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Butler Mission

Butler Community College exists to develop responsible, involved lifelong learners and to contribute to the vitality of the community it serves.

“Voices with Vision”

Introduction

Butler has embarked on a journey, which places Learning at the heart of our institution. This is the journey of the Learning College, an institution driven by quality and dedicated to engaging its students in learning experiences, which expand their minds and spirit.

When students and stakeholders choose Butler, we choose them. We are dedicated to their success and driven to bring out their very best. When they succeed, so do we. We are a Learning College. Learning is at the heart of what we do. (Rev. 07/09)

Our Vision

Butler will be the Learning College of Choice for the region, engaging students and other stakeholders in exceptional instructional programs and services that directly relate to their needs and prepare them for success. (Rev. 7/07)

Strategic Priorities

To serve as the Learning College of Choice for the region, Butler will focus its efforts upon the following strategic priorities:

- Advance 21st century skills through the Learning PACT (Personal Development, Analytical Thinking, Communication and Technology Skills) with our students.
- Build student engagement inside and outside the classroom.
- Respond with agility to area employer demands.
- Expand resources through entrepreneurial endeavors.
- Enhance the college’s facilities and grounds

(Rev.7/07)

Butler Learning College Principles

As a dynamic, responsible Learning College, Butler faculty, staff and administration:

Focus On Learning

We seek student and stakeholder feedback and use that feedback to shape programs and services that are directly related to their learning needs. We rely upon documented evidence to determine that improved and expanded learning takes place.

Assume Personal Responsibility

We assume responsibility and ownership in helping to achieve and maintain performance standards that contribute to the college’s mission and key performance indicators.

Advance Active Engagement In Learning

We act as learning facilitators, engaging students and co-workers in a variety of learning experiences inside and outside the classroom setting.

Provide Multiple Learning Opportunities

We sustain safe, functional and inviting learning environments to offer a variety of programming and services options that meet the learning needs of students and other stakeholders.

Value Our Human Resources

Through our active engagement in systematic institutional and personal growth and development, we foster a climate of excellence in which all employees are empowered to contribute to the advancement of the college's mission, vision and learning college principles.

Make Decisions Based On Facts

We use the best available integrated data, information and performance measures to facilitate student learning, to guide our continuous improvement efforts at the department, division and college-wide levels, and to guide our daily planning and decision-making.

Plan Strategically For The Future

We plan with the future in mind, using a strategic planning model that allocates limited resources for optimum effectiveness, productivity and efficiency in meeting student and other stakeholder needs.

Respond With Agility

We effectively respond to opportunities, changes and threats in our environment, continually seeking new or adapted ways to respond to the learning needs of our students and other stakeholders.

Link With External Communities

We foster mission-related linkages and partnerships to address student and stakeholder needs and to contribute to the economic and social well-being of our region.

Model Our Principles and Timeless Values

Administration inspires faculty, staff and students also to model the Learning College Principles and the college's timeless institutional values of Quality, Integrity, Service and Caring. (Rev. 7/05)

Timeless Institutional Values

- Quality
- Integrity
- Service
- Caring

Butler's Learning PACT With Our Students

Butler prepares students to be principled, productive individuals who are responsible, involved lifelong learners.

To accomplish this goal, Butler has established a Learning PACT for the skills that learners acquire during their career.

The Learning PACT Skills are vital for any adult to function successfully in the ever changing world of the 21st century. The Butler Learning PACT consists of:

P = Personal Management

A = Analytical Thinking Skills
C = Communication Skills
T = Technological Skills

A productive future in the global marketplace depends upon having developed these skills.

The Butler Learning PACT is integrated throughout all of the college's academic and vocational programs in:

- Coursework
- Extra curricular activities
- All other learning opportunities

The Butler Learning PACT

Butler students' work will demonstrate:

P = Personal Management

- Make smart personal life choices
- Interpersonal interaction
Interact with respect for others in a diverse world

A = Analytical Thinking Skills

- Problem Solving
Find workable solutions for real life problems
- Critical Thinking
Make informed decisions for challenging situations

C = Communication Skills

- Creation and delivery of messages
Write and speak effectively
- Reception and interpretation of messages
Observe, listen and read effectively

T = Technological Skills

- General computer use
Use computers and the internet proficiently
- Discipline-specific technology
Use specialized technology effectively

(Rev. 7/08)