

“Expanding boundaries and overcoming challenges of the modern world.”



## Innovative Learning

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### Youth Challenge Program

- Sixty (60) Youth Challenge Program (YCP) cadets were administered challenge exams on August 22-24 in Carville, Louisiana.
- Accuplacer Placement testing for Minden cadets were administered on BPCC's Campus on August 31 and additional placement testing will occur September 4-5. A total of approximately 75 cadets will be tested.

### New Faculty Institute

On August 1, BPCC held Seminar One of the inaugural New Faculty Institute. Seminar One provided the new faculty with introductions to personnel they are likely to encounter or require assistance from during their employment.

Our newest family members began their Human Resources processing and received information on various student-centered policies and procedures, an abbreviated tour, and an overview of MyBPCC (Canvas). Some of these





faculty are not only new to BPCCC, but new to the area, so please welcome and assist them as they nestle in.

Special thanks to every person, department, and division that assisted with and participated in this event.

BPCCC's newest family members are:

- Courtney Giddens, SNAH
- Ricky Bartlett, SNAH
- Candace Sandridge, SNAH
- Joshua Waldrop, CAPA
- Adrian Crawford, Learning Resources
- Joseph Halliday, Business
- Joy Smith, Liberal Arts
- Rachel Wilson, Liberal Arts
- Michael Gennaro, BS

## **Dual Enrollment/AIM**

An AIM and a Dual Enrollment information session were held on July 26. These events gave parents and potential students an opportunity to learn about program eligibility, performance and behavior expectations, and ask questions.

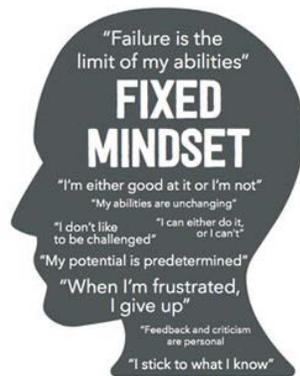
On July 31 and August 2, AIM students registered for BPCCC classes at the Bossier Educational Service Center (BESC).

On August 6, Allison Martin presented Open Campus to several high school teachers and staff. The content, particularly math, will be used by these educators as source material and as an option for concept reinforcement.

On August 7 and 8, Dual Enrollment students were advised and registered for fall classes.

## Professional Development

There were 81 educators from Northwest Louisiana who attended *The Mindset Classroom Short Course*. The series consisted four instructional modules: 1) Foundations in Mindset, 2) Applications in Mindset, 3) Mindset and Classroom Culture, and 4) Mindset Review and Resources. The event was made possible through the collaboration of Step Forward and BPCCC.



## Partnering with LA Tech

BPCCC OnDemand™ is partnering with LA Tech to develop a Medical Documentation course.

## Rapid Response – BIT Grant

Five new BPCCC OnDemand™ courses were released recently:

- CompTIA Cloud Essentials



- CompTIA Security+ 501
- Introduction to COBOL
- Classroom Management
- Technical Writing.

The following BPCC OnDemand™ courses are in development:

- CompTIA Network+ 007
- CompTIA Cloud+ CV0-002.

### **Rapid Response – Top Secret Grant**

- BPCC and Cybint are partnering to host another Cyber Range and Workshop event in October.

### **AEP Credit Counts**

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BPCC's AEPCC Program is providing dual enrollment opportunities on BPCC's campus, partner high schools, and two district career technical high schools that support our partner schools. At BPSTIL a total of 51 students have earned 366 college level credits in Cyber Information Technology (CIT) funded through leveraged funding between BPCC and the AEPCC program. Additionally, AEPCC provided robotics equipment and materials to supplement instruction at BPSTIL and partnering high schools.

BPCC's AEPCC Program also supports a foundation in CIT through opportunities with multiple robotics programs including:

- summer camps at partner middle schools and Volunteers of America sites
- afterschool programs at the Volunteers of America Friendship House near a partner middle school
- sponsorship of middle school robotics teams and competitions, and
- purchase of equipment, material, and supplies, and professional development for teachers.

Unique to the AEPCC supported programs at Donnie Bickham Middle School is:

- an underwater robotics team at Donnie Bickham Middle School. Underwater robotics simulates both underwater conditions and weightlessness encountered in space
- at least one team composed of students with varying abilities and talents (see picture), and
- an advanced team that successfully competes at the high school level.

## AEPCC Pipeline

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