

Award Nomination Deadline Approaching

Nominations for KACCS Annual Awards are due July 15. This year, in addition to our Instructor of the Year award, we are also featuring a new Ambassador Award. Don't miss this opportunity to recognize your exceptional team members.

The KACCS Instructor of the Year Award is evaluated based on demonstrated response to student needs, contributions to campus community, effectiveness and originality and quality of recommendations. KACCS confers this award to an individual whose techniques and innovations

best respond to the needs of students in vocational training.

The Ambassador Award is evaluated based on demonstrated impact on campus community, the degree to which the nominee embodies the school's mission statement, efforts promoting program(s), efforts working across departments and efforts above and beyond expectations.

KACCS confers this award to a team member who recognizes the importance of and excels in their efforts to strengthen their campus and build

a sense of community.

The purpose of these awards is to encourage and recognize self-improvement in vocational education. Finalists will be recognized at the KACCS Educational Conference August 26th. Award winners will receive a trophy and \$200 cash prize.

Nominations will be accepted from current KACCS members in good standing.

For additional information and nomination forms, visit the documents page of the KACCS website at www.kycareercolleges.org.

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming KACCS Opportunities

The coming quarter, KACCS will have many opportunities available for members. Mark your calendar and plan to be involved!

Board Opening: KACCS will be naming a new board member this August. To be considered by our nominating committee, email a résumé or CV to Candace Bensel by July 15th. Terms are 3 years with a maximum of 3 consecutive terms.

Annual Business Meeting: The KACCS Annual Business Meeting will take place the afternoon of

Thursday, August 25th at Sullivan University, Louisville. Committees and the board of directors will present their annual report providing an excellent opportunity to learn more about the association and how you can get involved. Contact us for additional information.

Fair Labor Standards Act changes seminar: a seminar on changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act, which will go into effect December 1, 2016, will take place in conjunction with the Annual Business Meeting August 25th.

Continuing Education Opportunities:

In addition to the Annual Meeting and Educational Conference on Friday, August 26th (registration on page 5), KACCS is also currently working with the Ohio and Tennessee associations on a Regional Leadership Institute. Applications for this event will be available later this month on the KACCS website.

Committee Activity: Most committees meet monthly. Contact us for details on opportunities and upcoming schedules.

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President's Corner

This year's annual meeting brings the end to my term as the KACCS president. It has been an honor to serve our great membership in this capacity the past three years with an incredible and dedicated Board of Directors.

Our sector has been facing challenging times and, unfortunately, we have not yet seen an end to these difficulties, but times like these make the work we do when we come together so important. Whether through information sharing, speaking out as one voice or our efforts to both improve and stay at the forefront of education as we seek

Legislative Update

The 2016 General Assembly is now in the books. KACCS scored a major victory in 2016 with the passage of the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA). The bill allows schools in Kentucky to offer online courses in other SARA states as long as they meet the SARA requirements. This removes the need to be licensed in every individual state where online courses are offered, saving our schools

continuing education opportunities, the work our association is doing does make a difference even in the challenging times.

As we approach our annual meeting this August, I encourage all of our members to look at this time as a new year and a new opportunity to get more involved. While I do believe we already have a great organization, with you on our team, we will only become stronger. Whether you commit to joining a committee, apply for the board or attend more KACCS events and use those opportunities to network with your peers at our other member schools, I am certain you will see greater value in participating than in simp-

time and money, as well as improving access for students.

With the 2016 session behind us, the focus is now on the fall elections and the 2017 General Assembly. The election will be the latest attempt for Republicans to take control of the Kentucky House for the first time since 1921. There is a six seat partisan split in favor of the Democrats (53-47), so the Republicans need to pick up four seats to gain control, as-

ly being a member.

Over the next few years, we will continue to face challenges. Many of our members face unknowns following the recent NA-CIQI recommendation not to re-recognize ACICS. A change in administration this fall and the pending reauthorization of the Higher Education Act will also bring a great deal of uncertainty for our schools. And some of the challenges we have faced over the past six years will continue as we move forward. Despite these challenges, we know the positive impact we have on our communities, our local workforce and, most importantly, our students. We must continue the work we do in

suming they hold all the seats they have currently. If a change occurs, the agenda will change in Frankfort as well. Right-to-Work, repeal of the prevailing wage and confirmation of some of the reorganizations that have occurred in recent months will be in play. The chances for tax reform in 2017 will improve, although most feel that taxes will not be addressed in 2017 regardless of who controls the House.

our schools as we speak out to better educate about the important role our schools play in strengthening our nation.

As my role transitions and our new president takes the lead in our efforts, I will continue to support the association and our members as I join you in these ongoing battles and celebrate the victories we see along the way.

In closing, I'd like to thank each of you for the contributions you have made to ensure the ongoing success of our organization during my time in office. In particular, thank you to those who have served as board members. Your wisdom, passion and hard work inspire me and make me optimistic for the years ahead.
Jan Gordon, President

KACCS expects some challenges in 2017, including some possible changes to the law governing the Commission on Proprietary Education. We will also face challenges regarding National Accreditation with the recent turmoil at ACICS and our ability to access financial aid at the state level. KACCS will keep you updated as the session draws closer on these and other issues.

For additional information, contact Greg Brotzge at gbrotzge@impactgovrelations.com

Students Presented a Citation of Appreciation for Service Learning Project

Spencerian College's Surgical Technologist program students recently volunteered for KentuckyOne Health's Surgery on Sunday project. The students volunteered time to assist hospital staff and surgeons providing outpatient surgery and endoscopic care to underinsured or uninsured pa-

tients. This community service event and service learning project provided a team of twelve students with hands-on experience while making a true difference in the community. Kentucky Representative Linda Belcher (Bullitt County) recognized Spencerian students with a Ci-

tation of Appreciation that was presented to Sarah Patsfield, Director of the Surgical Technologist program and Surgical Technologist instructor Stephanie Weber by Spencerian Executive Director Jan Gordon at a faculty

meeting. Linda Blair, Spencerian's Dean and Chief Academic Officer, is also pictured.



Radio Personality Gets His Big Break After Graduating from ANU

Tune in to Hot 102.5 FM in Lexington, Kentucky, and you may hear American National University graduate Che' Carr lighting up the air waves. "I'm an on-air personality for one of the biggest radio stations in Lexington," said Che' of his career at Cumulus Media.

Che' began his career at Cumulus as an extern while he was a student in the multimedia production program (formerly radio and television broadcasting program) at the ANU Lexington Campus. He was hired by the company shortly thereafter, and soon advanced into his current on-air talent role.

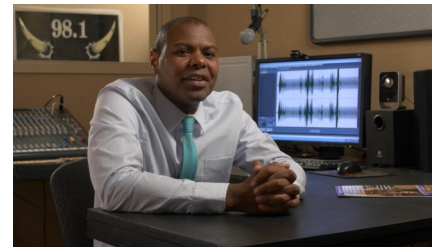
"My education has changed my life for the better," he said. "I would not be where I am today without ANU." After working as a DJ in clubs and volunteering at a radio station early in his career, Che' found that he didn't have the tools he needed to advance in the broadcasting field. "I really wanted to be a personality. I wanted to be a star," he recalled of his decision to enroll at ANU.

At American National University, he received hands-on training on the equipment that he uses in his studio today. "My instructor, [program di-

rector] Bill Gray, he knows all of the local radio and television station directors, promoters, and managers here in town...so I was learning from someone who wasn't just here to instruct, but actually had the experience who could tell me, 'Hey, this is what you need to do' ...and that was really beneficial for me," he explained.

Che' sees himself one day working as a program director or possibly in television, but for now he's enjoying every minute of his life in

the spotlight. "I get to meet a lot of great people. I get to meet a lot of celebrities. I get to do a lot of things that most people don't get to do," he shared. "Being a part of what makes this town great...and people knowing who you are, and recognizing you, and saying 'Hey... heard you on the radio and that was fantastic' - that's the best part of my job."



KACCS is partnering with the Ohio (OACCS) and Tennessee (TAICS) state associations for a
Regional Leadership Institute
 October 20-21, 2016 in Lexington, KY.



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This event is designed for emerging leaders at our regions private career colleges and schools. The institute will focus on campus leadership and the vital role each department plays in making our communities a success. This will be a hands-on, interactive learning experience. Look for applications for this event on the KACCS website later this month!

Mother and Daughter Realize Their Dreams Together

For Rhonda and Cortni Strobel, the lifelong dream of becoming nurses started in the family. Caring for her mother during illness formed Rhonda's decision to go back to school for nursing. Her own daughter, Cortni, remembers a childhood wrought with family health issues, cementing her feeling that nursing is what she is supposed to do. From the decision to go to school, through the daily challenges of the degree, the mother and daughter found support and motivation in their own familial bond, as well as the family they found at Daymar. "I've always wanted to be a nurse, but I had my daughter at a young age and went to work in customer service/management," Rhonda said. "I promised myself that when she graduated high school that I would go back for my degree and I

am proud to say I achieved that goal." "Her going through nursing school with me gave me the motivation I needed," Cortni said of her mother. "She believed in me from the very beginning. I always thought, if she can do this 20 plus years out of school, then I can do it now. We told each other we were going to start together, and finish together. We had each other to lean on, and I couldn't have made it without her." For two years, five days a week, Cortni and Rhonda were full-time students on Daymar's campus. They found the coursework challenging, Rhonda even describing it as, "the hardest two years of my life," but the curriculum was essential to prepare them for their careers. "Cortni provided motivation on the days I just wanted to throw in the

towel," Rhonda said. "And even if she didn't actually say the words to me, all I had to do is look at her and I would remember that I was doing this for her just as much as for myself." Today, Rhonda works as an emergency nurse and Cortni as an industrial nurse. Cortni says that Daymar, "prepared me to be a nurse, not just skill wise, but communication wise as well. We were always told, anyone can be taught the skills, but it's the caring, compassion and communication that it takes to be an amazing nurse." Though they've arrived at their dream jobs, their learning journey is not over. Cortni is going back to school at another university for her master's degree in Leadership & Management. Rhonda says nursing lets her continue learning

every day, providing endless opportunities to increase her abilities to help the people who need her. And, thanks to her Daymar education, she has, "the foundation to learn something new every day."

"As a parent, you are there to set a good example, and by going back to school to achieve a long awaited degree, I felt I was showing her that will power and determination will never let you down," Rhonda said. "She never stops teaching me life lessons," Cortni said. "She taught me to never give up on my dreams, no matter what life throws at me...she'll never know how much she inspired me by just going after her own dreams."



New Courses Available in the KACCS Online Training Center

ED 127 - Tablets as Teaching Tools is a new online course available in the KACCS Online Training Center, covering the impact that personal electronic devices, in this case tablets, have on the delivery of instruction. The course discusses the reasons for using tablets

in classroom and lab settings to enhance learning and expand educational resources for students. Strategies are given to enable instructors to see how the use of tablets can assist students in becoming active learners, both within and outside of the school setting.

CM 151 - Onsite Visits: Be Ready Anytime is also now available. This course is designed to aid campus leaders to be prepared, using best practices and practical tools, to host an onsite visitor at any time, including visits that are unannounced, by an

organization such as state agencies, veterans' organizations, regional, national and programmatic accrediting agencies and the Department of Education. Is your campus ready for a full unannounced visit at any time? Learn about these sessions and more at www.kaccstraining.org.



Kentucky Association of Career Colleges & Schools
2016 Educational Conference & Annual Meeting
Friday, August 26, 2016 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. EDT
Registration Form

Agenda:

8:30-9:00

Registration and
Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:30

Welcome

9:30-9:45

Break/Exhibits

9:45-10:45

Breakout Session A

10:45-11:00

Break/Exhibits

11:00-12:00

Breakout Session B

12:00-1:15

Lunch and
Awards Ceremony

1:15-1:30

Break/Exhibits

1:30-2:30

Breakout Session C

2:30-2:45

Break/Exhibits

2:45-3:45

Breakout Session D

3:45-4:00

Door Prizes/Sign Out

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this event at**

**Sullivan University
3101 Bardstown Rd.
Louisville, KY 40205**



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Breakout Session A (Select ONE)

- Title IV Regulation Outside the FA Office
- Unleashing Your Passion and Purpose: Reducing Stress, Increasing Creativity
- Recognizing National Accreditation at a Regionally Accredited University
- That's a Great Post! Can I Put it on Facebook? Let's Ask the DOE

Breakout Session B (Select ONE)

- The 7 MINDFRAMES
- The Culture of Communication: How to Make a Positive Impact in the Most Challenging Times
- Career Services in the Gainful Employment World: Designing a Program that Works

Breakout Session C (Select ONE)

- How to Communicate with Diplomacy and Tact
- Solving the Placement Puzzle...4 Pillars to Placement Success
- Academics, Metrics & Performance Evaluation: Using a Quarterly Evaluation System to Inform Development Efforts and Improve Accountability

Breakout Session D (Select ONE)

- Low Cost Tips that Improve Conversions
- Impact of Free/Open Educational Resources
- Problem Solving Through Communication: the Key to an Effective Academic Environment
- The Impact the General Election Will Have on the For-Profit EDU Sector

Costs	KACCS Members	Non-Members
Before August 12	\$99	\$125
After August 12	\$125	\$145

Total Enclosed: _____

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Thank you!

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Session descriptions available on the EVENTS page at www.kycareercolleges.org.

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To have your organization highlighted in a future KACCS newsletter, please submit your story ideas and best practices for consideration to candacebense1@kycareercolleges.org.

The deadline for the next Newsletter is Thursday, September 15th.

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