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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Spotlight

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Important Reminders:

- Check with your SSS advisor on a regular basis. We want to know how you are doing.
- Check your mailbox in the SSS office weekly. Information, announcements, and sometimes a surprise will be placed in your box.
- It is not too late to apply for Pell Grant funds. Pick up your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) today.

Important Dates

March

Spring Break.....9-15
10-week Check-ins.....23-27
Commencement Applications Due.....27
Last day to withdraw (full session).....30

April

Easter Break (College closed).....3-5
Registration Begins Summer/Fall.....6
Last Day to Request a Tutor.....9
Last day to Withdraw, Second session.....20



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Stay Positive, and Don't Give Up

We are nearing the halfway point of the semester, and we understand this can be a very hectic time. Be sure to use the resources you have in Student Support Services, keep a positive attitude, and don't give up! We are here to support you!

We are thrilled to have Mary Lockey on the SSS team as our new Intake Coordinator/College Transfer Advisor. Mary brings a wealth of experience to this position and has hit the ground running helping many of you with your transfer plans, as well as coordinating upcoming visits to WCU in mid-March.

Our ten-week check-ins will be the week of March 23, so mark your calendar. Better yet, contact your advisor now to schedule your appointment so you can discuss your progress, as well as start planning for summer and fall registration.

As always we are here for you. If this is your first year in SSS, please remember to contact your advisor five times this semester; second-year students need to touch base two times.

Mark



SSS volunteered at the Cullowhee Community Garden in the fall. We will volunteer again this spring. Hope you can join us!!

Welcome Mary Lockey to SSS!

It's great to be back at Southwestern Community College! And it's an honor to be part of the Student Support Services team. I have worked at Guilford Technical Community College and Western Carolina University, and while they are both excellent schools, the focus on student success at SCC is unparalleled.

I will be working with college transfer students, and I believe that my experience at WCU will help as I guide students in the transfer process. Having worked at a "receiving" institution, I know how to help our students anticipate each step of the transfer process – what's involved, the time line for enrollment, the questions to ask the university advisor, etc. Transferring to a university is very exciting and a monumental step for students. I'm looking forward to joining our students as they start their journey at SCC.



Hurray! Hurray!!



Stanley Kingsberry (Automotive Systems Technology) recently was featured on WLOS TV and in the Citizen-Times, Smoky Mountain News and other publications for the patent he developed for a magnetic wrench. He also was invited to speak with administrators at Harris Regional Hospital and did a fantastic job. Congrats Stanley!!

FREE Tutoring!

FEELING CHALLENGED BY A COURSE...REQUEST A TUTOR-IT'S EASY AND IT'S FREE!

THE LAST DAY TO REQUEST A TUTOR IS
THURSDAY, APRIL 9.

STOP BY SSS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(or online @ www.southwesterncc.edu/tutor-program)

Tutor Program Coordinator: Laurie Butler, 339-4231

Do You Have What It Takes to Be a Tutor?

If you have a strong expertise in an academic subject area (grade A or B), a G.P.A. of 3.0 or greater, and would like to assist fellow students, see Laurie about becoming part of the SCC CRLA certified Tutor Program.

