

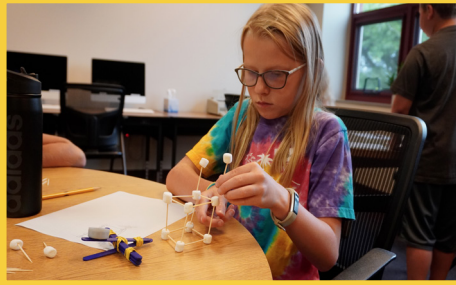


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# The VOYAGER

The Frontier Community College Newsletter

## Kids Classes Wrap Up After Successful Summer



Students enjoying some hands-on fun at kids camps

## Upcoming Events

### July

- 28 Last Day of Summer Classes
- 31 Final Exams

### August

- 1 Final Exams
- 10-11 Faculty Workshop
- 17 First Day of Classes

### Bobcat Den Hours

Monday-Friday  
7:30AM-4:00PM

# Kids Classes Wrap Up After Successful Summer cont.

Summer kids' classes started on Tuesday, June 6th at FCC and ran until Thursday, June 29th. There were a variety of different classes for students to choose from, including junior paleontology, sign language, art attack, journey to space, origami art, and many more. There were a total of 109 students enrolled in at least one of the possible fifteen kids' classes/camps this summer, some of whom are taking multiple classes resulting in nearly 300 enrollments. The camps filled quickly following the opening of registration and also received great feedback at the conclusion, with many students and parents saying they would be back again next summer. Our kids' camps help keep the kids engaged and entertained while providing many of them with their first look at the FCC campus.

## FCC Director of Adult Education Presented With Award

FCC Director of Adult Education Angel Maguire recently graduated with a Master of Science in Education (MS Ed) from Southern Oregon University (SOU). Upon graduation, Angel received the Universidad de Guanajuato Outstanding Graduate Student Award, given annually to recognize an outstanding graduate student from the current class. The award winner is nominated by Southern Oregon University faculty members who are familiar with the graduate's academic work and service to the campus and larger communities.

Angel graduated from SOU with a 4.0 GPA, with the faculty describing her as a "change agent" and that her record of service supports that distinction. During her time at SOU, she served as Liaison Leader for the MS Ed program where she played a pivotal role in fostering a positive and supportive learning environment. SOU's commencement program stated, "Her leadership and dedication as a Liaison Leader helped create a strong sense of

community and connection among online students. In addition to her contributions to SOU, Angel has also been actively involved in community service. Her volunteer work with organizations such as Council for Adult and Experiential Learning demonstrates her commitment to making a difference in the lives of others. Through her involvement, dedication, and hard work, she has bridged the gap between the university and the community, providing valuable insights and support to both."

Angel was so appreciative of the award saying, "It was truly an honor to have been nominated for and receive the 2023 Guanajuato Outstanding Graduate Student Award. The award is presented to a graduate who has proven academic success and service to SOU and the community. I am humbled by the consideration for this award and the kind words from both my SOU advisor, Dr. Amy Belcastro, and my Program Administrator, Dr. Rodney Raney."



*Angelique Maguire receiving the 2023 Guanajuato Outstanding Graduate Student Award*

# Summer Cultural Trip to St. Louis



*Photos of the Missouri Botanical Garden and Cultural Trip Participants*

On Friday, June 16th, a group of people from the local community, accompanied by a few FCC staff members, went to St. Louis for a day of fun. The agenda for the day included a variety of stops including a visit to the Missouri Botanical Garden, dinner in the city, a tour of the Muny Theatre, and seeing the performance of “Beautiful: The Carole King Musical.”

Director of Instructional Support Services Lori Noe was one of the chaperones on the trip and shared how enjoyable the day was for everyone. “The trip to St. Louis was a hit! I was thrilled to see the Chihuly glass exhibit that is currently featured at the Missouri Botanical Garden. I also enjoyed taking the tram tour and learning about the origin of the gardens. Of course, watching the performance of *Beautiful* on a perfect summer evening at the Muny was my favorite part,” said Noe.

Director of Instructional Services Megan Black, who organized the trip, talked about how much she always enjoys going. “We try to change things up and go see different places and have different experiences from year to year. There are a lot of people who go every year but we also have our newcomers. One thing that remains the same is how much fun it is not just to go and see these beautiful things like the botanical garden and theatre, but to be able to socialize with everyone that goes and get to know them during the day.”

# Upcoming at FCC

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- New Student Orientation will take place on Tuesday, August 15th. Students will be broken up into groups as they tour the campus including West Hall, Mason Hall, Cox Hall, and the Bobcat Den. There will also be presentations on SAFE as well as Entrata/Canvas. Students will be provided breakfast before the tours begin and will be able to stay after to ask any follow up questions.
- Members of IECC's International Department will be on the FCC campus on Thursday, July 20th to tour the campus, meet the athletic coaches, etc.

## Business & Industry Update

- The new Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Director Michelle Brooks started on the 26th of June. She has been busy familiarizing herself with the grant and connecting with chambers and community organizations.
- Room 104 at the Terry L. Bruce West Richland Center (WRC) will be the SBDC office and work is underway to complete the transformation.
- In other SBDC news, several workshops were offered this past month and there will be many more in the coming weeks, including "Starting an Airbnb," "Using AI for Small Businesses," and "How to Start a Small Business in Illinois."
- The Mining and Industrial Training office is moving from the John A. Logan campus to the extension center in West Frankfort.
- In collaboration with Pike County Economic Development and Pike County Progress Partners, Business & Industry (B&I) is in talks to provide broadband training to displaced coal mine workers. Pike County has applied for a grant to cover the cost of training, and if awarded will result in a start date in October.
- B&I continues to work with current employer partners to offer new trainings. This month they will be offering a one-day excel workshop at Hella, holding supervisor emergency response classes at Brake Parts Inc. (Champion subsidiary), creating a safety on-boarding video for Champion, and holding leadership classes at Dana.
- Upcoming July and August trainings include a five-day incident command system class for first responders. The class is being offered in preparation for the upcoming eclipse-related events in the area.
- Additionally, coming up there will be an active learning class, QuickBooks training, food sanitation and safety training, a drone photography class, OSHA 10, and a forklift training class.
- For more about the B&I activities, check out the 2nd quarter newsletter, scan the QR code below, or like and follow the page on Facebook.



IECC SBDC Webpage QR Code

## Title III Update

On Friday, June 9th, the MLT Laboratory doubled as a crime lab for Camp CSI. 17 area science students learned about basic genetics and how it applies to forensics. The students practiced proper pipetting techniques and performed a DNA analysis using gel electrophoresis. They also learned about fingerprint comparison, fiber analysis and the Innocence Project. At the end of the day, FCC Education Technology Specialist Derek Dunn spoke to the kids about the use of drone technology in law enforcement for search and rescue. Camp CSI was conducted by Chief Academic Officer Paul Bruinsma, MLT faculty, and the Title III staff.



*Students getting hands-on during Camp CSI*