado Springs, and freshman Carla Torrubia Cano, Melilla, Spain, were both selected to the All-Region IX South Team. In addition, Bodette was one of five players named to the All-Defensive Team. Bodette and Torrubia were also named to the All NCCAC Team along with sophomore Paula Rosello Mateu, Barcelona, Spain.

Bodette was named to the First-Team Omaha World-Herald All-Midlands College Women's Junior College Team. Torrubia Cano and Rosello Mateu were named to the second team.

Bodette, averaged 14 points and 8.75 rebounds per game. Nationally, she ranked eighth among players from 182 Division I schools with 215 offensive rebounds and was 13th in the nation with 63 blocked shots. Torrubia Cano, averaged 11.2 points and 7.3 rebounds per game. From the three-point line, she made 39 of 91 attempts, 42.9 percent, which was 11th best in the nation. Mateu averaged 11.3 points, 3.5 rebounds and 3.1 assists per game.

Bodette transferred to South Dakota Mines, NCAA, D2, and Mateu to Christian Brothers University in Memphis, NCAA, D2.

MCC SOFTBALL

The Lady Indians dropped their first nine games of the season under first-year coach Kevin Kaalberg, but abruptly turned things around with a five-game winning streak to end February. Those included doubleheader sweeps over NCCAC foes Central Community College and Southeast Community College.

MCC won the final five games of the season before the Covid-19 forced the cancellation of the season. The Lady Indians closed out the season with double home wins against Midland College and Western Nebraska to finish the season at 10-12. That included a perfect 7-0 record at home.

Sophomore Jade Hollands will play at Minnesota State-Moorehead, NCAA D2, sophomore Sara Willier signed on to continue softball at Westcliff University in California, NAIA, and Cassidy Powers transferred to Central Christian College in Kansas, NAIA.





MCC MEN'S BASKETBALL

Under first-year coach Kyle Drennan, the Indians won their final five regular-season games to finish 14-15, then hosted a first-round Region IX tournament game, where they beat Lamar 89-64 before ending the regular season to 15th-ranked Western Wyoming 82-69. The Indians final mark was 15-16.

Sophomore transfer Raheim Sullivan, Toronto, Ontario, and freshman LeTre Darthard, Denton, Texas, were both selected to the All-Region IX third team. In addition, Darthard was also named to the All-Tournament Team. Both players were named to the All-Nebraska Community College Team along with sophomore transfer Tyrik Singh, San Juan, Trinidad and Tobago. Darthard was tabbed for the Omaha World-Herald's All-Midlands Junior College Team, Sullivan received honorable mention.

Sullivan averaged 16.5 points per game, 4.4 rebounds and 3.9 assists per game. He will continue his career next year at Marist College, a D1 program in New York. Darthard averaged 17.9 points, and 5.5 rebounds per game and transferred to Division 1 Utah Valley University in Orem, Utah. Singh averaged 8.2 points and 4.6 rebounds per game and will move on to play at Division II Saginaw Valley State University in Saginaw, Mich.

Drennan resigned in April to take over as director of basketball operations at the University of Illinois-Chicago, a Division 1 program. In May, MCC hired former Mid-Plains Community College student and North Platte native Jacob Brandl as the next men's basketball coach.

MCC BASEBALL

In November 2019, three Indians signed letters of intent at National Signing Day to continue their baseball careers at four-year schools.

Braden Babcock, a sophomore from Maxwell Heights SS in Oshawa, Ontario, signed on to play at Southern Illinois, an NCAA Division I school in Carbondale, Ill. Isaac Vargas, from Greeley Central High School in Greeley, Colo. signed on to play at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, an NCAA Division 1 school. Yasnier Laureano, a 6-4, 205, right-handed pitcher from T.L. Hanna High School in Anderson, S.C., committed to Southeastern University in Lakeland, Fla. a NAIA school.

MCC opened the season taking four of five games at Dallas and Garden City Kan. before dropping a three-game series to fifth-ranked Cowley College. The Indians opened the Region IX slate dropping two of three games at home against Lamar then went 5-1 to lead the Empire League standings at 6-3 when the NJCAA cancelled spring sports.

MCC's Jayden Bastow, Sydney, Australia, was named Region IX pitcher of the week ending March 1, with a complete-game 2-1 win over Otero. The following week, the Indians swept the Region IX weekly awards when freshman Caleb Eiguren, Westminster, Colo., a catcher-outfielder, was named the Region IX Player of the Week and Nicholas Wellman, a redshirt freshman from Quincy, Ill., was named Region IX Pitcher of the Week. MCC swept a three-game series over the weekend at Lamar winning 9-8, 4-3 and 11-10 vaulting to Indians to first place in the standings.

The Indians finished the season 12-10 overall.

After the season, Connor McGonigal signed on to continue his baseball career at William Jewell University, a Division II school in Liberty, Mo., and Nick Wellman is moved on to Division I Austin Peay University in Clarksville, Tenn.



MCC GOLF

In October of 2019, the Indian golfers appeared in the Top 20 national JUCO rankings at No. 19 and seemed poised to make their third straight trip to the NJCAA national tournament when the NJCAA cancelled spring sports and prevented the start of the spring golf season that was to have continued on March 19.

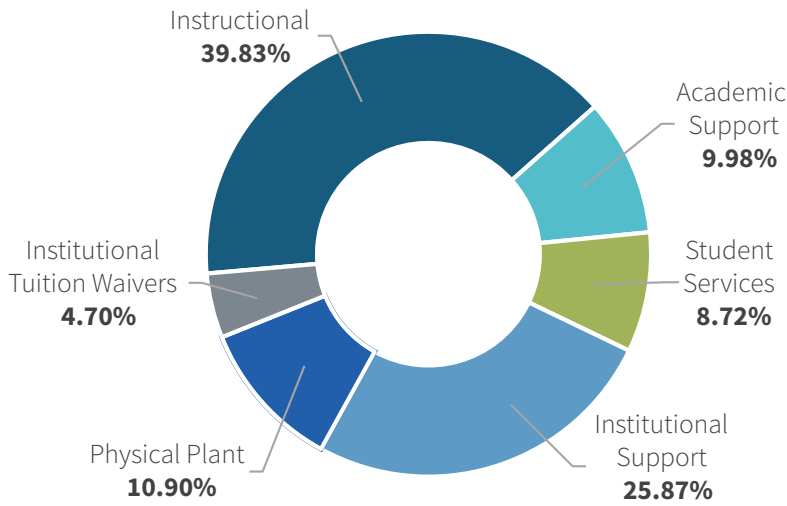
Reverting to the points standings from the fall portion of the schedule, MCC finished the season in second place behind Eastern Wyoming in the six-team standings. The Lancers had 57 points to 45 for MCC.

Sophomore Chesney Tatman, North Platte, was named to the National Junior College Athletic Association PING District 1 team. He along with sophomores Kyle Zimelman, North Platte, and KC Carlson, Delta, Colo., were named to the All-Region IX second team.

Tatman finished fifth in the individual standings for the region and had a 76.2 gross score for the fall season and a low score of 72. Zimelman carried a 76.3 gross score with a low score of 70 and Carlson, averaged 76.8 strokes per round with a low of 69.

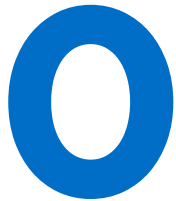
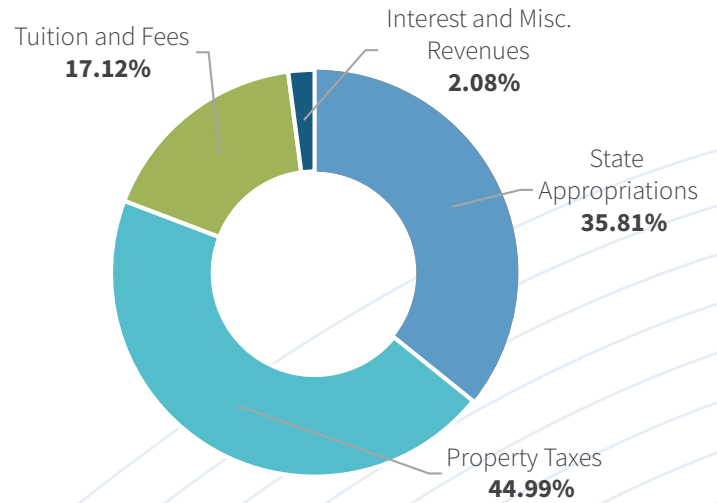
Sophomore Trevor Oberg, McCook, will continue his golf career this fall at Kansas Wesleyan, NAIA, in Salina.

2019-20 GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM CLASSIFICATION



MPCC FINANCIAL DATA

2019-20 GENERAL FUND REVENUE BY SOURCE



FTE Audit Findings
Financial Audit Findings
Financial Aid Audit Findings

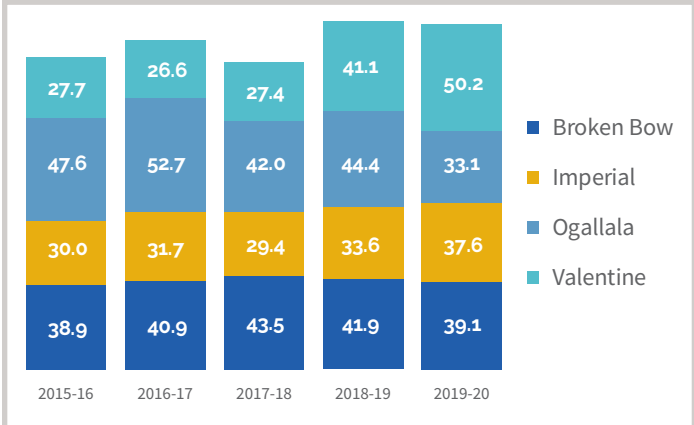
2019-20 ACTUAL BY FUND

	YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL	ANNUAL BUDGET	% COLLECTED SPENT
REVENUES			
State Appropriations	8,986,485	8,986,485	100.00%
Property Taxes	11,290,389	11,042,226	102.25%
Tuition and Fees	4,297,813	4,805,000	89.44%
Interest and Misc. Revenues	522,218	479,000	109.02%
Total Revenues	25,096,905	25,312,711	99.15%
EXPENDITURES			
Instructional	10,120,192	10,562,112	92.28%
Academic Support	2,534,843	2,755,307	89.22%
Student Services	2,216,565	2,340,649	92.22%
Institutional Support	6,572,647	7,248,800	88.80%
Physical Plant	2,770,272	2,969,045	90.98%
Institutional Tuition Waivers	1,193,357	977,000	121.64%
Total Expenditures	25,407,876	26,852,913	91.93%
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN FUND BALANCE	(310,971)	(2,326,667)	

MPCC STUDENT DATA

5-YEAR TREND FTE COMMUNITY CAMPUSES

MPCC Community Campuses are increasing college FTE and helping students achieve individual student success.



FTE ENROLLMENT BREAKDOWN

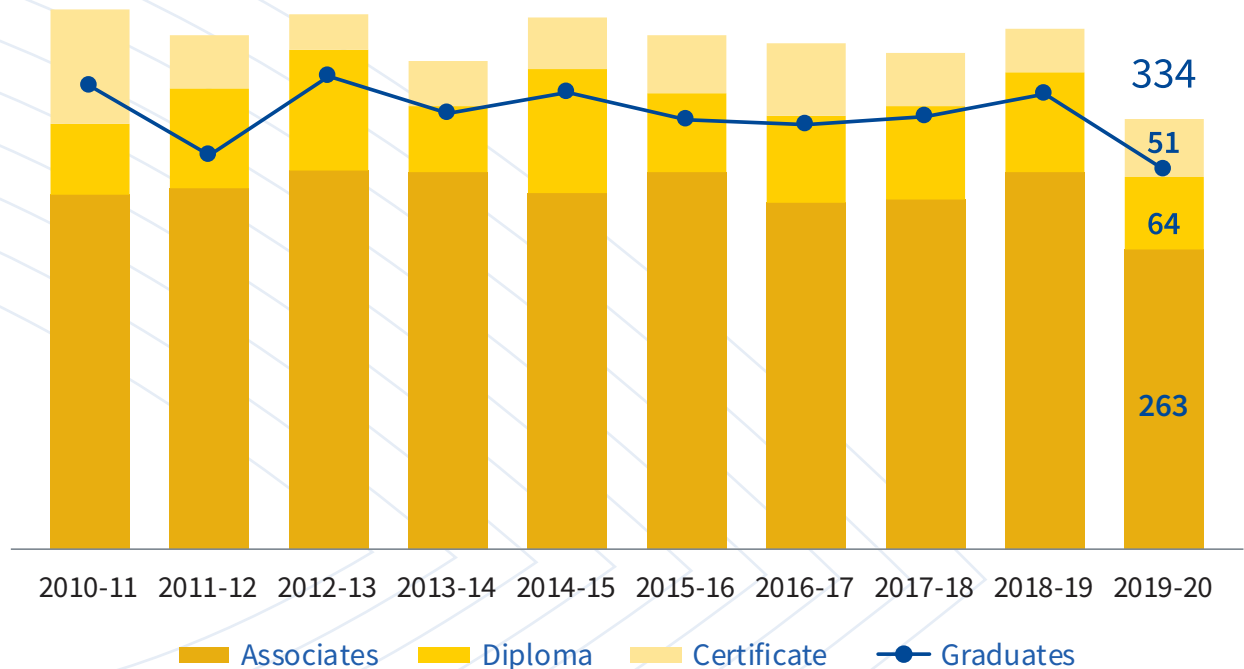
MPCC CREDIT HOURS			
Credit	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18
Online	22.1%	13.8%	17.3%
Distance Learning	5.6%	7.1%	7.2%
On-Ground	72.3%	79.1%	75.5%
Dual Credit	16.6%	16.5%	14.3%

MPCC FULL TIME EQUIVALENT			
All Reimbursable	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18
Online	21.5%	13.3%	16.9%
Distance Learning	5.5%	6.8%	7.1%
On-Ground	70.5%	76.5%	73.7%
Non-Credit*	2.6%	3.3%	2.4%

*Delivered in Multiple Methods

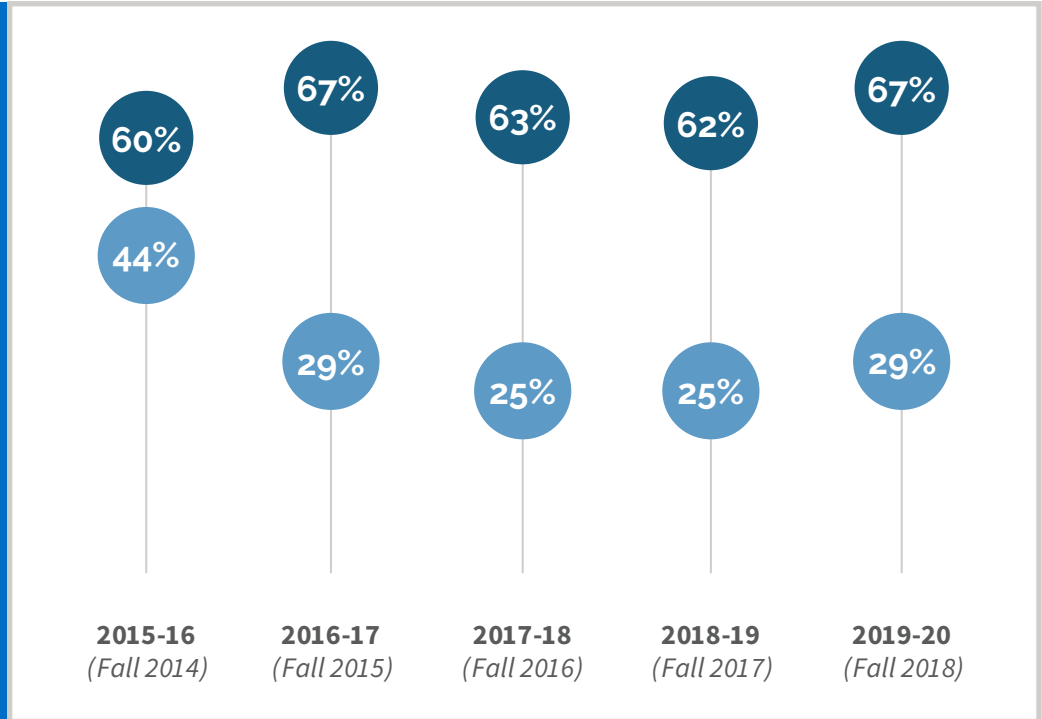
10-YEAR TREND

MPCC GRADUATE COUNT (334) & AWARDS BY TYPE (378)

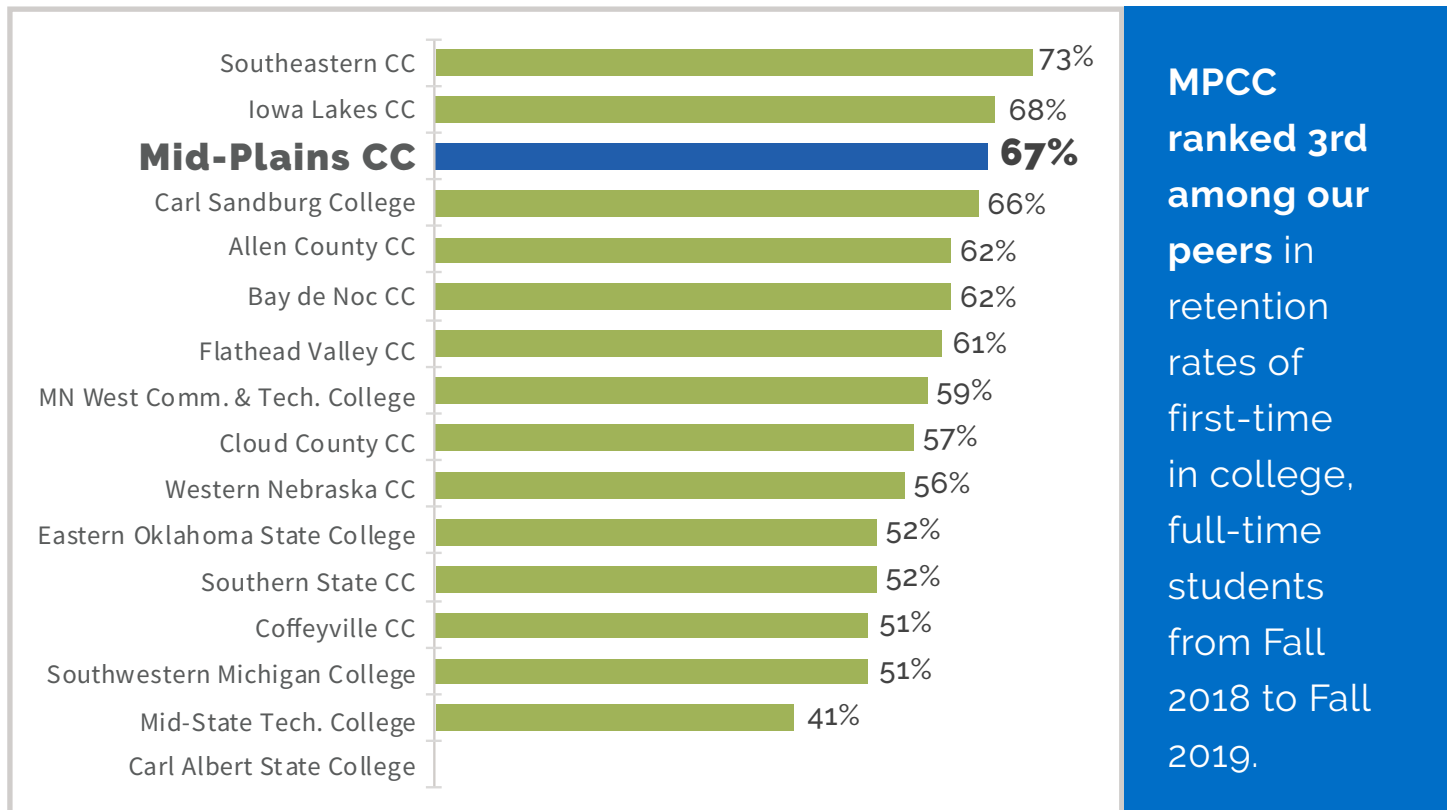


FALL-TO-FALL RETENTION RATES FIRST-TIME IN COLLEGE

For the fifth consecutive year, **full-time student retention is at or above 60%** while part-time student retention increased by **4% from 2018 to 2019.**



FALL-TO-FALL RETENTION RATES PEER COLLEGE-TO-PEER COLLEGE



MPCC ranked 3rd among our peers in retention rates of first-time in college, full-time students from Fall 2018 to Fall 2019.



MPCC RENOVATIONS

MPCC conducted a series of renovations at its North Platte and McCook campuses during the summer of 2019, all with the intentions of creating a better learning environment and making buildings more attractive and welcoming.

In the McDonald-Belton Building in North Platte, the fireplace was gutted and replaced with an electric version, and lights and ceiling tiles were added. The ceiling above the seating area was also reworked to make it more aesthetically pleasing, and the floor was updated to add electrical outlets. Brown tones were replaced with shades of grey to offer a modern feel and tie in with existing furniture. The trapezoid was carpeted, phone charging stations and a large TV were installed and the trophy

cases on either side of the theater were converted into small sitting areas.

On the south side of McDonald-Belton, the Learning Resource Center and Student Success Center were merged into a Learning Commons. A welcome desk was placed in the center of the room, and the library, tutoring and other student service departments were built around it.

New furniture was added to accommodate groups as well as individuals. That included two study rooms with enough seating for

up to five students. Each room has its own TV for video conferencing.

A classroom just inside McDonald-Belton's north entrance and the space immediately inside the south entrance received new flooring, ceiling tiles and lighting. Televisions were added on either side of the south entrance, and a digital kiosk was placed outside the Welcome Center. A trophy case, in memory of Dr. William Hasemeyer, retired MPCC President, was constructed across from the concession stand.





Outside the north entrance, picnic tables, bench seating and improved lighting were added to create a space for students, employees and guests to meet or relax.

At the W.W. Wood Building on NPCC's North Campus, the 70s era electrical supply and equipment were replaced. The concrete approaches to each of the campus' entrances were also replaced with new concrete. The lights in the parking lot were upgraded, and the island on the east side of the building was removed to create a flat parking lot for motorcycle training classes.

Meanwhile in McCook, the von Riesen Library was undergoing a remodel as well. All student services, including tutoring, were moved to the first floor where designated areas for test taking were developed. The first floor also gained a memorabilia room, a group study room, carrel desks and charging stations. A main circulation desk in the middle of the room serves as the hub.

The children's library relocated to the basement and was given its own reading space beside two glass-walled study rooms and additional seating areas. Angled parking was added outside the library – along L Street between von Riesen and Walsh-Brady.

“Students have really embraced the updated spaces at McCook and North Platte,” said Bobbi Muehlenkamp, area director of the Learning Commons. “With a variety of study spaces available — either group or quiet, individual study — there is something for everyone. The flexibility of the study rooms allows them to be used for group study sessions, tutoring and writing labs, as well as in-person and Zoom meetings. We all love the new space.”

MCC's Center for Applied Science and Technology building was also renovated across town. Locker rooms and restrooms were moved to the front of the building to allow students to change before entering the shop and a classroom was expanded into space no longer being utilized by external partners.





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