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We are happy to have Jesse Loveland as one of our Participants of the Quarter. Jesse came to know about CKEOC through the Adult Learning Center GED program at Barton Community College. He learned about the many different opportunities he could explore through the various workshops provided by CKEOC to the GED program.

Jesse received his GED in July of 2012, and immediately seized the opportunity to take advantage of CKEOC’s free services. He was diligent about furthering his education and frequently visited with his CKEOC Advisor. Jesse was provided assistance with enrolling at BCC, went on a campus visit, completed assessment testing, and received help with the financial aid process. After reflecting on his life experiences, he knew that he wanted to pursue a degree in Social Work and entered Barton Community College in the Fall of 2012. He stated that he really loves attending BCC because of its size—not too big or too small—and feels that students receive more individual assistance. Upon completion of his Associates degree at BCC, Jesse plans to transfer to Fort Hays State University where he will work on achieving a Bachelor’s degree in Social Work.

Jesse’s ultimate goal is to someday open a YRC2 (a group home) for troubled teens, and is also very interested in starting his own business producing CD’s. He said his best supporter and greatest inspiration has been his Foster Mom, Elaine. In his spare time he likes to go camping, and spending time with his son and girlfriend.

When asked what he would like to say about CKEOC, Jesse stated “they are polite, love their jobs and helping students go to school, and most of all they are really fun to work with.” He also said, “if there is a question they can’t answer, they won’t quit until they find someone who does.”
CKEOC Outstanding Participant:

Jackie Neidhardt

One of our outstanding participants of the quarter is Jackie Neidhardt from Fort Riley, KS. Jackie hails from Saint Paris, Ohio where she graduated from Graham High School. She came to Fort Riley when her husband received orders. When she arrived, she started taking classes at Barton Community College's Fort Riley campus. She has since completed her Associate's of Science degree and plans on transferring to Washburn University to study radiologic technology and medical imaging.

Jackie describes her college experience as being "very positive." Through a combination of taking LSEC classes that are funded through the state, and Pell Grant, she has been able to complete her degree with no debt. She also states that "her teachers are great" and have helped her "maintain a high GPA." Jackie’s college experience at Barton Community College has prepared her for her next step at Washburn University. After she completes her education, Jackie aspires to obtain employment in the medical field where she can assist people.

Jackie lives in Junction City with her husband and her dog, Jazzie. While in school she has held a few part time jobs, but has mostly been able to focus her time on her studies. In her spare time she enjoys relaxing with her husband, watching movies, reading books, and listening to music.

Jackie first heard about CKEOC when she was told about it by a classmate and again when she attended a presentation during student success class. Following the presentation, she made an appointment with the Junction City Coordinator to learn more about financial aid options. Jackie has since taken full advantage of the services, receiving help with "scholarships, choosing classes, and financial aid." She adds that CKEOC assisted her to "fill out my FAFSA with confidence as well." During her participation in CKEOC Jackie has referred several of her fellow classmates and states "I would recommend CKEOC to any student that needs information or help with financial aid".
SPRING 2014

MAIN CAMPUS PLANNING CALENDAR
January 2—May 29
Summer Enrollment Begins

March 8
First Day of 2nd 8-Week Session

March 17–21
Spring Break—Offices Closed

April 9
Last Day to Drop with Courses Recorded
As “W” on Transcript

April 15
Advisement Day for Fall Registration
No Day Classes

April 18–21
Easter Break—Campus Closed

May 12-15
Finals

May 16
Commencement

May 29
Last Day to Enroll in Summer Courses
Payment Due

FORT RILEY PLANNING CALENDAR
LSEC CYCLE 4 APRIL 10—MAY 22

FEBRUARY 18
Active Duty Military Registration Begins

MARCH 3
Open Enrollment Begins

APRIL 10
Last Day to Enroll (All)
*LSEC Cycle 4 Classes Begin*

COLLEGE PROGRAM CYCLE 3 MARCH 24—MAY 17

JANUARY 20
Open Registration Begins
MARCH 24
Last Day to Enroll
*College Program Classes Begin*

EOC STAFF AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU WITH QUESTIONS & EOC SERVICES

Liz Klima – EOC Advisor
Ray Kruse Coordinator/Advisor

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What’s New at BCC GED Program

Whether you want to attend morning or evening classes, Barton Community College Adult Learning Center GED program offers this option. The morning classes are held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 am till 12:00 (noon) and the evening classes are held on Monday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 pm till 8:30 pm and Saturday mornings from 8:30 am till 11:30 am. There is a $50.00 materials fee, and the cost of the official GED test is $30.00 a module, total cost for the test is $120.00. To help you along in this process of obtaining your GED, there are two Instructional Specialists to guide you on your path of achieving your goal. They are Emily Cowles and Jared Grillot.

Emily is the morning Instructional Specialist for the GED program. Due to growing up in the military, she has had the opportunity to live in many different places. She graduated from Ramstein American High School in Germany. Upon returning to the United States she received a Bachelor’s of Science in Food Science and Human Nutrition from the University of Maine, and her Masters of Science in Health Education from Mississippi University for Women. When asked why she wanted to teach in the GED program, she stated, “I enjoy teaching and helping others achieve their goals.” The one thing she hopes she can instill in her students is self-confidence. Her husband, Parker, works for the athletic department at Barton Community College. They have a Jack Russell Terrier named Piper. In her free time, she enjoys running, biking, swimming, frisbee golf, and rock climbing. Emily also enjoys traveling, especially to Maine!

If Jared Grillot looks familiar to you, it is probably because you have seen him on the Barton Community College Campus. He first worked for BCC as Associate Faculty Instructor in Basic Algebra and Cultural Anthropology in 2010, and in the Spring of 2011 taught full time at the GED Center. After leaving in July, he returned to campus in the Fall of 2012 where he is currently working as a Math and Science Specialist for Student Support Services (SSS) Tutoring Lab. In addition he is the evening Instructional Specialist for the GED Program until a long term Instructional Specialist can be hired. He graduated from Parsons High School, then attended Kansas University where he attained a Bachelor’s degree in Anthropology. He went on to receive a Post-Bachelor’s Certificate in Teacher/Math Education from Eastern Michigan University. He has furthered his education with Newman University in ESL/Curriculum and Instruction Master’s Program. When asked what is the one thing you hope to instill in your students, he stated, “Never be afraid to tell someone you need help.” His wife, Tina, is employed at BCC as the Coordinator of Industrial Technology Programs. There is never a dull moment at the Grillot house with granddaughter, Alana, around. He enjoys watching Jayhawks Basketball games and likes to BBQ and travel.

If you or know someone that is interested in obtaining their GED, contact Teri Maloy at 620-786-7560.

We are glad to be working with both Emily and Jared as partners to help students reach their educational goals.
The Manufacturing Skills Certificate courses and competencies were established by business needs and validated by industry employers. The Manufacturing Skills Certificate incorporates the Kansas WORKReady! Certificate to established foundational skills in addition to technical skills training.

The Manufacturing Skills Certificate program provides students with the skills necessary to obtain an entry level manufacturing job. The certificate covers various manufacturing skills, such as basic mathematics, industry standards, and blueprint reading. Industries that employed the largest number of manufacturing technicians included: machinery manufacturing, transportation equipment manufacturing, petroleum - coal products manufacturing, repair and maintenance, and plastics - rubber products manufacturing.

Statistics provided by the Kansas Department of Labor indicate that manufacturing technicians jobs will increase by 10.6% between 2010 - 2020. The current median wage for someone entering the manufacturing technician profession is $22.88 per hour.

For more information or to register, contact:
Tina L Grillot, Coordinator of Industrial Technology Programs
grillott@bartonccc.edu or (620) 792-9325

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2014 Schedule

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<td>Precision Measurement &amp; Quality Control (2credits)</td>
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Time and Location
5:30 - 9:00 pm; Monday - Friday
Center for Adult Basic Education, 1025 Main, Great Bend

Program Cost
$728 - out of county residents
$672 - Barton County residents
Textbooks are additional!

WIA Approved
Contact Kristin Doze, Lead Employment Specialist
KansasWorks - Great Bend
Kristin@kansasworkforceone.org or (620) 793-5445
2014 National TRIO Day

Barton Community College Educational Opportunity Staff participated in Wichita State University’s National Trio Day Town Hall Meeting February 13, 2014. The event featured Dr. Linda Byrd-Johnson, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, Department of Education. Several Trio staff and participants from across the state participated in an Question and Answer session with Dr. Byrd-Johnson. Dr. Byrd-Johnson enlightened the crowd with her approachable demeanor and honest responses to questions asked. Pictured are Dr. Byrd-Johnson in the middle along with BCC EOC staff.
GED CLASS ORIENTATION

Contact information for GED class orientation:

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ACT Test Dates

If you or someone you know are planning to attend a post-secondary college in the fall of 2014, it is time to mark your calendar for the following dates for the ACT test.

Dates for ACT tests are:

- April 12, 2014
- June 14, 2014

You may register online or by mail. The online address is www.actstudent.org and you can request a registration packet from ACT.

CKEOC Staff and Locations

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Liz Klima

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Ray Kruse

Secretary/Data Specialist
Mary Shane
About CKEOC

The Educational Opportunity Center is 100% funded by the U.S. Department of Education and is one of the TRiO programs. TRiO began with Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, in response to the administration’s War on Poverty.

TRiO programs include eight outreach and support programs targeted to help disadvantaged students progress from middle school to post-baccalaureate programs.

33 Counties Served by CKEOC

Barton  Mitchell  Rice
Clay    Morris   Riley
Cloud  Ness    Rooks
Dickerson Norton  Rush
Ellis  Osborne  Russell
Ellsworth  Ottawa  Saline
Geary  Pawnee  Smith
Graham  Phillips  Stafford
Jewell  Pottawomie  Trego
Lincoln  Pratt  Wabaunsee
Marshall  Republic  Washington