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2008-2009 ACADEMIC YEAR

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE UPCOMING SEMESTERS

FALL 2008

August 18 Faculty Reports August 25 Classes Begin September 1 Labor Day Holiday **September 8** 12th Class Day November 13 Last Day to Drop With a "W" November 27 Thanksgiving Holiday December 8-11 Final Exams December 11 Semester Ends December 15 Grades Due in Registrar's Office December 24 **Buildings and Offices Close for** Winter Holiday

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January 2	Building and Offices Re-Open		
January 12	Faculty Reports		
January 19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday		
January 20	Classes Begin		
February 2	12 th Class Day		
February 20	District Conference Day; No Classes		
March 16-20	Spring Break		
March 20	Holiday for Students & Employees		
April 16	Last Day to Drop With a "W"		
May 11-14	Final Exams		
May 14	Semester Ends; Graduation		



Photo by Michael Marion

In the past, the graduation ceremonies have been held in the gymnasium, but the graduates and their friends and families now number beyond the gym's capacity. So in spring 2008, it was moved to Loos Field in Carrollton.

IT ALL STARTS HERE



Photo by Matt Keyser

The fourth floor is home to many of North Lake College's student support services (listed below). Students check in at the Welcome Center first, then proceed to Academic Advising for assistance.

A-Building is Home to Centralized Student Services

hen current and future students enter North Lake College's Welcome Center in the A-Building, they receive instruction on how to take advantage of the many services available in the A-400 area.

They can access information through computer kiosks, locate various departments or receive individual reports required for them to proceed to the advising and registration area in the main lobby.

After checking in, students can proceed to Room A-415 and sign in for assistance from an advisor.

If students are eligible to self-register, they may be directed to the self-registration area in Room A-417. Registered students will need to visit the college's cashiers who work just down the hall from the advising and admissions area.

If students require testing for either TSI or skills identification, they can visit the Testing Center in Room A-425.

For other student services located on the fourth floor, see the list at the right of this page. If you have any other questions, the Welcome Center staff will be happy to help you.

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ONE COLLEGE • FOUR CAMPUSES

CENTRAL CAMPUS • NORTH CAMPUS • SOUTH CAMPUS • WEST CAMPUS

By Myka Williams | Staff Writer

Ithough North Lake College's Central Campus may appear to students as a new school with its library, parking and construction, the college just celebrated its 30th anniversary and recently opened its third satellite campus this fall.

Dr. Enrique Chamberlain, head of the NLC library and an employee for 35 years in the Dallas County Community College District (DCCCD), said that the District's Board of Trustees thought it was appropriate to name the college North Lake because there was a Dallas lake north of the campus near Coppell called 'North Lake'.

There is also a town named Northlake (one word) in Denton County close to the Texas Motor Speedway. Population: 1,276.

And now there's a North Lake College North Campus in Coppell.

Too much North Lake for you? Let's start with the beginning to this story – the lake itself. Located between MacArthur Blvd. and Beltline Road, the lake and its surrounding property borders Coppell and Irving. It's hard to find information about the lake, but the *Handbook of Texas* says it was intended as a cooling reservoir for an electric generating plant.

The drainage area above its dam was three square miles and was run by Dallas Power

and Light Company. "It used to be a City of Irving park," said Leigh Poston, an NLC advisor.

Luminant Energy is a natural gas power plant located on property north of the lake.

According to the *Handbook*, in 1978 the lake was used for fishing, in addition to industry purposes, and the Dallas Parks and Recreation Department began fertilizing the lake's waters and stocking it with bass. Swimming was not allowed.

But now a private developer owns 522 acres and plans to build Cypress Waters, a residential development of 11,000 housing units, and Coppell officials are concerned



that the project will overwhelm city and school services.

According to The Dallas Morning News, the Coppell Independent School District also wants a portion of the property (125.831 acres) to build schools and help the education capacity.

City leaders in Coppell and Irving are discussing the possible purchase of more than 900 acres at North Lake. Legal proceedings have gone on for four years, but a court date to determine the land's value is Sept. 8.

South of North Lake on MacArthur Blvd. is North Lake College's Central Campus. It is one of seven campuses in the DCCCD: El Centro College (1966); Eastfield (1970); Mountain View (1970); Richland (1972); Cedar Valley College and Brookhaven (1978).

The District's Chancellor is Dr. Wright Lassiter Jr. and the president of NLC is Dr. Herlinda Glasscock. (See biographies at right.)

Some of North Lake College's Central Campus contributions are: Technology

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Campus

building, Natatorium, Library, baseball field, gymnasium, Science and Medical Professions Building, general classroom building and Performance Hall.

In Coppell, just northwest of the Central Campus at Highway 121 Sandy Lake Road, is the North Lake College North Campus, scheduled to open in fall 2008.

Marco Hinojosa, executive director, is looking forward to

building the campus' enrollment and community involvement over the next five years. "The North Campus will provide a high-quality education for all students who attend," said Hinojosa. "Students will have a highly qualified and caring faculty, and a place where they can do individual research and group work."

All classrooms on the North Campus (37,229 sq. ft.) have plenty of offerings. The facility will have space for: 13 "smart technology" classrooms; multi-purpose room equipped with presentation technology; three cutting-edge computer labs; registration, advising and financial aid services; comprehensive Learning Resource Center; wireless access throughout the campus; Dual Credit; Workforce Development and Continuing Education.

The South Campus, an 11-year-old satellite campus of NLC, is presently located in the city's Human Services building near Irving Blvd., at 440 S. Nursery Road, until its new campus is built at the southeast corner of Shady Grove Road and MacArthur Blvd. in south Irving.

The new 15.6-acre site has an approximate completion date of spring 2009. The new campus will include 23 classrooms and other facilities spread across 50,000 sq. ft. of floor space.

The courses include computer instruction, GED testing and preparation in English and Spanish, work-force English classes, dance classes and defensive training. Students can use the computer lab to complete assignments, check e-mail, or search for jobs when a class is not in session.

The West Campus is located near the airport at Freeport Parkway and Highway

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114. The Construction Education Foundation (CEF) is a self-supporting foundation with widespread participation providing the finest in construction industry training.

The West Campus is the culmination of that partnership. It is a renovated 60,000 sq. ft. facility

Campus_A Map by Tom Ritchey that shows an investment

\$1.5 million by the college and participating construction companies in the DFW area.

Courses provide the technical knowledge and hands-on skills for students to find career opportunities in the residential, commercial, and industrial construction industry. NLC offers training in construction management, construction technology, masonry, plumbing, commercial heating and air conditioning, and glazing.

Overall, North Lake College includes four campuses that cover about 416 acres. It's safe to say that North Lake College has something for everyone.



Dr. Wright Lassiter, Jr.

District Chancellor

Dr. Wright Lassiter, Jr. was named the DCCCD chancellor on June 12, 2006, after serving as interim chancellor. Lassiter has a long history in education and with the district, serving as the president of El Centro College for 20 years and on the Chancellor's Cabinet since 1986. Dr. Lassiter has also served on the board of directors of the African-American Museum, Dallas Baptist University Foundation, Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce, Dallas AIDS Education Commission, Urban League of Greater Dallas and the Dallas Rotary Club.

DCCCD LEADERSHIP



Dr. Herlinda Glasscock

North Lake College President

Dr. Herlinda Martinez Glasscock came to North Lake in January 2002 from her previous position as Vice-President of Student Learning at Richland College, also a part of DCCCD. Dr. Glasscock began her twentyeight-year career in higher education as a founding faculty member of El Paso Community College, where she taught reading, study skills and English as a Second Language. She also served as the dean of instruction at South Plains College at the Lubbock campus, and was chief academic officer for the Community College of Denver.

RESOLVING CAMPUS ISSUES

STUDENTS CAN COMMUNICATE WITH COLLEGE LEADERS USING SEVERAL METHODS

hen North Lake College students have an issue with an instructor, a class or any other concern, there are several ways to reach a solution.

Talking and attempting to resolve issues using interpersonal communication skills is the best place to start. When that fails, registering your concerns using one of NLC's channels of communication is another option.

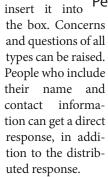
Informal Complaints

A new method of taking the pulse of North Lake students is the use of the "listening box."

North Lake College President Herlinda Glasscock fosters openness on campus, and the listening box campaign is a way to gather input from the entire campus community, process questions and concerns and distribute answers back to the campus community.

Listening boxes are stationed around the NLC campus and everyone, including staff and faculty, may fill out a form and

WE'RE LISTENING!



Resolutions to listening box concerns are sometimes featured in the News-Register, North Lake's campus



Photo by Matt Keyser

Peter Akawung deposits a form into the Listening Box located outside SPAR.

newspaper, and are also available on the NLC Web site:

www.northlakecollege.edu/aboutnlc

Formal Complaints

Students who wish to pursue a formal complaint process will find well established guidelines to use.

A complaint can be filed initiating a formal investigation by the college's administration.

A "complaint" is an issue that is important to the student but does not rise to the level of a "grievance" as defined in the Student Code of Conduct.

In these circumstances, students can do one of two things:

They can leave a written complaint at the SPAR office for the president of the Student Government Association (SGA). From there, the SGA president will pursue the matter using appropriate administrative channels, or written complaints may also be filed with any dean or vice president. They will investigate the complaint and, if necessary, refer the student to an appropriate person on the college staff.

Whomever formally investigates the complaint will be responsible for communication with the student within 30 days of the complaint.

For a list of deans and department staff, go to the college Web site:

www.northlakecollege.edu/academics

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

tudent rights and responsibilities at North Lake College, known as the "Student Code of Conduct," are published in the 2008-2009 North Lake Catalog, found at: www.northlakecollege.edu/studentlife/spar.html and also in the Fall 2008/Spring 2009 calendar published by Student Programs and Resources (SPAR). The calendar is free to all students and is available in A-223.



ADA DISABILITY SERVICES

OFFICE HAS VARIETY OF SERVICES

he Disability Services Office (DSO) coordinates accommodations to enable students with disabilities and/or special requirements to participate fully in the educational experiences available at North Lake College.

Students with physical, psychological, sensory or learning disabilities may be eligible for services and/or accommodations through the ADA Disability Services Office. Students receive individual academic advising, regis-

tration and disability related information.

Accommodations are coordinated to fit the individual needs of the student, including reader/scribe services, sign language interpreters, computer-aided, real-time translation (CART), note-taking, special testing arrangements, the use of specialized adaptive equipment or technology, loan of specialized equipment and large print materials.

Extensive information and referral services are also available.

Contact ADA Disability Services at: 972-273-3165

972-273-3165 or visit their office in Room A-430 on the Central Campus

VETERANS AFFAIRS

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS, TUTOR SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE

he college assists veterans with completing proper forms and coordinating the certification procedures for monthly benefits administered under the auspices of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

The college Veterans Affairs Office may also provide information about VA educational benefits and assist with accomplishing enrollment and arranging tutoring services. The VA Web site is www.va.gov.

VA regulations are subject to change without notice. Contact North Lake College's Veterans Affairs Office at 972-273-3165 or stop by room A-430 for information about current

regulations and procedures. Direct questions about specific financial benefits to the VA Regional Office at 1-888-442-4551.

Under the Hazlewood Act, certain Texas veterans can attend Texas public colleges and have tuition exempted. To be eligible, the student must:

- Have been a resident of Texas at the time he or she entered the service
- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Have an honorable discharge, or general discharge under honorable conditions
- Must currently be a Texas resident
- Must submit a qualifying benefits letter from the VA Office in Muskogee, Okla. (To

obtain the letter, call 1-888-442-4551.)

- Have served at least 181 days of active military duty.
- Not be in default on any federal educational loans.

Texas state law requires that all veterans requesting assistance under the Hazlewood Act must complete a Hazlewood Exemption Application/Release form that will be used to report and track the amount of benefits that each veteran has used. Veterans are limited to 150 credit hours of exemptions.

Contact North Lake College's Veterans Affairs office in A-430 for help in completing this form.

RISING STAR PROGRAM OFFERS ASSISTANCE

STUDENTS RECEIVE INDIVIDUAL ACADEMIC SUPPORT

he Rising Star Program (Room A-428) provides qualified high school graduates from Dallas County high schools with financial assistance and academic support services to attend any college in the Dallas County Community College District.

The program provides up to \$4,000 for tuition and books. Every year the Foundation makes more than 1,500 scholarship awards totaling several hundred thousand dollars.

The DCCCD Foundation is governed by a board of local business and civic leaders who represent a virtual "who's who" of not only Dallas, but national and even international leadership.

Students enrolled in the Rising Star Pro-

gram receive individual academic support such as academic advising, tutoring, transfer assistance and help completing the financial aid process. To qualify for Rising Star, a graduating high school senior must have:

- Attended a Dallas County public high school or Dallas CAN! Academy.
- Meet eligibility guidelines for financial assistance.
- Graduated in the top 40 percent of their class OR had a "B" average OR passed the required skills assessment exam before enrolling in college classes.

You have until Nov. 1 in the same year you graduate from high school to be considered for eligibility.

The Rising Star Scholarship Program is

supported by the DCCCD Foundation. The foundation promises students that if they stay in high school, graduate, demonstrate a modest level of academic potential and have specific financial need, then the foundation will guarantee them the chance to earn a two-year college education.

For more information about the Rising Star Program, contact the Educational Partnerships and Student Recruitment Office at 972-273-3116.

DEADLINES TO APPLY FOR RISING STAR

Summer - April 15; Fall - July 1; Spring - November 1 Apply for a Rising Star scholarship online www.foundation.dcccd.edu



Photo by Glen Sovian

The Dragon Boat, Kite and Lantern Festival in Las Colinas celebrates Asian traditions and promotes education.

International Student Services

Students Born Outside U.S. Can Utilize Many Programs

orth Lake College has a thriving International student population representing over 60 countries so far this academic year. Low, out-of-country tuition and small classes help make North Lake a great place to pursue an education.

The International Student Services Center offers services to students who were born outside the United States or whose native language is a language other than English.

The center is located in Room A-418. Academic Student Advising is available on a walk-in basis during business hours; International Student Advising is available for walk-ins, but making an appointment is advisable.

The telephone number is 972-273-3155, and the e-mail address is nlcintl@dcccd.edu.

Some Services Provided

• English as a Second Language advising for students seeking a college degree

- Assessment & referral of ESOL students for placement testing (COMPASS)
- Assistance for students with degree planning, course selection and registration
- Information on community referrals, personal counseling, financial aid and career advisement

International Student Services

- Advisement for F-1 and potential F-1 students regarding the admissions process
- Assessment and referral of International F-1 students for placement testing (Accuplacer and THEA)
- Assisting F-1 students at registration
- Orientation and info sessions for new F-1 students
- Ongoing immigration advisement regarding new USCIS regulations
- Employment and other informational workshops
- Liaison to various community services
- International Club

We have students from over 60 different countries:

Bahamas • Bangladesh • Belgium • Belize • Brazil • Botswana • Burkina Faso • Cameroon • Canada • Chad • Colombia • Congo • Costa Rica • Côte d'Ivoire • Ecuador • The Gambia • Germany • Ghana • Guatemala • Honduras • Hong Kong • India • Indonesia • Iceland • Ireland • Jamaica • Japan • Kazakhstan • Kenya • Lebanon • Malawi • Malaysia • Mexico • Moldova • Mongolia • Morocco • Nepal • Niger • Oman • Pakistan • Panama • Peru • Philippines • Romania • Russia • Somalia • South Korea • Sri Lanka • Sweden • Switzerland • Syria • Taiwan • Tanzania • Thailand • Ukraine • United Kingdom • United States • Uruguay • Venezuela • Vietnam • Yemen • Zambia • Zimbabwe

A United Campus

International Day weaves together a fabric of diversity

By Pradip Giri | Staff Writer

erman sausages, Lebanese greens and wheat, Italian sausage, exotic jewelry, beautiful women, gorgeous clothes from India, Nepal, Pakistan and the Philippines – all were part of International Day 2008 at North Lake College.

"[Learn] how to make a tabouli salad," Mona Cherri called from the Lebanese table in the courtyard. Cherri, a native of Lebanon who teaches business and information technology, said the annual celebration encourages students to demonstrate their cultural diversity and make new friends on campus.

Mitra Bhattarai, an English major from Nepal, said he misses the easy camaraderie shared by residents of his homeland, but added: "This kind of celebration among the international students of different countries helps."

The annual event is organized by Student Programs and Resources, or SPAR, as well as the International Student Center.

North Lake student Roxana Portillo sampled pizza from the Italian table and declared it a hit.

The North Lake Dance Team performed at the festival.

Tracie Hernandez, who teaches English at North Lake, said she thoroughly enjoyed the people, food and music at the German table.

Pramoda Paul, an advisor with the International Student Center, wore a stunning sari to International Day, which she said "unites [people from] different countries and promotes their cultures."

Farida Iqbal, a student from the United Arab Emirates, presented a fashion show featuring several other international students.

Iqbal also is vice president of North Lake's International Club. She said the annual celebration is a success in team-building.

"North Lake College does an excellent job," Iqbal said. "It made a second home for international students."







Photos by Victoria Stafford

Music, dance, food and traditional clothing are important elements of the annual International Day celebration.

DUAL CREDIT COURSES MOTIVATE MINORS

ADVANCED HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS EARN COLLEGE CREDIT

growing number of students are stepping up to earn college credit before they even graduate from high school. North Lake College helps make this possible with dual credit and concurrent enrollment.

The benefit to high school juniors and seniors is exposure to a challenging curriculum that helps prepare them for future college work while also satisfying their high school curriculum. Dual Credit students receive credit at both the high school and college levels.

In addition to dual credit partnerships with Irving and Coppell Independent School Districts and Cistercian Preparatory School, North Lake has also partnered with the North Hills School and University School of Las Colinas.

Concurrent Enrollment

Concurrent Enrollment differs from Dual Credit in that students receive college credit only. Dual Credit and Concurrent Enrollment high school students must meet the same qualifications as any other NLC student. High school students must have a letter of recommendation from their school's counselor.

For more information, call the Educational Partnerships and Student Recruitment Department at 972-273-3041, or visit their office on the fourth floor in A-428.



Photo by Ed Arnold

Marissa Kirk, (left), director of the Dual Credit program, with Jenna Adkinson, who received her associate degree on May 2, 2008. She received her high school diploma a month later.

Eligibility Requirements for Dual Credit Courses

- $\bullet \ Qualifying \ test \ scores \ for \ courses \ in \ English, \ science, \ history, \ government, \ economics, \ math, \ computers, \ languages, \ humanities$
 - TAKS Language Arts 2200, WS 3, Math 2200
 - TAAS WS 1770, Reading 89, Math 86
 - SAT Verbal 500, Math 500 and a combined score of 1070
 - ACT English 19, Math 19 and a composite of 23
 - Accuplacer Reading 78, Writing Obj. (equal to or greater sign) 80 and essay (sign) 6 Math 64 (College Algebra requires additional testing.)

GO CENTERS ARE A 'GO'

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RECEIVE MENTORING ON THEIR CAMPUS

orth Lake College students are serving as mentors to high school students in Go Centers, which are located at four Irving ISD high schools: MacArthur, Nimitz, Irving and The Academy.

What is a "Go Center"?

A Go Center is a designated place at the high school where G-Force members provide answers to questions about colleges and careers. A computer, printer, college brochures, applications, financial aid information, career data, class schedules, etc., are all resources found in a Go Center to help high school students learn more about their ability to go to college and the opportunities available to them.

What is "G-Force"?

G-Force (gravitational) members are college students who help high school students learn about academic programs, careers, financial aid options, and what college is all about.

G-Force members provide helpful information but also mentor and support high school students who might not have otherwise thought about college.

Go Centers are part of a much larger initiative entitled Closing the Gaps by 2015. This is a plan to increase the number and participation of all students in higher education in

To do this, a college-going culture is needed, and to build this culture requires the co-

operation of individuals at all levels of education. The goal of a Go Center is to get more students into college; hence the logo – Education, Go Get It.

At each high school, the Go Center is open twice a week for 3-4 hours. High school students are encouraged by their counselors to visit the Go Center, and other students independently visit the Go Center.

Sometimes, G-Force members are allowed to make class presentations. These G-Force members have a passion for spreading the word about North Lake College and helping high school students realize their dreams for a better life.

G-Force members are being recruited now. Contact Lesly Castillo at 972-273-3153.

CAREER RESOURCES AVAILABLE

JOB AND CAREER SERVICES FOR CURRENT AND FORMER SUDENTS



Photo by Victoria Stafford

The Career Services Center at North Lake College organizes a career fair twice a year for students. The upcoming fall semester job fair is Oct. 23. April's date has not been set. The center can help with resumes, too.

efore spending time and money on classes you can't use, consider a visit to North Lake College's Career Servic-

All current and former DCCCD students, including credit and non-credit students, alumni and other community members, can receive Career Counseling and Guidance - free of charge.

The resource center offers a variety of services, including computerized guidance systems, career counseling, job search, resumé preparation, job fairs, on-campus recruitment and career seminars.

values and is designed for students who have not decided on a major.

The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator gives information on your personality



Photo by Ed Arnold

The Discover Test focus- The job fairs are held in the Gallery or gymnasies on interests, abilities and um and attract more than 70 local companies.

and suggests careers that people with your personality tend to pursue and careers that people with your personality tend not to pursue.

> The center has a computer template for resumés, and mock interviews are held to develop skills.

> Career Planning and Placement Specialists offer individual assistance with all aspects of the job search process.

> The Career Services Center is open 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., on Fridays. Appointments are not necessary but are encouraged.

For more information about any of their programs, or to make an appointment, call Career Services at 972-273-3140, or e-mail NLCCareers@dcccd.edu, or visit their location in Room A-337.

FEDERAL GRANT YIELDS SUCCESS

FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS COACHED BY TRIO STAFF



Photo Special to The Blazer

First generation college students can receive one-on-one tutoring by qualified TRiO staff in English, accounting, math or science. he TRiO program provides support to students who are motivated and serious about obtaining an education. The staff works with students to provide realistic planning, transfer information and academic advisement.

TRiO is a federally funded grant program where students qualify to receive support services. The two eligibility requirements are:

- First generation college student (neither parent earned a bachelor degree)
- Financial need (based on number of people in the household and annual income)

All of TRiO's services are free to those who qualify, and the program specializes in one-on-one tutoring, academic advisement, transfer information, scholarships, financial aid assistance, study skill workshops, and college tours.

Those interested should call 972-273-3150, or visit the TRiO office in Room A-413.



TRIO UPWARD BOUND

NLC Prepares Local High School Students For College

he goal of the TRiO Upward Bound program, now funded for five more years at North Lake College, is to prepare and enroll students for college who might not otherwise have the chance to attend.

The TRiO Upward Bound program recruits students in grades 9 and 10 who attend The Academy of Irving, and MacArthur, Nimitz and Irving high schools.

The program is limited to 50 participants and provides free after-school tutoring during spring and fall semesters, academic advising for high school curriculum and college admissions, and social and academic enrichment workshops.

The group meets one Saturday every month during the fall and spring.

Students are taught effective time

management and study skills, test-taking strategies, career exploration and more.

Upward Bound works closely with high school instructors and counselors to help determine which students qualify for the program. A six-week summer session is offered at North Lake College.

Instructors are hired to teach critical skills in math, science, English Language Arts and foreign languages to prepare participants for their next academic year.

The program also provides a T-shirt and all meals during the week, including field trips.

On Fridays, students visit cultural and educational sites.

For more information about the Upward Bound program, call 972-273-3377. To visit its Web page, use the Web address: www.northlakecollege.edy/resources/upward.html.



Photo courtesy of Upward Bound

Students from all four high schools of the Irving Independent School District can apply to participate in the TRiO Upward Bound program at North Lake College.

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STUDENT RESOURCE CENTER IS POPULAR ON CAMPUS

he Student Resource Center connects students with technology for academic and personal success.

The center uses Software such as Adobe Photoshop, Diet Analysis, Dragon, English Mastery, Interactive Mathematics, Internet Explorer 6, JAWS, Kurzweil 3000, MS Office 2003, MS Visual, MS Works and Word-Perfect 2002.



Photo Matt Keyser

Students can take advantage of more than 90 computers with Internet access.

Using their student I.D., students may check-out books, headphones, movies, notes and telecourse videos at the front desk. They can also take advantage of more than 90 computers with Internet access.

Peer Tutoring is also available to help students with their study skills. Bring notes, syllabi and hand-outs with you for one-on-one tutoring or group tutoring.

Printing and copying are available for 5-cents per page using the Pay-Per-Print system (no coins are accepted, only paper currency). Students can open an account at the "Value Stations." Pay-Per-Print accounts can only be used on the North Lake campus.

Student ID's are required in the Student Resource Center, and ID's are also made in the center.

The Student Resource Center is located in Room K-307, above the cafeteria. 972-273-3427

Hours Fall & Spring

Monday - Thursday, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Summer

Monday - Thursday, 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Rules

- No cell phones may be used in the SRC.
- No children are allowed in the SRC
- Keep food or drink away from computers
- Be courteous of others in the SRC

The Student Resource Center also offers:

- Lab Assistants to assist students
- Student I.D. Center
- Movies that can be checked-out for three days or viewed in the resource center.
- Scanner for pictures.
- VCR/DVD players available.
- Fax machine for local faxes (calling

card needed to send a fax to a long-distance number.)

- Accounting and economics tutors to assist with accounting programs and materials.
- LeCroy/North Lake telecourse videos for semester-long checkout.

TESTING YOUR KNOWLEDGE

TESTING CENTER AVAILABLE FOR ALL YOUR TEST-TAKING NEEDS

he North Lake College Testing Center is located in the A-Building, in room A-425. The staff administers assessments for students who are in the process of registering for classes at NLC. It also gives instructional exams for teachers.

Students may choose to receive credit by exam through computer based CLEP or DANTES exams. Both CLEP and DANTES allow students to test-out of college courses by demonstrating college competency in a specific subject.

The center is equipped for both computerized and paper-pencil tests. Private rooms are available for special accommodations by appointment.

All students are required to provide a photo ID for all exams taken in the testing center.

For more information on the Testing Center, call 972-273-3160.

Fall & Spring & Summer

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday & Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Winter & Maymester

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday & Saturday: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

TESTING CENTER RULES

You must show a photo ID – This ensures you are who you say you are. You must turn in all testing materials – This ensures test information remains secure.

Cellphones are prohibited – This ensures a quiet, distraction-free environment.

Leave all personal items in lockers Personal belongings are not allowed in the testing area.

No children allowed – Make arrangements for childcare before your test date.

Don't forget you are digitally monitored by the Testing Center staff.



THE PERFECT OUTDOOR CLASSROOM

he Hawaiian Islands are a unique outdoor labora-

tory with more than 90 percent of its native plants and animals found nowhere else in the world.

While exploring the islands of Oahu, Hawaii and Kauai, students will study the terrestrial ecology, marine ecology, geology and oceanography. The program, which offers courses that total 13 credit hours, includes Environmental Biology 2406, Botany 1411, Earth Science 1401 and Physical Fitness 1123.

Sessions include classroom and lab instruction at North Lake College and a field trip to the Arbuckle Mountains. Then the group will depart for a two-week field studies course in Hawaii.

Tuition is due at the time of registration. Enrollment is limited to 48 students in a group. Classes start in March 2009 and end the last week of May, taking place on weekends only. The group will depart for Hawaii the first week of June

For more information about the trip, visit www.north-lakebiology.com/hawaii_index, e-mail hawaii@dcccd.edu, or call 972-273-3279.



Photos by Matthew Dempsey

(Top) The sunset in Waikiki Beach on Oahu. (Bottom) Students from the 2008 trip gather among the roots of a Morton Bay Fig tree in the National Tropical Botanical Garden on Kauai. The course is 13 credit hours. Call Matthew Dempsey, 972-273-3279, for trip information.

TECHNOLOGY ON THE LAKE

Courses give students an edge

he cutting edge of Technology can be found in the Business and Information Technology (BIT) Learning Center at North Lake College. Students wishing to pursue a career in technology or take their existing careers to the next level should investigate the Business and Information Technology Learning Center (T-135). Students of all skill levels will find a program to suit their goals.

Conducted in state-of-the-art labs and taught by highly-qualified faculty, IT classes reflect current topics in industry, as well as fulfill requirements for certificates and associate degrees in Computer Programming, Computer Networking, Web Design, UNIX and PC Support.

Students interested in enhancing their credentials can enroll in Microsoft, CISCO, Oracle, or A+/N+. As an official Microsoft IT Academy, BIT offers MCSE,

MCSD, MCDBA, MCAD, MCSA, .Net, and MOS Certifications. Our renowned Cisco Program is an approved CISCO Local Academy, providing CCNA and CCNP CISCO Certifications. Oracle10g Certification classes promote our official Oracle Academic Initiative membership. CompTIA A+ and N+ Certifications provide a basic foundation for more advanced certifications.

Beginning fall 2008, courses in Second Life Scripting will be offered by the BIT learning center, covering Linden Scripting Language, or LSL, the programming language used in Second Life (for more details, visit DCCCD's Second Life home page at www.dcccd.edu/ SecondLife).

In addition to certificates and Associates in Office Technology, courses offered in this program will prepare students with computer skills from

basic keyboarding through advanced software applications and data bases. Students may also pursue CAP/CPS Certifications through the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP).

While BIT offers both a one-year certificate and two-year Associates Degree in Computer Programming, the most exciting news in COSC is the new matriculation agreement with UTA, which accepts transfer of several classes, increasing the number and quality of students into engineering and computer science disciplines from NLC.

Classes are offered weekday, evening, weekend and on-line. Stop by the Business and Information Technology Learning Center, T-135, or call 972-273-3450 and experience the success' available from "... Technology on the Lake!"

BUSINESS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

CENTER'S CLASSES CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE

o you want to advance your career and increase your earning potential? A rapidly changing economy means more opportunities for those who have specific business knowledge and skills.

By specializing in a particular area of study, you'll be prepared to meet the challenges in a wide variety of industries and fields. A degree from NLC is valued by companies nationwide. Classes are offered weekday, evening, weekend and on-line.

Programs available from the Business and Information Technology Center include:

- Accounting Associate Degree of Applied Sciences
- Accounting Assistant Certificate
- Accounting Clerk Certificate
- Business Administration Associate in Applied Sciences
- Human Resources Certificate
- Hospitality Management Associate in Applied Sciences
- Logistics Associate in Applied Sciences (AAS)
- Management Associate in Applied Sciences (AAS)
- Management Certificate
- Supervisor Certificate
- Mortgage Banking Associate in Applied Sciences
- Real Estate Associate in Applied Sciences (AAS)

The Hospitality Management program offers courses developed for the restaurant and hotel industry. With the explosion of restaurant, hotel and convention business in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, there are plenty of job openings for top-quality workers in the hospitality industry.

The Logistics Management and Technology program offers specialized courses in warehouse, traffic, transportation management, storage and distribution, and inventory control. The Dallas Logistics HUB near Lancaster, Texas, is one of the largest points of distribution and logistics in the United States. See information at the Allen Group: www.dallashub.com/Secondary. aspx?id=691.

The Management program gives working students an opportunity to improve their management skills while earning up to 12 college credit hours through on-the-job training. Whether you're a seasoned manager, a new manager or an aspiring manager, this program can meet your development needs. The mentoring component has also been very successful.

The Real Estate program provides a practical approach to developing knowledge and techniques used by skilled professionals throughout the industry. Graduates of the program satisfy the educational requirements for licensing while earning college credit toward an Associate for Applied Science (AAS) degree. The Certificate program develops the basic skills for a real estate salesperson.

YOUR COLLEGE LIBRARY

A Passport to a World of Knowledge



Photo by Ed Arnold

NLC's library will appear on the cover of the September issue of Choice: Current Reviews for Academic Libraries.

▼he most vital and active place at North Lake College is the library, which houses exponentially expanding information in print and electronic resources covering the world. It is the heart of collaborative learning, as students, faculty and librarians search together at the reference desk, the state-of-the art library instruction facility, the seminar room, study rooms, and informal groups. It is an active and welcoming place.

North Lake librarians have at least a master's degree and spend many hours teaching library instruction classes and teaching at the reference desk. They are familiar with resources in all subjects taught here, and are quick to locate unusual resources.

This year's focus will be on expanding services to off-campus locations and distance education students. The collection increased in many areas, including construction and nursing (whose certification the library strengthened).

Coppell and South Irving locations will house carefully selected print resources and share numerous subscription databases and electronic books with North Lake and the district libraries. Library instruction and reference services, as well as circulation, are available to serve all locations.

Demand for resources and services will likely rise, and librarians will creatively keep pace with increasing depth and scope of support in a changing information world.

CONTINUING EDUCATION ENRICHES LIFE

CENTER SERVES THE COMMUNITY WITH A VARIETY OF CLASSES

orth Lake's Continuing Education/Contract Training provides a diverse array of courses/ programs in response to our community's educational/training needs and in support of the college's mission and objectives.

- · Courses are provided to train, upgrade, update and retrain employee's skills needed in the workplace.
- Provide on-site training programs for businesses, corporations and community-based organizations' employees and

- meeting workforce changes/challenges in existing and emerging industries.
- Provide special interest, personal and professional enrichment programs, which foster a better quality of life for our citizens.
- Continually strive to be the Educational, Training and Community "Partner of Choice."

Continuing Education class catalogs are available at the Welcome Desk on the 4th floor of the A-Building or in the CE center, H-201.

For more information, call 972-273-3386 or 972-273-3587.



Photo by Matt Keyser

Courses are available in Continuing Education to train, upgrade and update skills.

THE NATATORIUM

FITNESS OR LEISURE SWIMMING ALWAYS ON THE AGENDA

he North Lake College Natatorium is equipped with a removable roof and serves as both an indoor (October-April) and outdoor (May-September) facility year round.

The fifty-meter, eight-lane pool is temperature-controlled and fully equipped with a teaching pool, chair lift, and handicapped entry/exit ramps.

Adult swimming lessons are offered for all skill levels, from terrified beginning adults to seasoned athletic competitors. A variety of aquatic fitness classes are offered, including both shallow- and deep-water exercise. Some classes are designed specifically for older adults. Times, descriptions and cost for the class offerings are listed in the credit and continuing education schedules both in print and on the Web.

For students, faculty and staff wishing to participate in personal fitness or leisure swimming, an NLC ID card or daily fee is required in order to use the North Lake College Natatorium.

Admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for youths age 16 and younger. Special events on certain dates may preclude normal swim hours.



Photo by Matt Keyser

Swimming lessons are offered for all skill levels in the Natatorium.

Hours

Monday-Friday 6-8 a.m. Monday-Friday 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday 6:30-10 p.m. Friday 6:30-9 p.m. Saturday 1-8 p.m. & Sunday 1-5 p.m.

Fee Structure

Students enrolled in NLC PHED courses

and NLC Faculty and Staff: No Charge.

NLC non-PHED students and

community members: \$45 for 3 months.

FITNESS CENTER

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES AVAILABLE WITHOUT EVER LEAVING CAMPUS



Photo by Matt Keysei

The Fitness Center allows you to get in shape year 'round, both indoors and outdoors.

he North Lake College Fitness Center is the perfect place to get in shape year 'round, both indoors and outdoors.

Equipped with a full line of weight machines, free weights, Stairmasters, treadmills, and pro-

grammable stationary cycles, the Fitness Center is fully equipped to provide for your physical conditioning needs regardless of your fitness level.

When you prefer to exercise outdoors, you can take advantage of Lakeview Trail, our half-mile walking/jogging trail.

Staff and faculty are available to help you

set and obtain goals.

You must be 18 years of age or a credit North Lake student to participate. Registration is available on an individual basis for a full three-month period of access through Career and Community Education regardless of

when you register.

Warning: It is always advisable to check with your physician before beginning an exercise program. If you are over 40, smoke,

have high blood pressure or other chronic disease or family history of heart disease, have had recent surgery or physical limitations, it is mandatory you consult a physician before enrolling.

Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday
4 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Location: F-106 Director: Steve Cummings
Phone: 972-273-3530 scummings@dcccd.edu

NORTH LAKE COLLEGE ATHLETICS

THE BLAZERS' BLUE & GREEN SPIRIT IS HIGH ON ALL LEVELS



Photo by Cathy Vanover

The dance team performs at all basketball games under the guidance of Brenda Parker-Braswell.

Athletic Director: Dan Joutras

Phone: 972-273-3518

Basketball Coach: Tim McGraw

Phone: 972-273-3521

Volleyball Coach: Steve Cummings

Phone: 972-273-3522

Baseball Coach: Corey Mercer

Phone: 972-273-3242

Soccer Coach: Adrian Gonzalez

Phone: 972-273-3539

Tennis/Golf Coach: Harvey Miller

Phone: 972-273-3520 **Fitness:** Lona Parr Phone: 972-273-3519 Monica Clausen Phone: 972-273-3527 orth Lake College is a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). The winner of the Metro Athletic Conference advances to the Nationals.

North Lake College takes pride in placing student athletes in four-year chools.

- Under the leadership of Coach Tim McGraw, more than 46 basketball players have gone on to play at four-year universities in the past ten years.
- The basketball team has won the conference the past two years; the basketball team finished fourth in the nation in 2000 and 2007, and won the National Championship in 2006 and 2008.
- The baseball team was runner-up at the 1994 National Tournament and finished third in the nation in 1992.
- Soccer is an up-and-coming sport at North Lake and in its fifth year. A member of the women's soccer team was selected to the All-Conference first team in 2004.
- It is the third year for volleyball. The Lady Blazers made the playoffs in 2007. Coach Steve Cummings is looking for good things out of this year's team, which will be going to Arizona and Florida.
- Admission is free to all games.
- Check the NLC Web site for game times and locations:

http://www.northlakecollege.edu/athletics/



Photo by Jason Joyce

Three players on the men's Blazer baseball team made All-Conference in 2008, and one was drafted by the Red Sox. It was the third time that a player from NLC was selected in the MLB draft.



Photo by Danielle Freeman

Women's soccer is in its fifth year and is under the direction of Coach Andrian Gonzalez.



Photo by Jason Joyce

Last year the Lady Blazers volleyball team made the playoffs.



Photo by Lotis Butchko

Men's Blazer basketball team members celebrate in New York March 15, 2008, after winning their second National Championship in three years.

GRADES ARE A BIG DEAL

North Lake College emphasizes more time with books than time in the gym

By Lotis Butchko | Sports Editor

he term 'student athlete' is becoming extinct at some colleges around the nation. Here at North Lake, though, student athletes are what the coaches are all about.

"Our number one goal at North Lake College is for athletes to go on to play at fouryear schools," said Athletic Director Dan Joutras. "And their number-one objective should be grades."

Since opening in 1977, North Lake has never been sanctioned by the National Junior College Athletic Association for any academic violations.

Maybe that is because of North Lake's attention to detail.

Every player in each sport has a grade sheet. Those grade sheets are taken to athletes' classes every six weeks, and the teachers report the students' absences, current grades, and any additional comments.

Grades are becoming a bigger deal at four-year colleges. All athletes are required to carry at least 12 hours, but most carry 15.

Not all athletes have demonstrated the ability or intent to maintain that pace.

Recently, freshman football player Joe McKnight, a standout at the University of Southern California, was forced out of athletics because he dropped a class and allowed his course load to fall below the required 12 hours.

North Lake's student athletes have fared better. "I am very pleased with our coaches and how they handle the grades," said Joutras.

Last semester, Coach Corey Mercer's baseball team had four players on the Vice President's Honor Roll, which is for full-time students with a grade-point average, or GPA, of 3.5 or higher. Mercer's crew also sent a player to the Academic Recognition List, which is for part-time students with a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

It is not just the baseball team that is doing well.

Coach Steve Cummings' women's volleyball team has four players with a GPA of more than 3.0

"I definitely felt like grades were emphasized when I came to North Lake," said David Nash, who currently boasts the highest GPA on the men's basketball team.

While coaches have tracked grades as well as performance, Academic Advising Services has done its part by launching the Score With The Core program.

Grades are and should be the most important concern at any college. And every coach on North Lake's staff believes that.

"Here at North Lake, we don't recruit basketball players," said Coach Tim McGraw. "We recruit students who happen to play basketball."



Photo by Cathy Vanover

Forward Jamie Egenti scores for the Blazers against the Cedar Valley Suns in a playoff game last season.



Photo by Cathy Vanover

After the Blazers won the national championship last season, shooting guard Brian Sanders was named Best Guard in Div. III of the NJCAA.



STUDENT PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES (SPAR)

STUDENT ACTIVITIES LEAD TO STUDENT SUCCESS ... AND FUN

he Student Programs and Resources (SPAR) offices, located in rooms A-213 and A-223, present a variety of programs and activities for the general campus population and the surrounding community.

Leadership conferences, workshops and retreats offer students opportunities to develop skills that enrich the quality of their lives and help prepare them to enter an ever-changing, multicultural society.

For more information, call 972-273-3020, or visit the Web site at:

www.northlakecollege.edu/scresources

SPAR IS ALL ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES

- Educational and recreational activities
- Cultural awareness activities
- Scholarship/Awards Information SPAR will often have information on scholarships, especially pertaining to leadership, campus involvement and community service.
- Service Learning Program —
- offers you opportunities to serve at a wide variety of charitable and social agencies. Check available opportunities at the Service Learning Coordinator's office in C-206 or the SPAR office in A-223. (See article on Service Learning on page 25.)
- More than 25 organizations (or start a new one yourself).

FALL AND SPRING SPAR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug. 25 & 26: SPAR information tables in the Gallery, 7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., 5-7 p.m.

September – Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 8: SGA candidate applications due

in SPAR, A-223, by 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 9: Welcome Back Party, cafeteria, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sept. 9-15: SGA candidates open campaigns begin.

Sept. 16 & 17: SGA voting, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 5-7 p.m.

Sept. 18: Hispanic Heritage Day, cafeteria foyer, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sept. 18: Fall Symposium, *Shift Happens*, in the Gallery, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Sept. 22: SGA "Oath of Office," 2008-2009 Officers

October – Disability Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Month & Drug and Alcohol Awareness Month

Oct. 15: Substance Abuse and Mental Health via SPAR, A-206, 10-11 a.m.

November – Native American Month & HIV Awareness Month

Nov. 4: Election Day

Nov. 4: Presidential Debate, Gallery, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Nov. 11: Veterans Day Celebration

Nov. 17: Sara Ting MIXITUP (Dealing with Tolerance), A-206, 9:30-11 a.m.

December

Dec. 1-3: Stress Buster Week in the cafeteria, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SPRING 2009 January

Jan. 13 & 14: SPAR information tables in the Gallery, 7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., 5-7 p.m. **Jan. 26:** Chinese New Year Celebration in the cafeteria, 12-1 p.m.

February – Black History Month & National Heart Awareness Month

Feb. 3: Welcome Back Party and Soul Food Cook-off in the cafeteria foyer, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Feb. 10 & 24: SPAR recognizes Black History Month in the cafeteria, 12-1:30 p.m. **Feb. 26:** African-American Read-in, Gallery, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

March - Women's Heritage Month

March 25: Coffee Break Time, A-Building foyer 3rd floor, 9-11 a.m.

March 27: Charter Day, cafeteria foyer, 12:30 p.m.

March 30 & 31: Teacher of the Year elections, A-233, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

April - Be Kind to Yourself Month

April 14: International Day celebration in the Courtyard, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

April 22: Earth Day celebration in the Courtyard, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

April 24: Student Leadership Institute Recognition Day, K-216, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

May – National Community College & Mental Health Awareness Month

May 4-6: Stress Buster Week in the cafeteria, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

ALL STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BECOME ACTIVE MEMBERS

he Student Government Association (SGA) at North Lake College was instituted more than 18 years ago in order to make a difference and build a stronger educational institution. The purpose and mission of the organization is to represent and communicate with students, and to act upon and ensure student rights and needs, concerns and social well-being to the administration of North Lake College.

Student body officers are elected by the entire student body at the beginning of each fall semester, with terms running through August of the following year until new elections are held. Upon acceptance into the college, every student automatically becomes a member of the Student Government Association. All students are encouraged to become active members and Student Government officers, so that the association is a true representative body of student thought and opinion, voicing the needs and concerns of the student body.

All potential candidates are required to submit a completed Application for Student Government form to the Student Programs and Resources (SPAR) office, A-223, by Sept. 8. Applications are available in the SPAR office.

Requirements for Candidacy:

• Candidate must have an overall GPA of

2.5 or greater on a 4.0 scale.

- Candidate must be enrolled in at least six credit hours at North Lake College.
- Candidate, if elected, must be prepared to serve and represent the Student Body of North Lake College as requested and needed throughout the campus, the Dallas County Community College District, and the Texas Region.
- Candidate is required to attend bi-weekly SGA meetings.
- Candidate must not be on either scholastic or academic probation.
- For president or vice president officer position (upon successful election to the position), candidate may not be serving as a president or vice president of another club or organization while serving his or her term of office

Officer Election Campaign Week is Sept. 9-15. Voting will take place Sept. 16 and 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in front of the SPAR office. New officers will take the oath of office Sept. 23. The first meeting will be held Wednesday, Sept. 24, from 3-4 p.m.

All Student Body officer positions are to be obtained by a sponsored campaign and registered election. The SPAR office has campaign guidelines available. Adherence to these guidelines will demonstrate the leadership skills and integrity of each candidate.

If you are interested in running for a Student Body officer position, please contact the SPAR office at 972-273-3020 for more information, or e-mail the Student Government Advisor at abacio@dcccd.edu.



Photo Special to The Blazer

Voting on paper ballots for new SGA officers will take place on Sept. 16 and 17, outside the SPAR office, A-223.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

CULTIVATING LIFELONG LEADERSHIP SKILLS

committed to developing and enhancing leadership opportunities at North Lake College, the Student Leadership Institute (SLI) also cultivates lifelong leadership skills. SLI caters to rising leaders on campus to assist in making them successful, knowledgeable and skillful pacesetters within their respective organizations.

The institute is designed as a two-semester, consecutive program in an effort to establish NLC students as prominent, well-prepared leaders with core leadership values and characteristics both on and off campus.

SLI is open to all North Lake students and is free. You can choose to participate in retreats, training sessions, seminars and conferences.

The institute affords participants opportunities to build networks and relationships

and begin the process of impacting positive change on campus, on sister campuses within the Dallas County Community College District and, ultimately, within the local community.

Your decision to participate in the program will greatly enhance your future endeavors as a student, employee, citizen and leader. Regular attendance is encouraged. Participants should come with a sincere desire to learn, to grow as an individual, and to learn "synergy" and the empowerment that comes from serving others.

Every student receives different benefits from the SLI program, but all agree that the commitment is well worth the time and personal investment. Participants gain experience and individual insights. At the end of spring semester, every participant is recognized for his or her completion of a particular level, a noteworthy achievement to include in resumés and portfolios.

Learning outside the classroom is essential to the entire learning process. Not all aspects of personal and professional success can be taught in a classroom setting.

SLI is not a club. It is an organization that is recognized at all educational institutions throughout the United States.

For more information, contact Drena Settles, Student Programs Coordinator, in Room A-213, or call 972-273-3597, or send an email to asettles@dcccd.edu.

Joining SLI

Fill out a Student Leadership Institute Application form. Provide one-page, double-spaced responses to the following two essay questions:

- Why is leadership development important to you?
- How do you plan to use the leadership skills you will learn through SLI training?

Honor Societies

Do You Have What It Takes?

- Mu Alpha Theta Math National Honor Society Promotes a better understanding of math and implementation of math skills in everyday life. Requirements: 3.3 overall GPA and 3.5 GPA overall in math courses. Contact: Jerry Mayfield at 972-273-3533 or P-326, or jmayfield@dcccd.edu; or Ellen Miller at 972-273-3526 or P-327, or emiller@dcccd.edu.
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society (Alpha Zeta Eta Chapter) – An

international honor society for students who have excelled in academics. Promotes scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship. Requirements: 3.5 GPA with 12 credit hours at Dallas County Community College District (developmental/HDEV classes are not included). Contact: Dr. Yolanda Romero at 972-273-3550 or A-373, or yromero@dcccd.edu.

• Psi Beta Psychology National Honor Society – A psychology national honor society

designed for students who are interested in the field of psychology. Requirements: 3.3 GPA, 12 transferable credit hours, 1 psychology class with a grade of B or higher. Contact: Enrique Otero at 972-273-3128 or H-209, or eotero@dcccd.edu.

• Sigma Kappa Delta English National Honor Society – Promotes cultural stimulation and interest in literature and the English language. Contact: Dr. Phyllis Elmore at 972-273-3486 or A-225, or pelmore@dcccd.edu.



Photo by Neli Tokleh

The Alpha Zeta Eta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa won another marching award in the 2008 Fourth of July parade.

ALPHA ZETA ETA

LEADING BY EXAMPLE

lpha Zeta Eta is the North Lake College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges.

NLC's Alpha Zeta Eta is one of the more prestigious chapters of Phi Theta Kappa, having won several chapter awards, such as the Top 25 International Chapter for the past three years, the esteemed Beta Alpha Award, the Top 10 Regional Chapter and the top

Chapter in Texas.

Phi Theta Kappa thrives through student involvement.

Members are bound to the society by four hallmarks: scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship.

Phi Theta Kappa is a close community helping to solve global and national issues.

To become a member, students must complete several tasks. Students must have at least a 3.5 GPA

after completing 12 college-level credit hours. There is also an induction fee of \$85.

Letters are mailed out to qualifying students during the fall and spring semesters.

If you would like to know more, direct your questions to NLC's Phi Theta Kappa advisor, Dr. Yolanda Romero, at 972-273-3550.

Phi Theta Kappa is exciting and challenging, and will equip you with the skills and tools to succeed.

SERVICE LEARNING

STUDENTS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY... AND EARN CREDIT

ervice Learning combines academic instruction with active community service, utilizing critical, reflective thinking to examine the world around you and your civic responsibilities.

It is not volunteering. It is a mutually beneficial partnership, allowing you to apply what you learn in the classroom to the real world while developing new skills, improving your critical thinking skills, exploring career possibilities and making a difference by meeting community needs and

increasing citizen support.

The Dallas County Community College District Service Learning program offers you an opportunity to serve at a wide variety of charitable and social agencies.

So come with an open mind and heart, and join the district's commitment to serving the community, and to learning through service.

For more information, contact Brooke Fannin, Service Learning Coordinator, at 972-273-3023, or visit C-206 or e-mail nlcsl@dcccd.edu.



How to Get Involved with Service Learning

I. Select the agency with which you would like to serve.

Consult with your Service Learning coordinator about choosing a site that matches your interests and will help you meet your learning goal.

II. Fill out the enrollment form and release of liability available on the Service Learning Web site: www.northlakecollege.edu/servicelearning.

You won't be able to go forward until the enrollment form is completed.

III. Take the enrollment form and release to the campus service learning coordinator.

III. Contact your selected agency and get

started

- Do not wait until late in the semester to begin your service.
- Some sites require 3-4 weeks just to process your application.
- IV. Document your time and follow through on your commitment.
- Give a minimum of 15 hours in service during the semester. If your instructor or placement site has a higher minimum, you must complete the requirement for credit.
- Pick up a DCCCD Service Learning time sheet from your instructor or Service Learning coordinator. You and your

site supervisor need to sign off on your hours.

- Follow through with the chosen schedule to which you commit. If for any reason you are unable to complete your commitment, you must notify your site supervisor, instructor and campus Service Learning coordinator as soon as possible.
- IV. Complete all assignments given by your instructor and attend a Reflection Session.
- Reflection Sessions are meetings where students get together to share their experiences. Meeting times will be posted on eCampus.

STUDENTS SHOP FREE DEC. 3

HOLIDAY EVENT CELEBRATES THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

hen winter approaches, a North Lake College tradition swings into gear. The Santa Bucks program, which will celebrate its seventh year this fall, was designed in the spirit of giving by members of the Journalism Club and the campus newspaper, the News-Register.

Santa Bucks will soon take on a whole new life, with a fresh bunch of student volunteers from Student Programs and Resources (SPAR), Service Learning and other campus organizations. (Let us know if your club or group would like to be of service.)

Santa Bucks is a festive event held just before the Winter Break. It is a holiday flea market that offers a free shopping spree to all NLC students.

"Santa Bucks" are used to spread holiday joy during the event. Students receive \$30 worth of the play money after signing in at the cashier's table. Then they are set free to buy items that include canned goods, gently worn clothing, books, toys, children's items, wrapping paper and lots of household items.

Staff and students are needed every year to make this event a success. To volunteer your time during the first week of December, send an e-mail to kstockmier@dcccd. edu.

Mark your calendars for Dec. 3, 2008. From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., the club will conduct the annual event in front of the bookstore and cafeteria area.

Donations for the holiday event are accepted all year long. If you have new or gently used items you would like to donate, call 972-273-3498, or drop them off at A-260.

YOUR CAMPUS, YOUR CLUBS

Make the most of your education and meet new people

f you have questions regarding clubrelated activities, or if you are interested in starting a new club or organization on campus, visit the Student Programs and Resources (SPAR) office (A-223) or call 972-273-3020

- Association of Black Collegians To build a foundation in the development of African-American student leaders and ethnic diversities. Open to ALL students. Contact: Tuesday Hambric at 972-273-3078 or A-320, or thambric@dcccd.edu.
- Health Professions Club To facilitate healthy living and responsible citizenship in a rapidly changing local, state and national community. Contact: Mary Ann McGuirk at mmcguirk@dcccd.edu, 972-273-3282 or A-415K.
- International Professional Student League – Organized to support and promote business development and opportunity. Contact: Fajr Alamin at 972-273-3051, or at interprofesstudleague@hotmail.com.
- Journalism Club Open to all students interested in writing for the school's award-winning newspaper, the *News-Register*, and promoting college and community projects sponsored by the newspaper. Contact: Kathleen Stockmier at 972-273-3498 or A-260, or kstockmier@dcccd.edu.
- L33T KR3W (Leet Krew) Computer Club To promote the areas of computer science and technology. Open to all students. Contact: Mona Cherri at 972-273-3472 or H-209, or mcherri@dcccd.edu; or Brian Koontz at 972-273-3461 or T-127, or bkoontz@dcccd.edu.
- L.U.L.A.C. Council (League of United Latin American Citizens) To advance the economic condition, education attainment, political influence, health and civil rights of the Hispanic population. Contact: Lesly Castillo at 972-273-3153 or A-428-E, or lcastillo@dcccd.edu.
- Muslim Student Association United in order to serve the needs of the student campus Muslim population. Contact: Kay Kouadio at 972-273-3511 or C-303, or kkouadio@dcccd.edu.
- North Lake College Men's Basketball Team Help raise money for the NLC men's basketball team. Contact: Tim McGraw at 972-273-3521 or F-209, or tmcgrawdcccd.edu.
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society (Alpha Zeta Eta Chapter) – An international honor society. *Requirements:* 3.5 GPA with 12 DCCCD credit hours. Contact: Dr.



Photo by Victoria Stafford

Club members proudly display their booth at International Day 2008.

Yolanda Romero at 972-273-3550 A-373, or yromero@dcccd.edu.

- Photography Club To unite NLC photographers into a cohesive unit for peer discussion and review of photographic arts. Contact: Maria Lara at maria_aq@hotmail.com or Barry Snidow at 972-273-3567 or A-238, or bsnidow@dcccd.edu.
- Psi Beta Psychology National Honor Society A Psychology National Honor Society designed for students who are interested in the field of pschology. *Requirements:* A 3.0 GPA, 12 transferable credit hours, one Psychology class with a grade of B or higher. **Contact:** Enrique Otero at 972-273-3128 or H-209, or eortero@dcccd.edu.
- Renaissance Universal Yoga and Meditation Club Organized to promote the practice of yoga and meditation on the North Lake campus. Open to all students. Contact: Karen Huddleston at 972-273-3262 or lhuddleston@dcccd.edu.
- Rising Star Club Designed to assign students, who are members of the Rising Star Program, to network with the North Lake student body as well as develop leadership skills. Contact: Detra Craig, 972-273-3143 or A-428-C, or dcraig@dcccd.edu.
- Sigma Kappa Delta English National Honor Society To promote cultural stimulation and interest in literature and English language. Contact: Dr. Phyllis Elmore at 972-273-3486 or A-225,

- or pelmore@dcccd.edu.
- Speech Club Open to all students interested in enhancing communication skills through oral interpretation, debates and public speaking. Contact: Sonya Hopkins at 972-273-3564 or A-322, or shopkins@dcccd.edu, or Dr. Linda Long at 972-273-3573 or A-248, or llong@dcccd.edu. Michelle Meyer at 972-273-3379 or A-332, or mmeyer@dcccd.edu.
- Student Government Association SGA was created to represent and to communicate with students and to act upon and ensure student rights and needs, concerns and social well-being with the administration of North Lake College, and to make a difference and build a stronger educational institution and community. Student Government Officers are elected by the student body each fall semester. Executive meetings are open to all students, staff and faculty. Contact: Dr. Gabriel Bach at 972-273-3553 or A-371, or gbach@dcccd.edu.
- Student Nurses Association To help students who are interested in a career in nursing. Contact: Patty Melton at 972-860-4238 or H-202-M, or pmelton@dcccd.edu.
- Video Club Organized to promote student resources' availability to the community. Students involved participate in video viewing and discussion, as well as video production. Open to all students. Contact: Andy Chiles at 972-273-3571 or P-218, or achiles@dcccd.edu.
- W.E.O.T.A. Art Club Designed to promote the visual arts at North Lake College and to encourage students to participate in art-related activities. Open to students enrolled in art classes. Contact: Marty Ray at 972-273-3577 or P-214, or mray@dcccd.edu.



Photo by Jason Joyce

Dr. Phyllis Elmore at Students always flock to the Courtyard for free food, 972-273-3486 or A-225, and the 2008 Earth Day event was no exception.

FREE SPEECH: IT'S YOUR RIGHT

RULES APPLY TO FREE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON CAMPUS

ny student or community member whose exercise of free speech addresses or is reasonably likely to address three or more individuals must utilize the free speech area for speeches, programs, demonstrations or other demonstrative forms of protected speech.

This area is available from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. until noon, Saturday. Any individual who uses the free speech area may not arrive in the area before the assigned starting time and must leave the area no later than the ending time.

Any speech, program, demonstration or other demonstrative form of speech may be suspended if the activity in question creates a material and substantial interference with the business of the college. Individuals utilizing this area are responsible for its cleanup.

Students or community members wishing to utilize the free speech area must register with the college Student Programs and Resources (SPAR) office at least 24 hours prior to the date on which they wish to utilize the area.

The application for use of the free speech area must state the identity of the individual reserving the area and when the activity is to take place. This information must be provided so that the college can clear any conflicting scheduling of the area. The area will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Students or community members wishing

to advertise their use of the free speech area may place a notice on the free speech bulletin board. The notice shall not be larger than x 8-1/2 x 11 inches.

The notice, at a minimum, must provide the same information as that provided to the college when registering and reserving the free speech area.

The exceptions detailed under the distribution of literature section shall apply to the free speech area. A student's failure to comply with this memorandum shall be considered a violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

Literature and Booths

Students or community members distributing three (3) or more copies of literature must do so during normal college business operating hours anywhere in the H-200 Courtyard located outside between H-, J- and A-buildings so long as the distribution of literature does not impede the flow of traffic or the use of space for college-sponsored activities. Prior administrative approval is not required to dis-



Photo by Victoria Stafford

The Courtyard, located between buildings H, J and A, is designated as NLC's Free Speech Zone and it is also where college-sponsored events are held.

tribute literature.

Booths are also available for students and community members to distribute literature. These booths will be set up in the in the H-200 Courtyard located outside between H-, J- and A-buildings. The booths are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Students wishing to utilize a booth may reserve a booth through the SPAR Office.

- From the Operational Memorandum posted on the North Lake College Web site

FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

tudents may request that directory information, except name and verification of enrollment status, be withheld from the public by giving written notice to the Admissions/ Registrar's Office during the first 12 class days of a fall or spring semester or the first four class days of a summer session.

If a student does not provide written notification to the Admissions/Registrar's Office, any person may make a written request for directory information and the information will be disclosable.

No telephone requests will be accepted. **Student Rights**

- The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the university receives a request for access.
- The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes are inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.
- The right to provide written consent before the university discloses personally identifiable information from the

student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

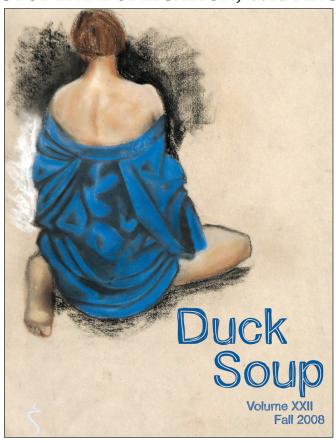
• The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the university to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, 20202-5901.

(Source: U.S. Department of Education)

CREATIVE WRITING OPPORTUNITIES

STUDENT PUBLICATION, WRITING PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT NLC TALENT



he Liberal Arts Teaching and Learning Center at North Lake College can help you with your writing needs, whether you want assistance with English, developmental writing, creative writing, or grammar and punctuation.

Duck Soup, the college's magazine of creative expression, is open to all students and has won numerous First Place and Sweepstakes awards from the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association and the Texas Community College Journalism Association.

Poetry, short stories, essays, artwork and photography are currently being accepted for the 2009 edition. Students are given the opportunity to submit their work during three periods: spring, summer, and fall, and must be registered students at the time of entry. Deadlines for this academic year are Dec. 19, 2008, and March 16, 2009.

A submission form must accompany all entries. Forms are available in the Liberal Arts Teaching and Learning Center, A-235. Use one submission form for each entry. All literary entries must include a hard copy and a Microsoft Word version on disk or CD. Submit art and photography entries on slides.

The League for Innovation Literary Contest is another creative writing opportunity for students throughout the college district. Entries must be submitted through North Lake College before the February deadline. Monetary prizes are awarded to winners at the college and district level.

The North Lake College Creative Writing Program offers creative writing courses for credit or non-credit, such as workshops in poetry, short story, creative non-fiction, novel and play writing. Call 972-273-3480 for more information.

WRITERS' FEST

AND THE CREATIVE WRITING PROGRAM

very spring the North Lake Creative Writing Program hosts a Writers' Fest, where published writers, novelists and poets share their works and experiences with students and staff.

The two-day event is sponsored by the

Liberal Arts Teaching and Learning Center.

Whether you are an aspiring writer with only raw talent and strong interest, or a mature writer with a willingness to share, enrollment in the Creative Writing Program will provide you with an atmosphere in which to grow and develop your skills.

Now in its tenth year, it is offered through both the college's continuing education and academic credit programs. For more complete content information, call the Liberal Arts office at 972-273-3480.





Photos by Alyssa Guiliani

Author and rodeo cowboy Michael Johnson (right) and three other writers entertained students and staff with their creativity and humor at the spring 2008 Writers' Fest. The next event will be held the end of March 2009.

WRITING CENTER

HELPING STUDENTS DEVELOP AND IMPROVE WRITING SKILLS



Photo by Richard Sharum

Writing Center tutors are skilled specialists. The center is located on the third floor, A-309.

he Writing Center supports and supplements classroom instruction by providing focused, individualized writing instruction in response to the specific needs of the student.

Writing Center services are available to all North Lake students, not just those enrolled in English classes. The tutors are skilled writing specialists who can help students clarify writing tasks, understand instructors' requirements, develop and organize papers, explore revision options, detect grammar and punctuation errors, and properly use and document sources.

Located in Room A-309, the Writing Center is open 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday. Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. during fall and spring semesters. Hours will vary during other sessions.

Students who have scheduled an appointment in advance will have a tutor available to work with them at their scheduled time.

The Writing Center's Online Writing Lab (OWL) offers online tutoring to students enrolled in Online, Telecourse and Fast-Track classes. Students in these classes can submit their papers for review by going to http://www.northlake-college.edu/nlcowl. Please read the policies for online tutoring before submitting your paper. To schedule an appointment, come by the Writing Center, call 972-273-3089, or e-mail nlcwritingcenter@dcccd.edu.

Teacher Preparation at North Lake College

ave you ever thought of becoming a teacher?

A degree offered at North Lake College will assist students in becoming K-12 teachers in public and private schools.

This degree is called the Associate of Arts in Teaching Degree. Students may get the new AAT degree if they want to

become general elementary school teachers or if they want to specialize in ESL. Students may also get this degree if they want to teach more specialized subjects in middle school or high school.

For more information on teacher preparation at NLC, contact Angelo Alcala at 972-273-3438 or aalcala@dcccd.edu.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE LAB

Tech-Driven Tools are Tailored to Students' Needs

he Foreign Language Laboratory is an independent study laboratory that serves credit students currently enrolled in the Liberal Arts language classes. The lab is tailored with tech-driven tools to meet the needs of students.

All computers in the lab have Internet connections for foreign language research on time-sensitive projects.

The laboratory also contains a

collection of dictionaries, grammar books and laboratory copies of many textbooks currently being used.

For more information about the Foreign Language Lab, visit A-264, call 972-273-3477 or go to its NLC Web page at: http://www.northlake-college.edu/academics/liberalarts/flnglablinks.html

For more information about new American Sign Language (ASL) and Chinese courses, contact Tom Fox or Robert Martinez at 972-273-3480.

Foreign Language Lab Hours of Operation: Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.; 4:30-9:30 p.m

Friday: 8:30 a.m - 4 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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The Foreign Language Lab is tailored to meet the needs of students enrolled in language classes.

SCIENCE LEARNING CENTER

he Science Learning Center (SLC) provides student services in the following subjects for majors and non-majors: Anatomy and Physiology, Biology, Botany, Chemistry, Ecology, Geology and Microbiology.

The center is located in P-333 and offers free resources to students. The SLC is a great place to bring a study group, get help with science classes and visit displays, aquariums or models.

Services Offered

- Tutorial services in all sciences. Free to students currently enrolled in science courses at North Lake College.
- Quiet study area for science students in P-334. The schedule of times P-334 is available is posted inside P-333.
- Discipline-specific media (software, videos, DVDs and more) related to curriculum being taught in the current semester
- Computer/Internet access for educational science purposes
- Materials designed for a specific course or requested by an instructor are added throughout the semester in the form of digital media, Web sites and models. If a student needs it and an instructor provides it, the Science Learning Center will make it available.



Artist rendering courtesy of North Lake's P.I. Office

The Sciences and Medical Professions Building is under construction on North Lake College's Central campus. It is scheduled for completion in December 2008.

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Friday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

MATH LEARNING CENTER

he Math Learning Center in C-211 provides assistance to students enrolled in mathematics classes at North Lake College.

The center offers resources to assist students with their math courses. Services include: free tutoring, access to books from the various math courses offered at North Lake, videotapes and the use of computers and graphing calculators.

Services Offered

• Computers are available for use by students enrolled in the Academic Systems, interactive mathematics and related textbook software.

- Students can check out videotapes for viewing in the Math Learning Center. (Tapes for takehome viewing are available in K-307.)
- Graphing and scientific calculators are available for use in the Math Learning Center.
- Make your own graph paper. Graph stamps are available in different sizes.
- Free tutoring is available. No appointments necessary for NLC students enrolled in math.
- Copies of the DMAT/MATH textbooks are available for use in the center. They cannot be taken out. For some courses, manuals containing answers to even-numbered problems and solutions are available.

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday: 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Contact Information
Center Phone: 972-273-3381
Coordinator: Frances Foret
Office: C-211B
Instructional Associate:
Mohamed Elebaid
Office: C-211A

Nursing Program at NLC

orth Lake College graduated its first class of nurses in May 2006. Their training came in a satellite program of El Centro College that leads to the Associate Degree of Nursing.

A class of 50-60 students is accepted each fall and spring semester for this two-year program. See the North Lake College Web site for more information on application deadlines and procedures.

North Lake College offers all the prerequisite and support courses for El Centro College's nursing and allied health programs, including HPRS 1204 Basic Skills I; HPRS 1271 Basic Skills II; HPRS 2300 Pharmacology; HPRS 2201 Pathophysiology; HPRS 1202 Wellness and Health Promotion; and HPRS 2231 Healthcare Management.

For more information not available on the Web site, call Kanora Jackson (for nursing questions) or Patsy Strawther (for allied health questions) at 972-860-5003.

In addition to the Web site and El Centro College's Health Occupations Admissions office, advising for nursing and allied health programs is available at North Lake College. Hannah Chang, academic adviser, welcomes walk-ins and/or appointments at her office in T-163. Chang can be reached at 972-273-3225 or hchang@dcccd.edu.

TECHNOLOGY ON & OFF CAMPUS

STAY CONNECTED SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

FREE WIRELESS INTERNET

Have laptop, will travel

North Lake College has added more WiFi "hot spots" in common areas on campus. Students who want to connect to the Internet using a laptop's integrated connectivity or WiFi card can go to one of the following locations at the central campus:

The Gallery, the cafeteria, the T-Building and the division offices of Liberal Arts, Math/Sciences/Sports Sciences, and Visual & Performing Arts. Outdoor access will soon be available in the inner courtyard. Several more "hot spots" are also in the works.

Campus News 24/7

Student newspaper available online

The *News-Register*, North Lake's student-produced newspaper, is available around the clock. When you visit the paper's Web site (see URL below), you can read the current issue or browse the archives. Students have produced the paper every month since 1977. The online archives currently date back to 2003.

If you want to know more about your fellow students, campus events, special programs and issues related to higher education and student life, the *News-Register* is your best bet for information.

To read the online edition of the *News-Register*, go to: www.newsregisteronline.com

ECONNECT

Online services, planning and registration

With eConnect, students can take care of business 20 hours a day (eConnect gets some rest from 1 a.m. - 4 a.m).

Many of the transactions and requests that were once handled in person can now be accomplished online. With eConnect, you can conveniently:

- Register for classes
- Pay your tuition
- Check your grades
- Print your class schedule
- Plan for next semester
- Check your financial aid status
- Request a transcript
- Update your e-mail address
- View your degree plan
- Purchase books (from Follett only)
- Apply for an E-Funds Card

eConnect is available to all students. The self-registration component is limited to students who are TSI MET, exempt or waived, have valid e-mail address on file, have no blocks and are in good academic standing. For more information, go to: www.northlakecollege.edu and click on "Online Resources."

NORTH LAKE'S LIBRARY

Technology-driven Resources

The North Lake library is a state-of-the-art facility that provides students access to a variety of online databases and research tools.

Databases such as Infotrac, Academic Search Premier, Opposing Viewpoints and CQ Researcher are among the many tools available.

Check them out online at www.northlakecollege.edu/NLCL

NORTH LAKE'S WEB SITE

Information about the college and the district

A visit to the North Lake College Web site leads to valuable information. To easily navigate the site, use the menu bar on the column to view calendars, browse the college catalog, the library's collection or look up an instructor's telephone number, office location or e-mail address. This Web site leads to a whole universe of information. You can also jump from the NLC Web site to the Dallas County Community College District's Web site, or the site of DCCCD's other campuses

For more information, go to: www.northlakecollege.edu

ECAMPUS

Are your instructors on board?

eCampus is the college district's name for the Blackboard system used on campuses nationwide. DCCCD instructors are not required to use eCampus, so you may not get the full benefit of the system.

If you are fortunate enough to have instructors who use eCampus, you will be able to stay connected to your teacher and classmates. Your instructor can provide links and downloads to informative content or class handouts. Some instructors make assignments and give online quizzes using eCampus.

The eCampus system is well-supported by college and district staff. One day it will reach its full potential. Until then, it remains a hidden jewel that some instructors use to support their classes and promote communication and class participation.

For more information, go to: www.northlakecollege.edu and click on "Online Resources"



Photo by Matt Keyser

Jasmine Sadry, seated, played the lead character in North Lake College Theatre's The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wild, which ran in fall 2007. Also pictured are (I-r) Phillip Gage, Misty Midkiff and Michael Whitefield. A new play is produced each semester.

Talent Shines Bright in Arts Programs

Creative minds can select from a number of genres

he Visual & Performing Arts Teaching and Learning Center offers students, and the community at large, many opportunities to enjoy the arts.

In Visual Arts courses, you can create paintings, sculpture or pottery; you can become a photographer, work on computer-generated art, or develop skills working on student publications such as the News-Register, North Lake's campus newspaper; The Blazer, an annual newcomer's guide; or Duck Soup, the college's magazine of creative expression, or New Media projects.

If you would rather perform, the Performing Arts courses in Dance, Music, Video Technology, Drama and Speech will put you center stage (or behind the camera) for dance concerts, music concerts, student-produced videos, stage productions or speech tournaments.

The center offers Associate of Applied Science Degrees and Certificate Programs in Computer

Graphics, Animation and Special Effects, and Video Technology, and Associate of Arts Emphasis Degrees in Art, Music and Photography that will prepare you for exciting careers in the broadcast and print communications industries.

You will receive hands-on

training to succeed in industries where the integration of creativity, communication skills and technology is in demand, and rewarded. Opportunities abound for students who can learn to express their creativity through computers and other digital devices.

Your interest in the arts may also lead to careers in public speaking, commercial art, teaching, journalism, commercial photography, television or stage.

New Media opportunities, grounded by journalism and audio/ video knowledge, could lead students to careers or adventures in podcasting, online journalism, video blogging or Webcasting.

Experience in the arts also can lead to work in schools, universities or museums. In addition, you might consider a career in the music industry, dancing or acting in the theatre world or movie industry.

Remember the Arts when selecting electives for your Humanities Corecourse requirements. Courses in addition to

those mentioned above are Art History, Art Appreciation, Fine Arts Appreciation, Music Appreciation, Introduction to Speech Communication, Introduction to Theatre, and Film

Appreciation.

Enrich your life, or consider a new career in the Arts. Call 972-273-3560, or come to the office in A-360 to pick up a brochure and learn

"Trapped 1 Shrinking Heart," a mixed media painting by Lidia Chen, can be seen on page 43 of the fall 2008 Duck Soup, now available on stands across the campus or in the Liberal Arts office, A-235.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS MIXES JOURNALISM AND MEDIA

STAYING ON TOP OF TECHNOLOGY AND TRENDS

he Center for the Visual and Performing Arts provides North Lake College students with an overview of the role and function of communication in society. Subject areas include video production, photography, graphic design, newspaper and magazine production, speech and drama.

Photography

Photography is a dynamic medium, constantly changing as new technologies become accessible. At North Lake, you have the opportunity to learn fundamentals, explore recent advances in digital photography and experiment with the medium.

Students will expand their visual awareness, tap into their creativity and produce images that they will be proud to put in a portfolio, exhibit or sell.

Students will gain confidence in the technical and conceptual quality of their work by utilizing the black-and-white darkroom or the multimedia lab to explore color imaging online.

For more information about photography classes, call instructor Barry Snidow at 972-273-3567, or go to the Web page www.northlakecollege.edu/academics/vparts.

Print Journalism

Students exploring journalism at NLC get hands-on experience while working on the campus newspaper, the News-Register. It was recognized in 2004 as one of the top 25 college newspapers in the nation. In 2007 and 2008, the publication was ranked one of the top six in Texas.

Students are responsible for the layout, content, editing, design and distribution of the monthly newspaper,. They also design an annual literary magazine, Duck Soup, and a campus guide, The

An adviser guides the production process, advises and coaches student editors, and represents the college's publications policies in the newsroom, while observing basic First Amendment tenets and journalism principles.

The paper is produced nine times a year on Mac workstations using InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator and Acrobat.

Jetha Hegiatet Classes available each year include Introduction to Mass Communication, News Gathering and Writing I & II, and News Publications.

For more information about campus journalism, magazines and other publications, call Student Publications Manager Kathleen Stockmier at 972-273-3498. Video Technology

Whether you want to work in front of the camera or behind it, NLC's Video Technology Program will pave the way to career opportunities in broadcast communications. Students will learn the terminology and equipment used in the video/film industry, the various stages of the filmmaking process, and the numerous jobs involved in taking a video/film from conception, to script, to produc-



Photo by Johnny Pulido

Video Technology involves working in front of the camera or behind it.

tion, to post-production, to the finished product.

The program includes participation in studio and remote production, individual and group productions, classroom on-the-job training. Students will learn lighting, audio, editing, camera operation,

animation, studio and field production, directing and producing. For more information about the program, call Andy Chiles at 972-273-3571.

Computer Graphics

A basic knowledge in computer graphics can lead to many kinds of jobs working in many different industries. Students can enter the graphic design industry as a production artist or graphics specialist focus on animation art and work in the entertainment industry or industrial design; or find a job in "new media" as a Web designer.

Students use the latest in hardware and software to obtain a solid working knowledge of the technology used in the graphic arts industry. Small classes, individual computer workstations, and personal attention are the norm.

> This field is unique in that it includes elements of graphic design, technology and creative art.

To learn more about the industry, which reinvents itself as it grows, call Byron Black at 972-273-3563

The News-Register, the campus newspaper of North Lake College for 30 years, debuted its new Web site in June. Readers can log onto www.newsregisteronline. com and comment on articles or ask the staff writers questions.



Photo by Jason Joyce

A Health Fair is held every spring in the Gallery for students, staff and faculty.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

THE HEALTH CENTER HELPS MIND & BODY

our health and physical well-being are important. That is why the Student Health Center, C-200, is staffed with registered nurses.

Services provided in the Health Center include emergency first-aid treatment, blood-pressure screenings, vision screenings, referral to appropriate health-care resources, tuberculin skin testing, free HIV testing and information, drug and alcohol information and referrals, contraception education and counseling, sexually transmitted disease information, PMS counseling, and wellness and preventive health-care management.

Health Services provides educational material for students to be informed of the benefits of a healthy lifestyle.

In addition, Health Services provides information on student health insurance and referrals to health-care providers. For further student health insurance information, visit www.dcccd.edu/cat0406/ss/sd/insurance.cfm.

International student insurance information is available in the International Office, A-418.

Individuals with special health concerns or needs are encouraged to complete or update a health history form. These forms provide important information about immunizations, allergies and medications. Health records are strictly confidential.

No appointment is necessary for most visits. Walk-in students will be seen in the order of arrival; however, problems are always seen immediately. Injury and illness beyond the scope of the Health Center will be referred to appropriate community resources.

In the event of an **emergency**, call the campus police at 972-273-3300 or use the white call boxes located in each hallway.

The Health Center's hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

SOMETIMES, IT HELPS TO TALK

PROFESSIONALS OFFER FREE ON-CAMPUS COUNSELING

ll North Lake College students have free access to licensed professional counselors.

Balancing school, work and life is difficult; help is available.

Counselors can help with test anxiety, stress, depression, self-

esteem, relationships, interpersonal communication and other mental health issues.

Call to schedule an appointment with a counselor, or visit Room A-430 to make arrangements in person. The telephone number to call is 972-273-3333.

In a life-threatening situation or for immediate medical or mental health assistance, call 911.

On campus, if you have an emergency and are unable to reach the counseling staff, go to the Health Center in C-200, or call the campus police at 972-273-3300.

HEALTH SERVICES 2008-2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2008
Blood Pressure Screening
Sept. 6, 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200
Mobile Mammography
Sept. 19, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
Liberty Circle
Blood Pressure Screenings
Sept. 10, 11, 24 & 25, 5-8 p.m., C-200

October 2008
Flu Vaccine
Oct. 1, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., C-200
Oct. 2, 3-8 p.m., C-200
Blood Pressure Screenings
Oct. 4, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200
Oct. 8 & 9, 5-8 p.m., C-200
HIV/STD Testing
Oct. 15, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
Liberty Circle
Blood Pressure Screenings,
Oct. 22 & 23, 5-8 p.m., C-200
Blood Drive &
Bone Marrow Donor Screening
Oct. 31, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., K-216

November 2008 Blood Pressure Screenings Nov. 1, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200 Nov. 5, 6, 19 & 20, 5-8 p.m., C-200

December 2008 HIV/STD Testing Dec. 3, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Liberty Circle Blood Pressure Screenings Dec. 6, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200 Dec. 10 & 11, 5-8 p.m., C-200

February 2009
Blood Pressure Screenings
Feb. 7, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200
Feb. 11, 5- 8 p.m., C-200
Blood Drive &
Bone Marrow Donor Screening
Feb. 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., K-216
Blood Pressure Screening
Feb. 12, 5-8 p.m., C-200

March 2009
Health Fair
March 4, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
and 5-7 p.m.,
Gallery
Blood Pressure Screenings
March 7, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200
March 18, 19, 24 & 26, 5-8 p.m.,
C-200

April 2009 Blood Pressure Screening April 4, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., C-200 April 8, 9, 22 & 23, 5-8 p.m., C-200

www.northlakecollege.edu/resources/health.html

In an emergency, call 911

PUBLIC SAFETY

NORTH LAKE POLICE PATROL CAMPUS 24/7

he North Lake College Police Department employs duly sworn peace officers under section 51.203 of the Texas Education Code. The officers possess the same authority under the law as municipal police officers.

Campus police officers enforce City of Irving municipal codes, state and federal laws, have authority to arrest violators, investigate criminal offenses, investigate traffic accidents and provide services to the college community.

The police department reports directly

to NLC's Vice President of Student Services and works closely with the administration of North Lake College to ensure safety and continued education.

If you need a police officer's assistance, dial 911 from any campus telephone, or dial directly to the dispatch center at 972-860-4290 from an off-campus phone, or use one of the many call boxes outside.

Visit www.northlakecollege.edu/police for general information about the North Lake Police Department.

TO PROTECT AND SERVE

North Lake College police officers are available by request to provide personal escorts, assist with vehicle unlocks and battery jump starts. They respond to medical emergencies, issue campus keys to personnel, manage lost & found property, provide immediate response to accident and injury, provide traffic enforcement, issue traffic citations, relay emergency messages and investigate complaints on campus.

CLEARY ACT

North Lake College's annual security report is available on the Web. The report includes reported crime statistics for the previous three years for properties owned or controlled by NLC, including satellite locations and public property within, or immediately adjacent to, and accessible from the NLC campus. The Web reports also include institutional policies concerning campus security, timely warnings to the campus community, crime reporting procedures and information on programs available to students, faculty and staff of NLC. You can obtain a hardcopy of the report by contacting NLC police or by visiting: www.northlakecollege.edu/ resources/police.html.

LOST AND FOUND PROPERTY

Please bring all found property to the North Lake College Police Department in Room C-204. The lost & found log used by the department makes it easy for students, faculty and staff to locate their property. Students will be relieved to know that North Lake College staff members who find or receive lost property are required to bring items directly to the police department or have an officer collect them.

FIREARMS FORBIDDEN AT NORTH LAKE

"Firearms and other weapons are strictly forbidden on North Lake College property, including all buildings and grounds, and all other locations owned, operated or leased by the Dallas County Community College District. This prohibition applies to any person, including a person who procures a license to carry a handgun under the Texas Concealed Handgun Law." (Source: www.northlakecollege.edu)

CAMPUS CRIME STATS AVAILABLE

In keeping with "The Crime Awareness and Security Act of 1990," information related to campus crime is published annually. Reporting includes statistics for the most recent three-year period concerning reported crimes that occurred on college property or adjacent to college property. Copies of the report may be obtained at the department or on its Web site.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

North Lake College is equipped with a campus-wide alarm and notification system.

- 1. Fire evacuations are signaled by a high-pitched, continuous tone, followed by automated verbal commands. Leave the building immediately and walk away to a distance of 300 feet. Avoid fire lanes for emergency equipment. Do not re-enter evacuated buildings until an "All Clear" is issued by NLC police or an emergency response team (ERT) member.
- **2.** Tornado or other exterior hazards are signaled by a series of repetitive beeps, followed by verbal instructions given by NLC police over the Intercom system. Go to a designated emergency shelter inside the campus and do not leave the building. Campus police will issue an "All Clear" signal.

Shelters for interior evacuation:

P-Building (lowest floor, down from the Gallery): P-207, P-213 and P-219 (classrooms down and across from Mail Room/Print Shop), P-235, P-239 (Makeup Lab and Arena Theatre), P-249 (Choir Room), P-250 (Television/AV Studio)

T-Building: T-114, T-148 (Classrooms), T-123 (Conference Room)

F-Building: F-102 (Girls' Locker Room), F-106 (Weight Room)

Library: Basement.

Severe Weather and Campus Closures

972-273-3000

In the event of severe weather conditions or public emergency, please listen to local radio or television stations for information concerning official closing of NLC facilities. You can also call the info line at 972-273-3000, or check for updates on the college Web site. Decisions for evening classes will be made by 4 p.m.



Photo by Matt Keyser

Open parking places are sometimes hard to find during the fall and spring semesters. The North Lake College Police will issue citations to those who violate the college's parking policies.

THE RULES OF THE ROAD

KEEP OUT OF TROUBLE BY KNOWING SOME SIMPLE RULES

Speed Limits

The speed limit on college roadways is 20 mph. In parking lots, it is reduced to 10 mph.

Accidents

If you are involved in an accident, contact the North Lake College Police immediately. The police department will dispatch emergency responders when necessary.

Parking Areas

Parking for students, staff, faculty and visitors is located on the north and south sides of the campus. Students may not park in areas designated as reserved parking or faculty/staff parking lot. Parking for disabled individuals is available in posted designated areas. Vehicles parking in these spaces must clearly display the appropriate placards, decals or license plates.

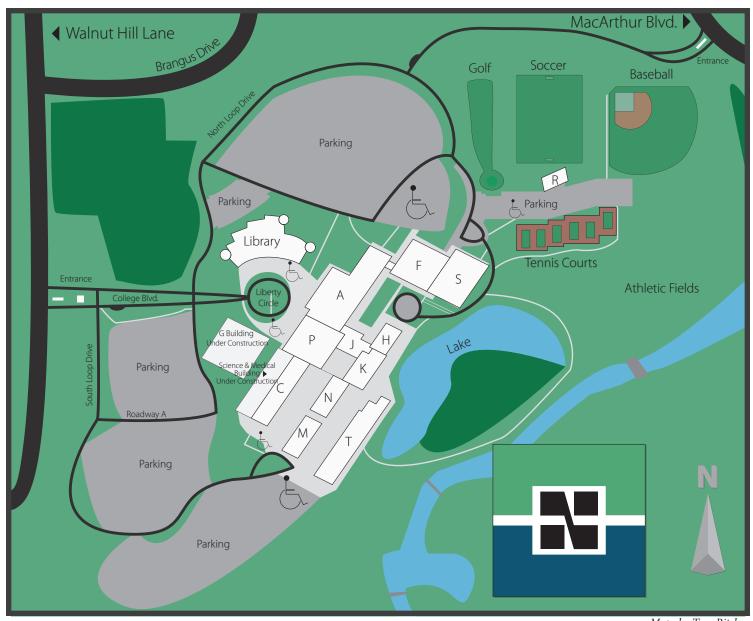
Other than some signed, reserved parking spaces, parking in the "N" and "T" drives is prohibited. Signage at the entrance of both "N" and "T" drives is posted, "No parking. Service and Delivery Area." Violators may receive a campus or City of Irving citation.

Parking Violations

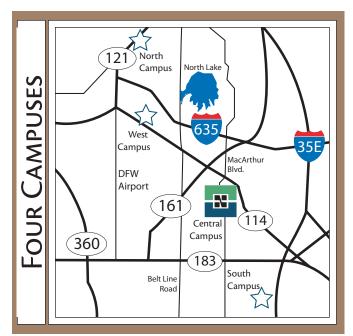
The campus police issues citations for violation of college parking policies, including, but not limited to, no current parking permit/permit not permanently affixed, parking in fire lanes, parking in handicap space/handicap access (a diagonally striped) space, overtime in time-limited zones (30-minute and loading zones) and parking on grass, sidewalks, blocking drives, crosswalks or dumpsters. Reserved parking spaces for administrators, faculty and staff are striped in yellow.

Parking Decals

Parking decals are available in the police department (C-204) during business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Bring your vehicle information, including license plate number, when you register your vehicle. Decals will be issued during admissions and Blue/Green week, upon completion of your vehicle registration card. The decal program has been implemented beginning in the fall 2008 semester to assist staff in identifying the driver of your car in the event of an emergency, accident or other special occurrence.



Maps by Tom Ritchey





To keep the numbering of floors consistent throughout the campus, the ground-level floors of most campus buildings begin with "200" numbers.

For information about campus closures or weather emergencies, call 972-273-3300

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Quick Call Directory — 2008

Emergency Phone 3300

Unless otherwise noted, all numbers can be reached off campus by dialing 972-273 + 4-digit extension. On campus, dial only the 4-digit extension.

Teaching	æι	earning	Centers

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Business/Information Technology (T-135)
Business; accounting; management; real estate, hospitality management; marketing;
economics; mortgage banking; legal assistance; logistics; programming; Microsoft;
Oracle; Web productions and design; computer science; UNIX; Cisco; office technology.
West Campus
Construction technology; construction management; electrical technology; safety
training; Homeland Security.
Liberal Arts (A-235)
English; developmental reading; developmental writing; sociology; anthropology;
government; history; religion; psychology; human development; cultural studies;
philosophy; foreign language; ESOL; dispute resolution
Math/Natural Science/Sport Sciences (P-330)
Math; developmental math; physics science; geography; nutrition; chemistry; geology;
biology; athletics; natatorium; physical education
Visual & Performing Arts (A-360)
Art; animation; theatre; dance; speech; music; humanities; journalism; video technology;
computer graphics; photography

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General Offices:	
ADA/ACCESS Disability Services (A-430)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m4:30 p.m., F 9 a.m4:30 p.m.	
Business Services (A-324)	3390
Business & Training Services (H-201)	3357
Degree Plans (Admissions/Registration) (A-409)	3105
ESOL (H-201)	
Facilities Services (N-207)	3340
Faculty Resource Center (K-307B)	3415
Fitness Center/Gym	3530
Human Resources (A-313)	3307
Information Systems (P-351)	
Instruction (A-335)	3590
Library/Learning Resources (L-206)	
Marketing & Public Information (H-316)	
Media Services (P-351)	
Multimedia Production Department (H-319)	
President's Office (A-324)	3010
Printshop/Mailroom (P-223)	3256/3257
Receiving (N-213)	3343
Room Reservations (H-310)	3335
Student Enrollment & Development (A-414)	3135
Evening/Weekend Administration	
M-F 5 p.m - 9 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m 4 p.m.; Sun 1 p.m 5 p.m	3300
Weekend Only Pager	972-297-8613
IRC Help Desk (Software)	6460
Telecourse Hotline	972-669-6400
Voice Mail	972-860-7444
Computer problems? E-mail 7PCHELP - Phone	
Telephone problems? E-mail 7FONHELP - Phone	
Student Services:	
Academic Advising (A-415)	3120
M-Th 8:30 a.m 7 p.m.; F 9:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Accounting Services/Cashier (A-416)	3310

Admissions/Registration (A-405)......3183 **Biology Lab** (C-318)......3517 M&T~8~a.m.~-~7~p.m.;~W&Th~8~a.m.~-~6~p.m.;~F~8~a.m.~-~1~p.m.;~Sat.~9~a.m.~-~2~p.m.

Career Services (A-337).....3140

M-Th: 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.; F 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Sat. 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Continuing Education (H-200)	
Counseling Services (A-406)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 6:30 p.m.; F 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Educational Partnerships/Student Recruitement (A-428)	
ESOL Lab (K-310)	
M-Th 8 a.m 9 p.m.; F 8:30 a.m 4 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m 2 p.m.	
Foreign Language Lab (A-264)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 9:30 p.m.; F 9 a.m 4 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m 1 p.m.; Sun 1 p.m 6 p.m.	
Financial Aid (A-419)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 7 p.m.; F 9 a.m - 4:30 p.m.	
Health Services/Wellness (C-200)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 2 p.m.; 4:30 - 8:30 p.m.; F 9 a.m 2 p.m.; Sat 9 a.m 1 p.m.	
International Student Advising (A-418)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 7 p.m; F 9 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Library3400	
M-Th 8 a.m 9 p.m., F 8 a.m 3 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m 1 p.m.; Closed Sundays and Holidays	
Math Learning Center (C-211)	
M-Th 8 a.m 9 p.m.; F 8 a.m 3 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m 1p.m.	
Natatorium	
Open swim M-F 6 a.m 8 a.m. & 11:30 a.m 3 p.m.; T&Th 6:30 p.m 10 p.m.	
Open swim F 6:30 p.m 9 p.m.; Sat. 1 p.m 8 p.m.; Sun 1 p.m 5 p.m.	
News-Register (A-260)	
M-F 9 a.m 4 p.m.	
Nursing Office (T-163)	
M-F 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Police, College (C-204)	
Available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.	
Rising Star (A-428E)	
Science Learning Center (P-333)	
Service Learning (C-206)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 2:30 p.m., F variable hours.	
South Campus	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 7 p.m.; F 8:30 a.m 5 p.m.; Sat. 8:30 a.m 1 p.m.	
SPAR (A-223)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 7 p.m.; F 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Student I.D. Center (K-307)	
Student Resource Center (K-307)	
M-111 7:45 a.m 9:30 p.m.; F 8 a.m 6 p.m.; Sat. 8 a.m 4 p.m.; Sun 8p.m 5 p.m. Technology Lab (T-225)	
M-Th 12:30 p.m 9:45 p.m. Testing Center (A-425)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 9 p.m.; F&Sat. 8:30 a.m 3:30 p.m.	
TRIO (A-413)	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 5 p.m.; F 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Upward Bound (H-301)	
Veterans Affairs (A-430) 3165	
M-Th 8:30 a.m 4:30 p.m.; F 9 a.m 4:30 p.m.	
Welcome Center (A-400)	
Wildfire	
Writing Center (A-309)	
M-Th 8 a.m 9:30 p.m.; F 8 a.m 5 p.m.; Sat. 9 a.m 2 p.m.	
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Campus Fax Numbers				
Accounting Services	3318	Financial Aid	3240	
Administration,P.I.	3433	Human Resources	3280	
Admissions	3112	Info Syst/Media/ISSS	3433	
Business/Tech Dev.	3471	Int'l. Student Advising	3138	
Bus & Training Services	3358	Liberal Arts	3479	
Career Services	3111	Library/Learning Resource	ces 3431	
Computer Info Tech/Retention	3471	Math/Nat.Sci./PE	3534	
Continuing Ed.	3378	South Campus	972-721-7004	
Disability Services	3164	Testing Center	972-273-3049	
Educational Partnerships	3241	TRIO	3151	
ESOL	3384	VPARTS	3583	
Facilities	3354	West Campus	972-456-1234	

Department Information Lines			
Recorded	Departments	Live	
3183	Admissions	3100	
3310	Accounting	3092	
3182	Advising	3120	
3360	Continuing Education	3361	
3320	Financial Aid	3148	

M-Th 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.; F 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

M-Th 8:30 a.m.- 7p.m.; F 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

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