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"One learns from books and example only that certain things can be done. Actual learning requires that you do those things." — Frank Herbert

# Valley Briefs

WVC Bass Team to Compete in Bassmaster's Series Wabash Valley College's bass team will be competing in the Strike King Lure Company Bassmaster College Series tournament presented by Bass Pro Shops on January 21–22.

WVC Welcomes Back Faculty and Staff WVC welcomed faculty and staff back from Christmas Break with coffee and lunch the first week. WVC appreciates the hard work and dedication from its faculty and staff.

Free COVID-19 Testing

Pursuant to the governor's mandate, WVC is offering free COVID-19 testing to WVC students, faculty, and staff in the Spencer Sports Center lobby on particular days and times.

Solar Savings Update

To date, WVC's new solar array has saved 79,200 pounds of CO2 emissions. This reduction is the equivalent of over 600 trees being planted.

#### "The great aim of education is not knowledge but action." — Herbert Spencer



## WVC softball team to host series of softball camps



WVC's softball team is hosting a camp where participants will work on hitting, fielding, and pitching drills. The camp will be held at Next Level in Evansville (1520 Yokel Road, Evansville, IN 47711).

Participants may register at:

wvcwarriorathletics.com/sports/sball/ index or by contacting Asa Deffendall at 618-263-5072. The camp will be conducted by Head Coach Asa Deffendall, assistants Kyndell Ethridge, David George, Mark Colvin, and the WVC softball team.

The cost of the camp is divided into two categories: Hitting and Fielding \$60 or Hitting, Fielding, and Pitching \$80. The schedule is as follows: 10–11:30 AM, Ages 8-12 (Hitting and Fielding); 11:30 AM–12:15 PM, Ages 8-12 (Hitting, Fielding, and Pitching); 12:45–2:15 PM, Ages 13-18 (Hitting and Fielding) 2:15–3 PM; Ages 13-18 (Hitting, Fielding, and Pitching).

## WVC to host info meetings about prospective PTA program

	WABASH VALLEY COLLEGE PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT INFO MEETING
	JAN 12 WVC SCIENCE BLDG ROOM 25 12:15-12:45 PM; 4:00-4:30 PM
	JAN 19 WVC SCIENCE BLDG ROOM 25 12:15-12:45 PM; 4:00-4:30 PM
	JAN 25 WVC SCIENCE BLDG ROOM 25 12:15-12:45 PM
	JAN 27 WVC SCIENCE BLDG ROOM 25 12:15-12:45 PM
	FEB 01 WVC SCIENCE BLDG ROOM 25 12:15-12:45 PM
-	FEB 03 WVC SCIENCE BLDG ROOM 25 12:15-12:45 PM
Education (CAPTE accreditation@apta.org is ne College) is seeking accred submit an Application for ( Submission of this docume Candidate for Accreditation may be enrolled in techni	herapist assistant education program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy (, 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; phone; 703-706-3245; cessary for eligibility to sit for the licensure examination, which is required in all states. [Wabash Valley tation of a new physical therapist assistant education program from CAPTE. The program is planning to Condidocy, which is the formal application required in the pre-accreditation stage, on March 1, 2022. Int does not assure that the program will be granted Candidate for Accreditation status. Achievement of is status is required prior to implementation of the technical phase of the program; therefore, no students acl courses until Candidate for Accreditation atsuts has been achieved. Further, though achievement of n status signifies satisfactory progress toward accreditation, it does not assure that the program will be granted accreditation.

Students interested in the field of physical therapy can attend informational meetings at WVC starting this month.

The meetings will cover various details and requirements of the prospective physical therapist assistant program. The Physical Therapist Assistant AAS focuses on the theory and hands-on applications required to gain entry-level employment opportunities in the Physical Therapist Assistant field of study. The program's mission is to provide students with an exceptional educational experience so they are competent, patient-care providers.

The meetings will be run by program director Dr. Lisa Hoipkemier and clinical coordinator Dr. Kinsey Whitaker.



### WVC's Student Success team welcomes students back after break





Monday, Jan 10th Free donut holes in the Science Building

Tuesday, Jan 11th Win a free planner & pen

Wednesday, Jan 12th Spirit Day, Giveaways, & Rootbeer floats

Thursday, Jan 13th Q&A for candy

Friday, Jan 14th Trivia MAKE SURE TO CHECK IN WITH US EACH DAY TO SEE WHAT ELSE WE ARE UP TO!

WVC's Student Success team welcomed students back after Christmas break with a variety of planned activities and giveaways.

On Monday, January 10th, they gave away free donut holes and coffee to students in the Science Building. On Tuesday, the team gave out free planners and pens to students.

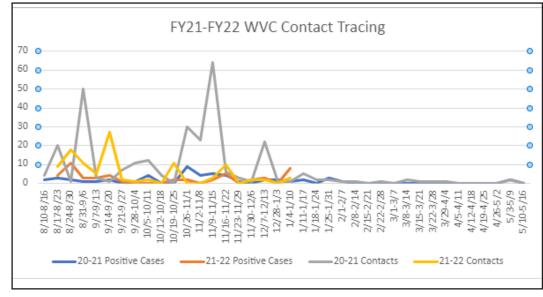
On Wednesday, the team sponsored a campus Spirit Day and gave away various goodies and rootbeer floats. On Thursday,

they hosted a Q&A session for students to earn candy. And on Friday, the team sponsored a trivia day for students to enjoy.

We looked forward to having everyone back on campus, and we were grateful for what the Academic Success Center planned for the week!

Students were encouraged to keep up with WVC social media each day during the week for more details including information about several gift card giveaways!

## COVID-19 cases at WVC remain low despite surge in Wabash County



If you have stayed in touch with the news, you know that cases have risen sharply in Illinois and in District 529, and WVC remains committed to the health and wellbeing of our students, faculty, and staff.

Dean of Instruction Robert Conn sent out the following message on January 3rd.

"We are obviously all concerned with the health and well-being of our people AND keeping our campuses open for face-to-face instruction/athletic competition/fine arts performances. Toward these ends, one of the best methods to reduce infections and keep our campus open is testing: Starting January 4th, ALL campus testing centers will be open from 8:30 AM-3:00 PM, Monday through Thursday.

Additionally, beginning the week of January 3rd, ALL members of the IECC community, regardless of vaccination status, will be required to submit at least one weekly saliva test through one of our SHIELD testing sites. This requirement is scheduled to sunset on January 28th but may be extended depending on positivity rates."

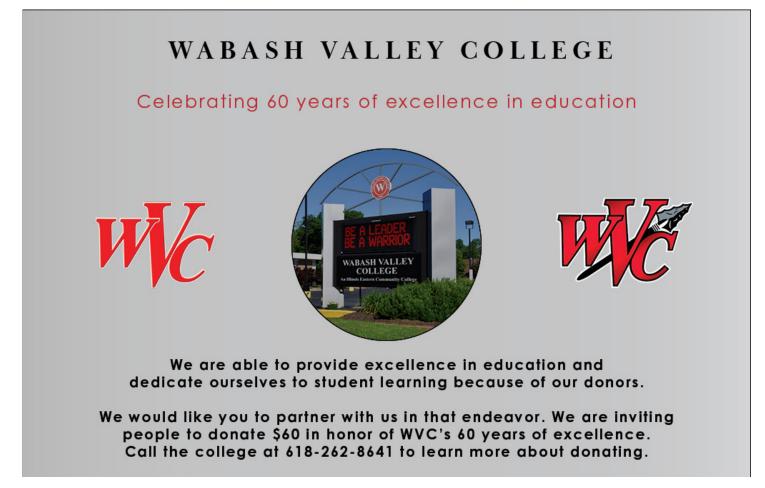
Wabash Valley College is continuing to see minimal amounts of COVID-19 infections on campus despite the county experiencing a surge in infections. This is due in large part to the mitigation measures enacted by IECC leadership.

According to the Wabash County Health Department, the county's vaccination rate has increased 1.6 percent to 45.6 percent of residents. The Illinois Department of Public Health reported that Wabash County's positivity rate has risen to 14 percent and that Region 5 has had a positivity rate above 8 percent for two weeks now.

Therefore, as a continued means of mitigation and pursuant to the governor's mandate, WVC is offering free COVID-19 testing to students, faculty, and staff in the Brubeck Arts Center Gallery Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM–3:00 PM.



## Help support Wabash Valley College



As boundaries that have separated nations, cultures and individuals continue to dissolve, the role of education has become vital in equipping students for the changes and challenges that lie ahead.

We at Wabash Valley College understand that building a firm educational foundation that meets the demands of our world requires the support of our community.

We would like you to partner with us in that endeavor. Call the college at 618-262-8641 or scan the QR code to learn more about donating to WVC.



