

Instructor of the Year and Rising Star Instructor Award

Faculty at career colleges are among the top resources in our organizations. The faculty's skills and excitement inspire students to get involved in their classrooms and excel in their areas of study as they prepare for new careers. KACCS takes great pleasure in partnering with McGraw-Hill Higher Education in recognizing the top instructors in our schools each year.

This year's Instructor of the Year award recipient, Mollie Banks of Daymar College, has been an educator since 1991 and has received multiple institutional awards of excellence during this time. Students describe Ms. Banks as, "passionate, caring and enthusiastic" and shared with the selection committee stories of her willingness to go, "above and beyond to give them the tools and guidance to achieve their goals." Ms. Banks' creativity, knowledge and passion prove to be a

powerful combination adding to her success in the classroom. In 2010, student pass rates for her campus were 89% on the CPC National Exam and 100% for the CMRS National Exam providing evidence of Ms. Banks' success in instruction technique in the classroom. The 2011 Rising Star Instructor Award was awarded to Dr. Robert Hale of National College. Dr. Hale brings 44 years experience in education to his classroom and continues to seek innovative methods for reaching his students. Dr. Hale encourages students to work together and think creatively. Of his efforts, one student states, "a new level of honesty and integrity became the character of the class."

Instructors nominated for these prestigious awards this year also included:
 Phil Bloomfield - Spencerian
 Tara Burke - National
 Scott Dudick - DeVry
 Angela Maynard - National



Pictured Top (Left to Right): Dr. Randall Wells, Daymar College, Mollie Banks, Instructor of the Year and Jim Lewis, McGraw-Hill Higher Learning.

Bottom: Jim Lewis, McGraw-Hill Higher Learning, Dr. Robert Hale, Rising Star Instructor and Kimberly Thomasson, National College



Danny McDonald - Daymar
 Virginia Patterson - National
 Tonnie Renfro - Spencerian
 Melissa Sullivan - Daymar

New KACCS Committees

In our current environment of high unemployment and nation wide goals to increase education levels, the work our schools are doing is now more important than ever. This, coupled with the passion of the team members at our member institutions has led the KACCS Board of Directors to recommend the implementation of several new committees and seeking member support to carry out

the goals of these committees. Current KACCS Committees include:

- Articulation Development
- Conference Planning
- Government Relations
- Public Relations
- Membership

For information on how you can get involved, please contact KACCS Executive Director, Candace Bensel.

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President's Corner

As the Association enters the fall quarter, we reflect back on a productive quarter and begin preparation for an active fall quarter.

As the summer months drew to an end, KACCS hosted one of the largest Annual Meeting and Conferences in the history of the Association. Faculty and Staff from career colleges across the Commonwealth were in attendance and benefited from

nationally recognized presenters. The excitement and energy of this event reaffirmed the desire our school leaders have to excel in their fields and offer the highest levels of education and support to students in our career colleges.

As we move ahead, the KACCS Board of Directors recognizes the value of these great leaders and their contribution to our industry as

well as their desire to get more involved with the Association. Recently, several committees began forming to further the goals of the Association and ensure the best possible outcomes for all Kentucky students. These committees are dedicated to working with the legislature as we enter into this next session, working with one another to form articulation agreements among KACCS

schools, continue offering the highest levels of training for the faculty and staff of our schools and much more. If you're interested in learning how you can become involved in a committee, please contact us for more information.

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Legislative Update

At its August meeting, the Kentucky General Assembly's Interim Joint Committee on Licensing and Occupations heard testimony from two former students of KACCS member schools. Jillian Cain Becht a graduate of ATA College and Lisha Stone a graduate of Sullivan College (now Sullivan University), told Committee members how their education changed their lives for the better. Ms. Becht and Ms. Stone were both single mothers support-

ing their families and juggling busy schedules. Both credited their schools for the flexibility and support they received, as well as the quality of instruction. Ms. Becht received a Diploma in Medical Coding, passed the certification exam and is now a quality assurance supervisor with her company. Ms. Stone received an Associate's Degree in Paralegal Studies and is now a paralegal with a Lexington law firm. Both credited their

education as a major factor in their success.

KACCS would like to encourage all our schools to share their success stories. If you haven't done so recently, now would be a good time to invite your legislators and community leaders to campus so they can see first hand the positive impact your school has on students' lives. If you need help planning your visit, KACCS is available to assist you.

Contact Greg Brotzge at gbrotzge@impactgovrelations.com or Candace Bensel at candacebensel@kycareercolleges.org for assistance or information.



Benefits to KACCS

The Kentucky Association of Career Colleges and Schools is a voluntary association of proprietary colleges and schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. These colleges and schools work cooperatively to ensure a quality career education for students in the Commonwealth.

Benefits of Membership include:

- Professional Development Opportunities for Faculty and Staff

throughout the year. KACCS holds multiple conferences each year and keeps schools posted on new developments in the industry as they arise.

- Legislative Advocacy keeps members informed on activity both in the Commonwealth and Nationally as well as giving members a voice in the legislative process.
- Networking opportunities with professionals in your industry. KACCS provides opportunities to

- collaborate on problem solving strategies for issues the industry faces as well as facilitating an exchange of best practices.
- Recognition on the KACCS website and at events the organization participates in throughout the year.
- Discounts on annual conferences and events.
- Publications including the quarterly newsletter and correspondence from other associations contain information to help your organization remain at

the top of its game.

- Support. Members of our organization are passionate about the work we do and the students we reach. We also are sensitive to the challenges schools face.

For more information on KACCS or for an application to join our organization, contact a representative from our board today. We look forward to having you on our team!

KACCS 2011 Winter Educational Conference

Each day, the faculty and staff of our organizations impact the lives of students and prepare them for exciting new careers. Professional development opportunities continue to keep the faculty and staff of career colleges ahead of the curve seeking new and innovative ways to reach students and provide the best possible services.

The KACCS Winter Educational Conference provides an opportunity for career college faculty and staff to benefit from nationally rec-

ognized presenters while networking with peers across the Commonwealth. This event also provides the opportunity to discuss best practices and new technologies available to continuously improve services within our industry. With both an administrative and faculty education track at this event, the most requested topics sought by our schools are represented this December.

Instructors will benefit from speakers discussing effective use of technology in the

classroom, successful development and implementation of online courses and motivating students in the classroom as they prepare for their educational journey and new careers. These sessions are geared toward educating our instructors on new technologies and ideas for inspiring students and increasing student success and retention in the classroom.

The administrative track this year impacts all areas of our institutions from educating on compliance mat-

ters to building teams to impact student retention and preparing students for gainful employment. For more information on this event, contact KACCS today.

Friday, December 2, 2011
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. EST
Daymar College
4112 Fern Valley Road
Louisville, KY 40219



Winter Educational Conference Registration

Name: _____

Title: _____ Email Address: _____

Institution/School/Business: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Secondary: _____

Please Select Session Group A or B (Options to Right in Tentative Agenda): _____

	KACCS Members	Non-Members	Enclosed
Before November 21	\$55	\$90	_____
After November 21	\$70	\$105	_____

Registration Fee Includes: Lunch, Break Service and All Materials.

Please make checks payable to KACCS and mail with this completed form.

It is important to KACCS that you enjoy this meeting. If you have any special needs or requirements, including dietary, please let us know.

TENTATIVE AGENDA:

- 9:00 - 9:30: Continental Breakfast/Exhibit Hall Open
- 9:30 - 10:45: Opening and Keynote
- 10:45-11:15: Break/Exhibit Hall Open
- 11:15-12:30: Breakout Session 1
- 12:30 - 1:30: Lunch/Exhibit Hall Open
- 1:30 - 2:15: Breakout Session 2
- 2:15 - 2:45: Break/Exhibit Hall Open
- 2:45 - 4:00: Breakout Session 3

Group A:

Breaking the Ice & Building a Team Unit to Impact Retention

Compliance

Gainful Employment Solved

Group B:

Motivation in the Adult Classroom

Using Technology in the Classroom

Getting Your Online Course Off to a Great Start

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**Upcoming Dates
And Events**

October 19, 2011
Board of Directors Meeting

November 6, 2011
Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 8, 2011
Election Day. Be sure to
vote and let your voice be
heard.

November 11, 2011
Veteran's Day

November 24, 2011
Thanksgiving Day

December 2, 2011
2011 KACCS Winter
Conference

December 2, 2011
Board and Committee
Member Combined
Meeting

KACCS Membership

ATA College
Louisville, KY
Beckfield College
Florence, KY
Daymar College
Albany, KY
Bellevue, KY
Bowling Green, KY
Clinton, KY
Louisville, KY
Madisonville, KY
Owensboro, KY
Paducah, KY
Russellville, KY
Scottsville, KY
Daymar College - Online
Louisville, KY
DeVry University
Louisville, KY
ITT Technical Institute
Lexington, KY
Louisville, KY
Lincoln College of Technology
Florence, KY
National College
Danville, KY

National College (Continued)

Florence, KY
Lexington, KY
Louisville, KY
Pikeville, KY
Richmond, KY
Spencerian College
Lexington, KY
Louisville, KY
**Sullivan College of Technology and
Design**
Louisville, KY
Sullivan University
Fort Knox, KY
Lexington, KY
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**Cengage Learning
Certified Healthcare
Elsevier**
The Learning House, Inc.
Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins
McGraw-Hill
Paradigm Publishing
Pearson Learning Solutions
Preston-Osborne
Student Resource Services
Tree of Life Books