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October 2022

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If you have information, ideas for new content, fun facts, or PCC trivia, send them to Audra for inclusion in the next newsletter.

>>> audrar@prattcc.edu

EARLY ENROLLMENT *begins*

Pratt Community College is opening early enrollment for Spring 2022 on October 11, 2022. Get in early on choosing the classes you want and get enrolled before we get into the busy holiday season!

Current students should schedule time with their advisor and new students can apply for admissions at prattcc.edu/apply to get started.

Pratt Community College can help you no matter where you're standing. We have so much to offer! We have a wide [variety of scholarships](#) and financial aid to help cover costs and multiple paths that are possible.

If you are new to PCC, the next step is setting up a campus tour with us! You may do so online at <https://prattcc.edu/tour>. Our tour form has a list of programs, athletics and activities that may interest you. We also have our College Planning Conference and Tech Day events coming up. That information is included on pages 4 and 7!

We'd love to welcome you to PCC, let us show you what's possible. Build a dam good future here!

OCTOBER 11, 2022



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here!
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Upcoming Dates

Mid-Term Week	10/3-7
Performing Arts Concert	10/9
Fall Break-No Classes	10/10
Early Spring Enrollment Begins	10/11
Board of Trustees Meeting	10/17
Rodeo at OSU Stillwater, OK	10/13-15
College Planning Conference	10/26
Rodeo at NWOSU Alva, OK	10/27-29

OCTOBER

IMPORTANT DATES

Mid-Term Week

October 3-7

Performing Arts Concert/Alumni Weekend

October 9 @2:30pm

Fall Break - No Classes/Faculty Work Day

October 10

Early Spring Enrollment Begins

October 11

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center

October 17 @6pm

Rodeo at OSU Stillwater, OK

October 13, 14, 15

Current Student Advising Day - No Classes

October 19

College Planning Conference

October 26

Rodeo at NWOSU Alva, OK

October 27, 28, 29

NOVEMBER A LOOK AHEAD

Performing Arts USO Show

November 6 @2:30pm

Performing Arts County Wide Choral Concert

November 10 @7:30pm

Performing Arts Jazz Concert

November 20 @2:30pm

Board of Trustees Meeting - Riney Student Center

November 21

Thanksgiving Break

November 23-25

For more upcoming dates and information, visit prattcc.edu/calendar



EARLY
ENROLLMENT
begins!



**SPRING 2022 ENROLLMENT
BEGINS OCTOBER 11**

CURRENT STUDENTS

Meet with your advisor

NEW STUDENTS

Apply at prattcc.edu/apply

For additional questions, contact:

pccadmissions@prattcc.edu

620-450-2217

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SPRING CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 11



COLLEGE PLANNING

Conference

INFORMATION

- WHO:** High School Students
- WHEN:** October 26, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
- WHERE:** Pratt Community College
Dennis Lesh Sports Arena
- WHAT:** Visit with various colleges and universities to begin exploring your college options!

Pre-register online at strivescan.com or through the StriveScan app. This registration provides a barcode that students can either print and bring with them or pull up on their phone for school representatives to scan.

Please use the west arena entrance and look for the welcome banner. We hope that your school will be able to attend and look forward to welcoming you to our campus.

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STUDENTS PRE-REGISTER ONLINE

at strivescan.com. Questions about the Automation Scanning? Contact us at 620-450-2217

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PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL TOURS FOR STUDENTS

USD 214 Ulysses High School Automotive Class Visits Live Shops at PCC

The high school Automotive class from USD 214 Ulysses Public Schools visited PCC, meeting directly with faculty and getting a close up look at the live shops in our Automotive, Ag Power (Diesel Tech) and Welding Technology programs.

They got to hear about the work they do for customers, see projects in progress, plus learn what it's like to work in industry. Our well-connected faculty like to answer questions from students and "talk shop" about the ever-changing landscape of industry and their own personal journeys in the business.

A common theme in the Automotive, Welding and Ag Power shops is that there are multiple paths you can take with the skill you'll build from your training at PCC, and that the demand for qualified workers is increasing with signs of no slowing down anytime soon.

You can get a great hands-on tour experience in our shops and get to speak directly with those you'll be learning from in class. Interested in scheduling a great tour? Contact our Admissions office at pccadmissions@prattcc.edu, call 620-450-2217!



PHS Visits PCC for GO Day



USD 382 Pratt High Greenbacks made a stop at Pratt CC for PHS GO Day (Greenback Opportunity) for high school juniors. In addition to getting to ask questions with a panel of PCC faculty and staff, students got a tour on campus that included Wojchiewowski Hall, the Linda Hunt Memorial Library, Riney Student Center facilities and notable offices inside Dennis Lesh Sports Arena.





PRATT CC TECH DAY

November 16, 2022 | 9:00am - 1:00p.m.

EXPERIENCE THESE PROGRAMS:

Agriculture
Agriculture Power Technology (Diesel Mechanics)
Allied Health
Automotive Technology
Business & Accounting
Electrical Power Technology (Linemen)
Electrical Power Technology (Support Specialist)
Information Network Technology
Welding Technology
Wildlife Outfitting & Operations

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Meet fellow incoming students
- Speak directly with PCC faculty and staff
- Hear from current students

**REGISTER
TODAY!**



For more information, email
pccadmissions@prattcc.edu
or call 620-450-2217

Be entered to win a \$500 PCC tuition scholarship & Beaver gear!

Register at prattcc.edu/techday

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Guest Speakers Visit Business & Accounting Class at PCC

Employees from Peoples Bank visited a Pratt Community College Accounting and Business class. Connie Panek and Nicole Curtis informed the students about Peoples Bank and career opportunities with the bank.

The Accounting and Business program gets regular guest speakers to the classroom. Visit our website to learn more about [Accounting and Business at PCC](#).

If you're interested in learning more about what we have to offer at PCC, the first step is setting up a campus tour. [Set up a tour today!](#)



Student Life Activities at PCC

The Student Life department at PCC put on several activities throughout September. Students enjoyed Grocery Bingo, the Roommate Quiz game, a UFC 270 watch party and a Spike Ball Tournament, to name a few. Students are also encouraged to support Beaver Athletics with free popcorn or goody incentives to the first groups students to arrive. Thank you to the Student Life department for all they do for our students! More great stuff to come for October!



PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE PERFORMING ARTS



SOUTHWEST TRUCK PARTS, INC. PRESENT THE 6TH ANNUAL

HOT & COLD BIG RIG TRUCK SHOW

PRATT, KANSAS

Pratt Community College's Encore singing group sang at the Hot & Cold Big Rig Truck Show in Pratt, KS.

The annual event for the community is hosted by [Southwest Truck Parts, Inc](#) in Pratt, Kansas. The event included a parade, convoy-style along with a cornhole tournament, concert, fireworks, awards and raffles.

Encore performs at many community events and venues in Pratt, KS and beyond. If you're interested in booking the Encore group at an event, [visit our website](#) or contact Misty Beck at mistyb@prattcc.edu

[#OurMiddleNameisCommunity](#)



You may also check out the Performing Arts schedule for 2022-2023 on the next page!



Pratt Community College
Performing Arts
2022-2023 Schedule

Alumni Concert

October 9 2:30pm

USO SHOW

November 6 2:30pm

Concert of Choirs

PCC Pratt High Skyline High PCC Kids

November 10 7:30pm

Jazz Concert

November 20 2:30pm



December 2 & 3 at 7:30pm

December 4 at 2:30pm

Valentines Dinner Show

February 12 6pm

Reservations required \$15 per person

SPRING MUSICAL

March 31, April 1 at 7:30pm

April 2 at 2:30pm

Encore Finale

April 23 2:30pm

Choir & Jazz Concert

May 7 2:30pm

*All concerts and shows in Carpenter Auditorium
and \$5 admission unless otherwise noted.*

MENTAL HEALTH MINUTE



Global Priority

The World Health Organization (WHO) continues to recognize World Mental Health Day on October 10th. The theme this year was set by the World Federation for Mental Health as "make mental health and wellbeing for all a global priority."

Mental health organizations continue to make sure that mental health stands out as an important factor in overall health because mental health problems exist all around us – our personal lives, in the lives of our family or friends, workplaces, communities – and they impact everyone.

We get the chance to talk about mental health in a general communication, how we need and should look at and after it, and how important it is to talk about things and get help when we struggle. This is why WHO and other global organizations utilize the month of October and this specific day to help put a call on global, national, and local government to help make mental health resources a priority.

As an example of the initiatives set forth by groups like WHO and the World Federation for Mental Health, the United Nations (UN) sets up activities, events, and panel discussions throughout the month of October to promote mental health awareness. Let's make our mental health at PCC a priority. Stop in and talk to anyone in the Student Success Center or schedule a time to visit with me.



Amanda Wade
Licensed Professional Counselor

To schedule an appointment, email Amanda Wade at amandaw@prattcc.edu or call 620-450-2263.

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CELEBRATE DIVERSITY TEAM

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

For nearly four decades now, the country has recognized October as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. It is a time annually devoted to educating everyone about breast cancer — including metastatic breast cancer (MBC) — and the importance of early detection and access to timely, high-quality care.

No matter who you are or where you live, breast cancer may touch your life. It's necessary to understand the warning signs of breast cancer, your risk of breast cancer and what's normal for you so you can take action if there are any changes in your breasts or underarm areas.

Since 1989, Susan G. Komen has helped drive down mortality rates from breast cancer thanks to our focus on early detection and improvements in treatment. However, that progress may be in jeopardy. During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people delayed their regular breast cancer screening. The pandemic disrupted treatment and research progress.

And more progress is still needed. Through research, growing knowledge about breast cancer has led to new therapies and targeted treatments that improved outcomes for many people. It is research that brings hope to people facing this disease, especially those living with MBC. We need to ensure more treatment options are available for all people facing breast cancer, especially when treatments stop working.

The COVID-19 pandemic also highlighted the inequities in breast cancer treatments for under-resourced communities across the country, as well as the inequity in treatment between Black and white women.

Source: Komen.org
<https://www.komen.org/about-komen/our-impact/breast-cancer/>

Black women in the U.S. are about 40% more likely to die from breast cancer than white women.

That's why Susan G. Komen encourages you to dedicate this October as a time of action — both for yourself and others.

1 in 8 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. That's one person every 2 minutes in the U.S.

The two most common risk factors of breast cancer are being born female and getting older.

In 2022, it is estimated that nearly 44,000 people in the U.S. will die from breast cancer.

The Komen Breast Care Helpline is a free resource available for every person, including survivors, caregivers, those living with metastatic breast cancer and people who have not yet been touched by breast cancer but have questions about how to better care for themselves.

The Helpline specialists and oncology social workers provide emotional support and guidance to resources and Komen's other Patient Care Center services, such as financial assistance, access to screening and diagnostic services, and patient navigation.

Need Help?
1-877-GO KOMEN (877-465-6636)
helpline@komen.org
Mon-Fri 9am-10 pm ET
Se habla español.



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Contact Lisa Perez-Miller at
lisam@prattcc.edu for more information.

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BEAVER ATHLETICS

2021-2022

Visit gobeaversports.com for schedules, rosters, statistics and more!



Beavers Remain Undefeated in Conference Play



The Pratt Community College Women's soccer team hosted the Hesston College Larks for Sophomore Day on October 1st. The Beavers wasted no time going up 2-0 within the first two minutes of the game. The Beavers added four more goals to take a 6-0 lead at halftime.

In the second half, the Beavers were held scoreless but also held the Larks scoreless to win 6-0. Pratt is 4-0 in the conference and 7-1-1 overall.

Freshman Ashlynn Kurtz had a hat trick (3 goals) in the game. Freshman Faye Butterworth and sophomores Whitney Young and Natalia Richartz added a goal on the afternoon. Richartz also had an assist during the game.

"It feels really good and I'm glad I have the support system I do of my team and I wouldn't be where I am right now without them," said Richartz. "I couldn't be more grateful."

After the game, the team recognized the eight sophomores for sophomore day. The team will travel to Southeast Community College in Beatrice, NE on Wednesday, October 5. Match begins at 2:00 pm.

"I am excited for our team to continue to win and I believe we are going to finish this season undefeated and I am excited to do it with them," said Richartz.

Read more on all Beaver Athletics teams on GoBeaverSports.com

Beaver Sports continued...



Beavers Win Second Straight Conference Win at Home



The Pratt Community College Men's soccer team hosted the Larks of Hesston College on October 1 at the Pratt Soccer Complex.

On what was sophomore day, the Beavers wasted no time taking a quick 3-0 lead and held onto it for the remainder of the game. Sophomores Joao Neves Santos and Rory O'Connor as well as freshman Gustavo Dias Juliani scored in the afternoon's match in front of a packed crowd. Both starting keeper Brandon Bumgarner and sophomore keeper Julian Layne were able to keep a clean sheet.

This year's group of sophomores were recognized before the start of the game. The Beavers advanced to 4-3-2 and 2-2 in conference play. This was back-to-back home conference wins for Pratt after defeating Central Community College-Columbus 3-2 on Saturday, September 24.

The team will travel to Beatrice, NE on Wednesday, October 5 to face the Southeast Storm. The Storm defeated the Beavers 4-2 earlier this season in Pratt.



Beavers Pick up Two Wins During Triangular at Beaver Dome

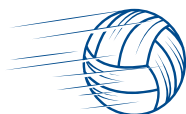


The Pratt Community College Volleyball team picked up two wins September 30 against Fort Scott Community College and Bethany College (JV). Both wins came as a part of a triangular the team hosted in the Beaver Dome.

The Beavers faced the Greyhounds of Fort Scott Community College to start the afternoon off. In the first set, the Beavers held on to win 25-21, but were unable to hold on to their momentum in the second set losing 25-11. Pratt was able to respond in the third set with a 25-22 win to lead the match 2-1 heading into set four. The team held on to win the match 3-1 with a fourth set victory of 25-22.

Later that evening, the Beavers faced Bethany College (JV) after the Swedes had come back from a 2-0 deficit to defeat Fort Scott 3-2. Pratt wasted no time in the match winning set one 25-7 and set two 25-20 to take a 2-0 lead.

The Swedes were not going to go down easy as they managed to win set three 25-17. With a 2-1 lead, heading into the fourth set, the Beavers decided to not let the Swedes repeat their comeback from earlier in the day and won set four 25-19 to win the match 3-1. Pratt doubled their total wins on the season and now sit at 4-13 overall and 0-7 in the conference as of October 2, 2022.



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TRACK & CROSS COUNTRY

Beaver Cross Country Team Results

Greeno/Dirksen Invitational
Lincoln, NE
Sept 17, 2022

Chile Pepper XC Festival
Fayetteville, AR
Oct 1, 2022

2022 BEAVER CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

GREENO/DIRKSEN INVITE | LINCOLN, NE

Finish	Women	Time
149	Jamaira Ross	20:32.8

Finish	Men	Time
104	Collin Turley	26:32.3
240	Crispus Atukwatse	29:38.3
284	Colton Ohlde	31:54.8
308	Apostolo Zuniga	35:25.1
310	Jace Baker	35:52.6
317	Arron Orr	43:12.7

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2022 BEAVER CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

CHILE PEPPER XC FESTIVAL | FAYETTEVILLE, AR

Finish	Women	Time
30	Jamaira Ross	19:20.5

Finish	Men	Time
54	Collin Turley	26:57.0
102	Crispus Atukwatse	27:51.7
310	Colton Ohlde	33:19.5
324	Jace Baker	34:53.3
325	Apostolo Zuniga	34:56.1
353	Arron Orr	42:26.4

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At the Chile Pepper XC Festival meet in Fayetteville, AR **Jamaira Ross** broke the school's women's 5K record. On the men's side five out of the six runners were able to improve their time in some way. Either as a personal best, season best, or course best.

Be sure to follow [Pratt Community College Athletics](#) on Facebook for results on Beaver Athletics!





eSports Competed In NJCAAe Invitational Qualifier



The Pratt Community College eSports team competed in the National Junior College Athletic Association eSports (NJCAAe) Invitational Qualifier Round 1 tournament September 3-4. The team competed in three separate games including Rocket League, Call of Duty: Vanguard, and Super Smash Bros. Ultimate.

The Rocket League team consisting of Dakota Manz, Teagan Seibert and Nathaniel Moore started competition off against the two-time defending NJCAAe Rocket League champions from Lincoln Land Community College (LLCC).

The team lost round one 3-0 against the Loggers, but would receive a first round bye in the losers bracket and would win in round two against Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College due to a forfeit. They faced Heartland Community College in round three of the losers bracket and would end their tournament in a 3-0 loss.

The Call of Duty: Vanguard team consisting of Brandon Roblyer, Luke Schmidt, Waddie Sandford and Dakota Manz kicked off their tournament as the number one seed and received a first round bye. In round two, they faced the Blue Dragons from Hutchinson Community College (HCC) and lost 3-0. In the losers bracket, the team faced the University of South Carolina-Sumter (USC-S) and lost 3-0 to end their tournament.

Freshman Matthias Holmes competed in Super Smash Bros. Ultimate and took on a competitor from Salt Lake Community College. Holmes lost his first match of the tournament 3-0. He was scheduled to compete against Coastal Bend College in the first round of the losers bracket, but won due to a forfeit. On the second day of competition, Holmes faced Tallahassee Community College and lost 3-0 to end his tournament.

"It was a tough weekend for the eSports team, but a great learning experience for the level of competition we will face this season," said Head eSports Coach Charles Keefer. "This is the highest level of competition the eSports team has ever competed in and the level our program must get in order to be successful."



2022-2023 Beaver Athletics Schedules



2022-2023 Basketball Schedules Released



The Beavers will play seven non-conference opponents throughout the season and will participate in three jamborees before starting Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference (KJCCC) play on November 16.

The Beavers will tip off their 2022-23 season by hosting the Rattlers of Otero College on November 1st. Before starting the regular season, the team will travel to two showcases in Mansfield, TX and Lawrence, KS and will host several teams at home on October 28 for preseason scrimmages. In addition, the Beavers will face Western Oklahoma State College, Life Prep Academy and four JV opponents throughout the season.

"We have a group this season who really likes to be together both on and off the court. They enjoy being around each other which I believe will help us in the long run. We have two veteran points guards in DJ Bailey and Qai Kellman and we like their experience and leadership. We have a ton of young wings and a couple experienced ones at the same time, but we tried to add length to that position. We have Aviel Palmer and Quintin Metcalf returning in the front court. We have a good mix of experienced and young players and we like how it is shaping up right now.

-PCC Men's Basketball Coach Kenny Eddy



Click each photo to see the team schedule. Read all of the latest news in Beaver Athletics courtesy of GoBeaverSports.com

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HOG ROAST

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OCTOBER 8TH

WOODY'S SPORTS BAR AND GRILL 7PM
DINNER RAFFLE AUCTION

FREE DINNER

\$20/5 RAFFLE TICKETS

\$5/1 RAFFLE TICKET



HOSTED BY:

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RSVP: KEN KEPLEY

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**BACK TO
PRATT
JAM**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8
SIXTH STREET PARK**

- 12:00-11:00PM BEER & WINE GARDEN/FOOD TRUCKS
- 12:00PM-5:00PM ART WALK
- 12:00PM-5:00PM CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AND VARIOUS OTHER EVENTS
- 12:00PM-5:00 PM VENDOR/CRAFT FAIR
- 5:00PM-7:00 PM JX3 BAND
- 8:00PM-11:00 PM THE MIX BAND

We're Hiring!

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OPEN POSITIONS:

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- Assistant Women's Basketball Coach/Residential Supervisor
- Dean of Technical Education/Accreditation Liaison Officer
- Admin Assistant to the Athletic Director
- Welding Instructor
- Marketing Communications & College Relations Specialist
- Assistant Athletic Trainer
- Bus Drivers
- Clinical Adjunct Instructors--Allied Health

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