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## Our Mission

Danville Area Community College is committed to providing quality, innovative, and accessible learning experiences that meet the lifelong academic, cultural and economic needs of our diverse communities and the world we share.

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# Prologue: President's Welcome



President Stephen Nacco has been DACC's president since 2016.



DACC's founding President Mary Miller, who led the College from 1946 through 1972.



Dr. William J. Langas, president from 1972 to 1978.



Dr. Joseph A. Borgen, president from 1978 to 1981.



Dr. Ronald K. Lingle, president from 1981 to 1988.



Dr. Harry J. Braun, president from 1989 to 1999.



Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs, president from 1999 to 2016. The Board appointed her as president emerita in 2016.

## Dear Friends of DACC:

Thank you for opening DACC's 2022 Annual Report.

As an open admission, comprehensive community college, Danville Area Community College is one of 1,200 American higher education institutions known as "democracy's colleges." We proudly welcome all people who aspire to improve their lives through higher education.

In this annual report, we adopt the "Write Your Story at DACC" theme which has become our "call to action" for our students. We encourage students to dream big when they attend DACC and plot out their personal success story.

As DACC's faculty and staff, we're committed to doing all we can to ensure that our students' stories have a happy ending. The chapters in this book reflect the various ways we achieve this. It all begins in Chapter One with DACC's leadership—and in particular the locally elected citizens on the DACC Board of Trustees. Every Board member is dedicated to the College's student-service mission.

Chapter Two looks at our work over the past year to improve student learning. Chapter Three explores initiatives that directly address student success. Chapter Four, titled "Institutional Excellence," features improvements in our facilities, technology, and employee development. Chapter Five, "Organizational Advancement," reports on how DACC connects to the communities it serves.

This annual report concludes with chapters that provide information about the Danville Campus and the Hoopeston Learning Center. A chapter on the DACC Foundation shares information about the College's enormous success in supporting students through scholarships. Chapter Nine provides a snapshot on DACC's finances, and Chapter 10 features key milestones throughout the College's 76-year history.

As president of DACC, I always love telling our story. As you'll see throughout this report, we had some really great stories to tell in 2021-22.

Thank you for your support of this College and for contributing to the DACC story.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Nacco".

Dr. Stephen Nacco  
President  
Danville Area Community College

# Chapter One: Leadership



The Board of Trustees for Danville Area Community College, attending Commencement on May 20, 2022. From left: President Nacco, Board Member Terry Hill, Student Trustee Olivia Logue, Board Member Dylan Haun, Board Member Sandra Finch, Board Chair Dave Harby, Board Vice Chair Greg Wolfe, Board Member Tracy Cherry, and Board Member John Spezia.

## DACC'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES



**Mr. David W. Harby — Chair** | *Term runs to 2023*

Elected to the DACC Board in 1999, Mr. Harby is a Country Financial representative in Danville. He has served as DACC's Board Chair since 2013. Mr. Harby graduated from DACC and Illinois State University. He was a Distinguished Alumnus at DACC. For the Illinois Community College Trustees' Association, he served as president from 2010 to 2011 and has won numerous awards from the ICCTA, including the Central Regional Trustee Leadership Award.



**Mr. Greg Wolfe — Vice Chair** | *Term runs to 2025*

The Board chose Mr. Wolfe to be vice chair in 2021. He was originally elected to the Board in 2013 and re-elected in 2019. Over the past four years, he has served as liaison to the Illinois Community College Trustees' Association and has served as a member of the ICCTA Executive Board. He formerly chaired the Trustee Education and Leadership Committee. Mr. Wolfe is a senior product consultant for Watts Copy Systems. Mr. Wolfe continues to participate in a number of community service projects. He also helps boost corporate sponsor sales for the Danville Dans—a minor-league baseball team. Before his election to the DACC Board, he had served 12 years as president of the Oakwood Community Unit School District #76.



**Mrs. Tracy Cherry** | *Term runs to 2025*

Mrs. Cherry was appointed to the DACC Board in September 2018 to fill the unexpired term of Tonya Hill after she became executive director of the DACC Foundation. The following year, Mrs. Cherry was elected to a six-year term on the DACC Board. That same year, she became the principal of Danville High School and made an immediate impact in fostering a culture of respect in Vermillion County's largest school. Prior to that, she served for seven years as principal at Kenneth D. Bailey Academy. Mrs. Cherry has devoted most of her 35 years in education to serving as a teacher and administrator for Danville's District 118 District. She first came to Danville in 1990 as an elementary physical education teacher. Before Danville, she taught in the Kansas City, Missouri, public school system and was the first minority teacher hired by the Barstow School, a private preparatory school. As a college athlete, she was an All-American field-hockey player.



The May 20 Commencement ceremony featured six Summa Cum Laude graduates (from left): Andrew Barnes, Nyiana Gaston, Sarah Kedas, Autumn Lange, Katherine Thompson, and Coleen Wakeland. On the right is Board of Trustees' Vice Chair Greg Wolfe. All six graduates earned a perfect 4.0 (straight A's) grade-point average.

# COLLEGE CABINET

As the College's leadership team, the Cabinet includes the heads of academic divisions and administrative divisions.



DACC's 2021-22 Cabinet (seated, from left): Dr. Carl Bridges, Tammy Betancourt, Stacy Ehmen, Kerri Thurman, and Damie Cramer; (standing, from left): Douglass Adams, Ryan Wyckoff, Terry Goodwin, Dr. Penny McConnell, Terri Cummings, Lara Conklin, Tonya Hill, Brian Hensgen, Jill Cranmore, and Stephane Potts.

President: **Dr. Stephen Nacco**

Vice President, Academic Affairs: **Dr. Carl Bridges**

Vice President, Student Services: **Stacy Ehmen**

Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer: **Tammy Betancourt**

Vice President, Human Resources/Labor Relations: **Jill Cranmore**

Vice President, Operations and Board Secretary: **Kerri Thurman**

Chief Diversity Officer and Director of Counseling and Articulation: **Stephane Potts**

Assistant Vice President, Liberal Arts, Library & Assessment: **Dr. Penny McConnell**

Assistant Vice President and Executive Director, American Job Center: **Brian Hensgen**

Executive Director, DACC Foundation: **Tonya Hill**

Executive Director, College Relations: **Lara Conklin**

Executive Director, Facilities: **Douglass Adams**

Dean, Mathematics, Sciences, and Health Sciences: **vacant**

Dean, Adult Education & Middle College: **Terry Goodwin**

Dean, Business & Technology: **Terri Cummings**

Interim Dean, Liberal Arts: **Ryan Wyckoff**

Secretary: **Damie Cramer**



**Ms. Sandra Finch** | *Term runs to 2027*

Elected to the DACC Board in April 2021, Ms. Finch is the Human Relations Director for the City of Danville. Over the past six years, she has served on DACC's Access, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, which provides community input to the College regarding its efforts to provide outreach to underrepresented groups in the community and to build greater diversity in its workforce. A Danville resident, Ms. Finch also serves on the United Way Community Investment Committee; she serves as Treasurer for the Vermilion County Unmet Needs Committee, which provides financial resources to individuals in the community whose situations do not qualify for local resources; and she is the Program Chair for the Dr. Martin Luther King Celebration Committee.



**Mr. Dylan Haun** | *Term runs to 2027*

Mr. Haun was elected to the DACC Board in 2021. A DACC graduate, in 2015-16, he served on the DACC Board as student trustee. After earning an associate degree, Mr. Haun received a bachelor in science in occupational safety from Columbia Southern University. He's currently matriculated in a master in business administration program at the University of Illinois' Gies Business School. He currently serves as the safety engineer for Guardian West. His younger brother Logan has also served as a student trustee at DACC.



**Mr. Terry Hill** | *Term runs to 2023*

Mr. Hill was elected to the DACC Board in 2017. A DACC graduate, he earned a bachelor's degree from Illinois Wesleyan and a master's degree from Eastern Illinois University. As DACC's track-and-field coach, he won four straight national championships from 1993-1996 and was named "coach of the year" for all four years. After a 30-year career as a teacher in Oakwood, he became athletic director at Danville High School, retiring in 2007. Mr. Hill was inducted into the NJCAA National Track and Field Hall of Fame in 2005.



**Mr. John Spezia** | *Term runs to 2023*

Coach Spezia was elected to the DACC Board in 2011 after having served as the DACC basketball coach for 23 years and DACC's athletic director for 19 years. He coached DACC to the 1991 NJCAA national championship. He was elected to the Hall of Fame for the National Junior College Athletic Association and for the Illinois Basketball Coaches' Association. He helped bring the NJCAA national men's basketball tournament to Danville in 1994. He was also elected to the DACC Hall of Fame and the Illiana Sports Hall of Fame. Other roles include serving as president of the NJCAA Men's Basketball Coaches Association, the assistant men's director for Region 24, a coach for the men's national basketball team of Antigua/Barbuda, a board member of the Danville Boys & Girls Club, and a board member for the Illinois Basketball Museum. He is currently athletic director and boys' basketball coach for Notre Dame de LaSalette Academy. In 2020, he became the chair of Danville's Palmer Arena Board.



**Ms. Olivia Logue** — **Student Trustee**

*Term runs from April 2022 – April 2023*

DACC Board for 2022-23. An honors' student from Armstrong, IL, Ms. Logue is studying applied computer science as her major. She is the third Logue sister to attend DACC. After graduation, she plans to transfer to Southern Illinois University to pursue a bachelor's degree and a possible career as a software developer. For relaxation, she enjoys walking the country roads with her dog (and sometimes a cat) while surrounded by cornfields.

# Chapter Two: Student Learning

## Accreditation

The Higher Learning Commission's visiting team praised DACC in the progress made in Criteria 3A, 4B, and 5D—and in particular the work of the assessment champions to establish student-learning outcomes for all DACC programs and courses.

## Adult Education

Adult Education developed a welding program for students in high-school equivalency programs. The department also responded to a request from OSF Healthcare by implementing a fast-track C.N.A. program.

## Alternative Technologies

Through the DACC Foundation, a local wind-tech company, IEA, has pledged \$20,000 annually to support scholarships for students in wind and solar fields. Scholarships also help pay for "life skills" classes.

## American Job Center

Added and promoted the Basic Student Information (BSI) form to the AJC Web site and social-media posts. The form collects information about individual students in need of assistance and allows College staff to assist the students in a case management system that gives students access to comprehensive services (workshops, employment assistance, additional funding, supportive services, internships, etc.). Staff promoted the BSI with classroom visits to CTE programs.

The American Job Center and Vermilion County Works received State recognition for the successful conclusion of the \$225,000 "Bridge and Innovation" program in providing training to 66 job seekers who would be hired and retained by local companies.

## Articulation

Entered into an articulation agreement with Southern Illinois University to offer full programs in six high-demand fields: accounting, business administration, criminal justice, psychology, health-care management, and radiologic sciences. Degree completion is online.

## Assessment

Through the efforts of the faculty, and especially the faculty assessment champions, DACC successfully prepared and documented student-learning outcomes for courses, programs, and co-curricular activities.

## Barbering

The DACC Curriculum committee approved a two-year program in barbering that is awaiting ICCB approval. The program has attracted high demand and will require a second section. Classes will be held at Danville's Village Mall.

## Casino Training

With Casino groundbreaking on Apr. 19, Corporate Ed is ready to begin training personnel in hospitality, casino games,

machine repair, and casino security. A \$50,000 annual scholarship donation to the DACC Foundation will ensure that most trainees will pay no tuition.

## Corporate Education

In 2021-22, the department served 42 companies, trained 3,612 current and prospective workers, earning a new revenue through contracting training of \$111,082.

Corporate Education developed a Professional Administrative Certification of Excellence (PACE) certificate to train aspiring administrative assistants.

## "Couplet" Courses

Courses taught as "couplets"—that is linked consecutively in eight-week blocks—included mathematics, biology, physical science, anatomy and physiology, and microbiology. These were available for the fall and spring on the Danville Campus and as dual enrollment at the Schlarman Academy.

## DACC Academy

Introduced DACC Academy as a component of the master plan—an outline of the full gamut of courses and programs available to high-school students.

## Dual-Credit Classes

During 2021, the dual-credit program helped seven students from regional high schools graduate with associate degrees. Another 40 earned at least a full year of college credits (30) when they graduated from high school.

DACC's admissions and records resumed its annual Articulation Workshop to help raise guidance counselors' awareness about new dual-credit offerings.

## Early Childhood Education

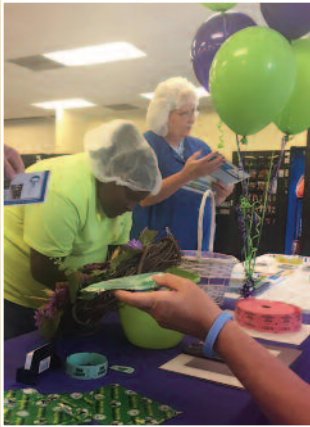
With the State allocating more than \$600,000 to DACC to support participation in the Early Childhood Education consortium, the College has developed an application that includes a request to hire a program coordinator.

## Healthcare Pathway Certificate

DACC developed a Health Professions Exploration Certificate, which is designed to give C.N.A. graduates a better understanding of the various healthcare roles as well as provide basic healthcare content that will assist in bridging the gap between C.N.A and more advanced healthcare programs.

## Health Information Technology

The national accrediting body, CAHIIM, reviewed DACC's Health Information Technology Program and awarded a perfect score. To prepare for the accreditor's review, the HIT department had conducted a gap analysis to ensure curriculum and assessment were in alignment with the CAHIM standards



One of the nine participating companies in “Coopetition” is Quaker Oats, which had a job fair that DACC hosted on Feb. 7 and 8, 2022. Nearly 100 job-seekers attended the event, resulting in more than 30 job offers.



Careers in welding remain a “hot” priority among local manufacturers. Through the summer College for Kids program, DACC Welding Instructor R.J. Rowland gives children as young as age 12 their first experience as welders.

State-certified Instructor and barber-shop owner Terry Gouard will be teaching DACC’s barbering program, which is scheduled to begin holding classes at the Danville Village Mall in early 2023.



DACC student Lorenz Tiu, demonstrating how his computer-aided design program is able to control the movements of a robotic arm in DACC’s newly renovated robotics lab.



### **Industrial Support**

DACC entered into an articulation agreement with Southern Illinois University for a transferable AAS to a bachelor’s degree in Industrial Management and Applied Engineering.

### **Middle College**

In Spring 2022, efforts continued to build upon a partnership between Middle College and TRIO as a retention strategy to include current participants and graduates to continue their educational goals at DACC. A special event was held in April 2022 to introduce Middle College students to TRIO. The TRIO Director and Middle College coordinators worked together to assist students with completing the TRIO program application.

### **Music Programs**

Based on his sabbatical work, Dr. Eric Simonson has developed new music programs: an AAS in music performance, an AFA in music education, an AAS in music business and media production, and certificates for each.

### **Nursing**

Nursing faculty conducted a gap analysis to ensure that the curriculum was in alignment with the accreditation standards by the National League for Nursing as well as QSEN, Quality and Safety Education for Nurses.

### **Program Development**

Academic Affairs worked with CCMSI to develop training for claims examiners.

### **Robotics**

The new robotics lab was unveiled in May, attracting more than 50 local manufacturers and community members. A new curriculum based on local manufacturing needs has been approved by the Curriculum Committee.

### **Teaching Strategies**

Academic Affairs developed a plan to hire faculty to serve as TLC champions who will provide online training.

### **Vermilion County Works**

Through the PC’s for People program, Vermilion County Works became a distribution site for free laptops and mobile hot spots. In April 2022, VCW hosted an outreach event to distribute computers to 48 people in need.

Vermilion County works secured a \$275,000 federal apprenticeship grant to support an additional 73 apprenticeships.

Vermilion County Works sponsored “Drive Thru” Job Fairs on Campus in September and May. Six individual companies held open-house Fairs in the Bremer Center.

Vermilion County Works participates in an alliance called “Coopetition,” which involves nine local manufacturers along with DACC’s Corporate Education, Vermilion Advantage, and DACC’s Small Business Development Center.



This year, DACC added mechatronics to the career-and-technical education programs offered at the Danville Correctional Center. The others are construction, automotive, and career tech.



Nursing Professor Dr. Nicole Carter was the keynote speaker for the Dec. 16, 2022, nurses' pinning ceremony. Eighteen graduates earned their pins and made the nursing pledge. Graduate Ashtin Atkinson gave a rousing class response, giving each student a voice to thank loved ones.



HIT Clinical Coordinator Marcie Wright shown here addressing a lunch meeting with the Health Information Technology Advisory Board. In March 2022, DACC got the word that the HIT program earned a perfect score from the accreditors.



On Apr. 25, Vermilion County Works teamed up with "PC's for People" to distribute 47 free computers to job seekers. Shown standing in the back are VCW Director Jonathan Jett; Marguerite Baily, assistant to Illinois State Representative Mike Marron; and VCW Coordinator Chuck Jones.



On May 19, 60 Middle College and Adult Ed students celebrated their success in becoming high-school graduates. Shown here are tutor Ann Vogel and grad Chantel Barber. A volunteer math tutor, Ms. Vogel earned special recognition from Director Terry Goodwin as 100% of her students passed math on the GED.



Agriculture Associate Professor Brandy Marron built this obstacle course for the College's first-ever Drone-flying competition in the Mary Miller Gym. More than 30 students from six local high schools competed. Local agriculture businesses also participated.

## THE MAGIC NUMBER

# 37%

Percentage of high-school graduates in Vermilion County who attend DACC.

## 1 TO 16

DACC's Faculty-to-Student Ratio, a hallmark of a college that is positioned to advance student success by supplying small class sizes and keep employee engagement.

## THE MAGIC NUMBER

# 36

The number of bachelor's degree programs that DACC students have available locally and affordably thanks to DACC's 3 + 1 partnerships with Franklin University, Iowa Wesleyan University, and Eastern Illinois University. Students earn a bachelor's degree by completing a DACC associate degree and then an additional year of DACC classes. The remaining 30 credits are through online classes.



## MOST POPULAR MAJORS AT DACC

1. Nursing
2. Business
3. Education
4. Criminal Justice
5. Psychology

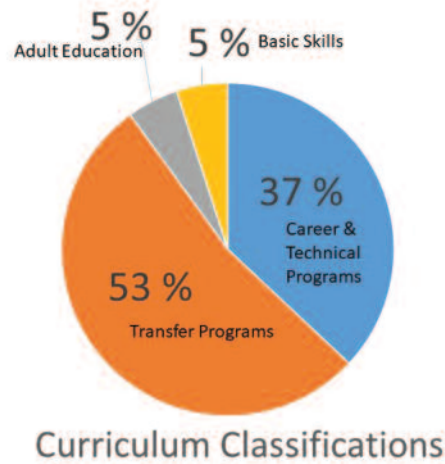
## PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Associate Degrees:	34
Certificates:	51
Bachelor's Degrees (3 + 1 partners):	36

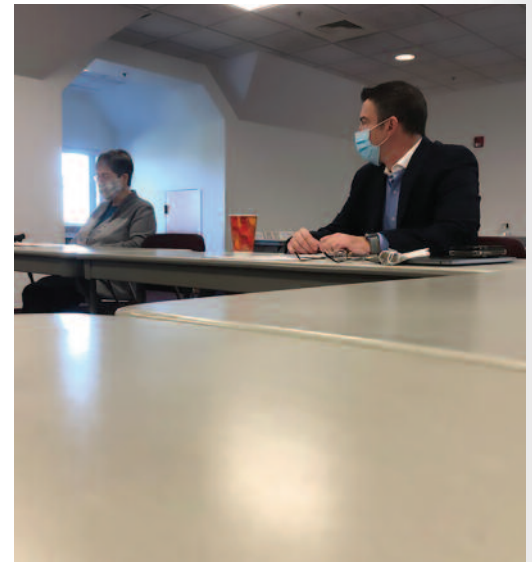
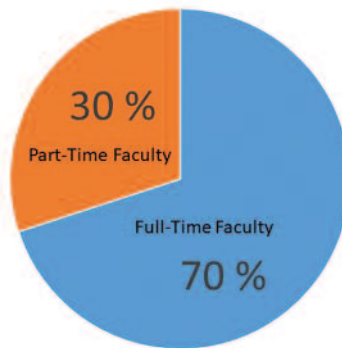
## THE MAGIC NUMBER

# 108%

Increased enrollment in DACC online courses during FY 2021-22 as a result of the Covid pandemic. The year's total of 29,289 online credit hours was the highest in College history.



## Courses Taught at DACC



The Higher Learning Commission's visiting team of Dr. Sherri Barrett and Dr. Bradley Piazza gave DACC two thumbs up during their Nov. 8, 2021, "focused visit" to the DACC campus. Dr. Barrett is the director for the office of assessment, evaluation, and institutional outcomes for Johnson County Community College (Independence, MO) and Dr. Bradley Piazza is vice president of learning for Waukesha County Technical College (Franklin, WI).



Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for community-college students, inducted 29 new members in a ceremony held on Mar. 3, 2022, in the Bremer Theater. State Senator Scott Bennett was the keynote speaker, praising PTK for their help in delivering thousands of valentines and socks to local residents. At the podium is PTK President Laura Duncan. In late April, PTK adviser Ronnie Johnson would lead a delegation of students to the PTK national conference in Colorado.

### ENROLLMENT IN HEADCOUNT

FY2022	5,184
FY 2021	5,369
FY 2020	7,663
FY 2019	7,913
FY2018	8,182

### ENROLLMENT IN CREDIT HOURS

FY 2022	37,011
FY 2021	40,378
FY 2020	48,799
FY 2019	50,852
FY 2018	51,526

### AVERAGE AGE OF CREDIT STUDENTS

FY 2022	26
FY 2021	20
FY 2020	29
FY 2019	27
FY 2018	28

# Chapter Three: Student Success

## **Athletics**

To support the recruitment of student-athletes, the College renovated the weight room by expanding the space and the quality of the facility and the equipment.

## **Career Services**

After a two-year hiatus, College Relations produced the 2022 edition of “Great Careers in the Danville Area,” featuring 48 local employers. The booklet is distributed to DACC students at the Career Services Center as well as job-seekers at Vermilion County Works and the American Job Center.

## **Child Development Center**

Illinois’ Department of Child and Family Services extended the CDC’s license for three additional years. The Center was 100 percent in compliance with DCFS rules and regulations.

The CDC earned the ExceleRate Silver Status of Excellence again, thereby allowing the Center to receive over \$40,000 in grant funds to improve the Center, buy supplies, and fund additional Teacher costs.

## **Communications**

Student Services hired an Administrative Assistant & Communications Coordinator to establish targeted communication plans to various student groups. The Assistant helps all Student Service areas to streamline the messages, branding, timeliness, and effectiveness.

## **Department of Corrections**

In response to State requests, DACC has developed a mechatronics training program and hired an instructor.

## **Disability Services**

Disability Services improved access to tests and learning materials by introducing Kurzweil software to interface with the Blackboard learning-management system.

## **Financial Support**

In addition to the \$2,765,000 awarded in Pell and MAP, the College utilized Covid-related grant funds to assist students with unplanned Covid expenses. Based on credit hours enrolled and student need, \$1,019,427 was distributed to the students enrolled.

## **Food Service**

The Finance Division developed a plan for College-managed food service, beginning in Fall 2022.

## **Hoopeston Learning Center**

With Hoopeston Area High, the Center has begun promoting the general-education certificate and has increased College Express enrollment in auto mechanics, graphic design, early-childhood

education, health occupations and culinary arts. Adult Ed classes resumed in the fall after a Covid-related hiatus. The Center also resumed Accuplacer and ALEKS testing.

Spring and Summer 2021 enrollment at the HLC were the highest in years as a result of six new camps and more sections of high-demand classes. The Center also saw burgeoning interest in eSports.

## **Operation Graduation**

The graduation rate for first-time, full-time students who began attending DACC in the Fall 2019 was 43 percent—the highest rate in more than three decades. This is a 7-percent increase from last year’s cohort rate which was 36 percent.

## **Recruitment**

Recruitment unveiled “Discover DACC Days” in February on the Danville Campus and in Hoopeston. Presenters included a academic and student-services staff as well as faculty and the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Also installed an automated main line phone system to give students and customers direct access to the departments they are calling.

Hired a Student Services Administrative Assistant & Communications Coordinator to establish targeted communication plans to various student groups. The Assistant helps all Student Service areas to streamline the messages, branding, timeliness, and effectiveness.

Participated in an Interact audit of all student onboarding documents and communications to ensure that the message and information we are trying to give the students is received. Documents and practices were compared to national best practices and a plan of action was developed for FY23. Information will be used to improve student orientations, marketing materials, and other critical communications.

Identified the need to improve Testing services onsite at the local high schools. Automated and restructured DACC Registration Days (process where high schools seniors are invited to campus to register for the upcoming Fall term). Process was streamlined for students, high school counselors, and DACC advisors.

Representatives from Student Services and the Foundation attended assemblies in every high school in District 507 and presented information on applying for DACC scholarships. More than 42 percent applications received were from high-school applicants, and 14 percent of the total were current dual-credit students.

## **Retention Initiatives**

The Board approved DACC’s purchase of a Customer

Relationship Management (Advise) system to support student retention, engagement, and progress toward graduation. Implementation will begin in summer 2022.

The College developed a student spirit group named the DACC PACC. The group will support other activities on campus (sports, gaming, etc.). Initial activities provided needed engagement and support for other groups/activities.

Improved the student experience at DACC with eSports/gaming activities, virtual reality activities, and personalized services (disability services, TRIO, past billing issues, etc.).

Implemented “On the Go” advising in May—on-site at various campus locations.

### Student Activities

The College hosted a regional IHSA eSports competition in April, attracting more than 80 regional high-school students. DACC has applied to host future eSports tournaments for the high-school association.

### Student Satisfaction

With regard to Ruffalo-Noel-Levitz Student Satisfactory Inventory data, DACC student services compared favorably to the National average. The data show that students believe DACC far exceeds the National average in Student Centeredness, Instructional Effectiveness, Responsiveness to Diverse Populations, Campus Support Services, Safety & Security, Advisement & Counseling, Admissions & Financial Aid, Registration Effectiveness, Concern for the Individual, and Campus Climate. In order to achieve these high satisfaction rates, DACC has implemented significant improvements in every category since the last survey in Fall 2019. These metrics demonstrate that quality, student centeredness, and student satisfaction are priorities at DACC.

### Technology Support for Students

Institutionalized the Technology Educational Loan Program into a front-line student service office, Testing & Academic Services, to inform and assist students earlier in their educational journey. Nearly 800 students have utilized the TELP program to date.

### TRIO

During the 2021-2022 TRIO program year, 100% of TRIO Student Support Services Program participants received individualized academic advisement services with 71% having received in-demand career awareness and exploration services.

The TRIO Leadership Ambassadors application opened in late fall 2021 and eight new members to this group were selected. An orientation was held in January 2022 and new members were introduced to their new role and participated in team building activities. The TRIO Leadership Ambassadors have met on a bi-weekly basis since January 2022 and have participated in several TRIO and campus-wide events to promote TRIO services to the broader student population.

### Underrepresented Students

TRIO Student Support Services and Toolbox have continued its partnership in support of increasing retention and graduation rates of first-time, full-time African-American male students. Due to various factors, the number of active Toolbox members has decreased. All of the current and active Toolbox members are TRIO participants and have weekly one-on-one meetings with the Coordinator of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

After several months of research, including focus-group meetings, the College developed an Equity Plan that was vetted with the College community and approved by the Board in April 2022. The Equity Plan features seven key strategies to recruit and retain a diverse workforce and student body. The College also established an Official Diversity Statement approved by Board of Trustees on Oct. 28, 2022.

### Veterans

Career Services focused on increasing tutoring and job-placement support for veterans through the Veterans Center in Cannon Hall.

### Wellness Support

Utilizing Cares Act funding, DACC partnered with CrossPoint Human Services to provide therapeutic services to DACC students and staff, free of charge. Funds were also used to promote Mental Health Awareness by passing out support packets to students around campus and sponsor an expert mental health speaker to present on campus.



Vermilion County Works and the American Job Center earned kudos for their performance in State's \$225,000 “Bridge and Innovation” Program. Shown here with American Job Center Assistant VP Brian Hensgen (right) is Jeremy Morgeson, who is the Resource Room Assistant for the One-Stop.



A DACC success story, thanks to the “Second Chance” Program: Joseph Sergent, an Army veteran who graduated in May 2022. Thanks to a referral by the College Career Services Center and Professor Kathy Hunter, Joseph was hired as a systems engineer immediately after graduation. He's shown here visiting one of his favorite stomping grounds while he attended DACC—in the Cannon Hall Veterans' Center.



DACC paid tribute to the College's first two African-American athletes during a special presentation at the Mary Miller Gym on Feb. 12. Robert Williams (left) and Clifford Dupree (second from right) received recognition during an on-court ceremony between women's and men's basketball games. DACC sophomores Elijah Hicks and Daylen Davis-Williams helped with the presentation of DACC uniforms.

Recruiter Alexis Simmons, Registrar Timothy Morgan, and student worker Decarlo Flagg at the Aug. 3, 2022, Open House. Nearly 50 students registered for classes for a total of 432 credit hours. Many of them were former students who were returning after having dropped out due to Covid.



## THE MAGIC NUMBER

# 43%

Graduation rate in 2022 for first-time, full-time degree seekers who entered DACC in the Fall of 2019—which is 21-percent higher than the national average for community colleges.



The DACC Softball team became the 7th ranked team in the nation after an improbable run through the regional tournament and a trip to the nationals in Oxford, Alabama on May 24-28. The team finished the regular season with an overall record of 43 wins. What is equally impressive is their performance in the classroom, as the team's collective grade-point average is 3.33.



In May 2022, student-athletes Tyler Strako and Caleb Lavender qualified for last month's Division II National Championship Golf Tournament in Joplin, MO. Qualifying for nationals only three years after being restored as sport at DACC is an amazing feat for the coach and players. The Board of Trustees also deserves praise for their support of the program. A big round of applause for DACC's men's golf team under Coach Terry French (left).



Feb. 25, 2022, was national TRIO Day in honor of DACC's federally funded program that supports nearly "at risk" 200 students with services including personal counseling, tutoring, and financial literacy. For the day's festivities in the Mary Miller Complex, the TRIO staff and students offered baked goods and Dr. Wade's famous coffee. Here to greet the celebrants are Alexis Simmons, Chelsea Thomas, Jenesis Maynard, and Jalon Glover. Kudos to TRIO staff and Director Shanay Wright.

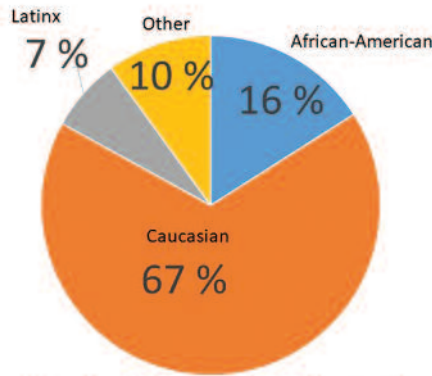
# NUMBER OF DACC GRADS 2022

Assoc of Applied Science	106
Assoc. in Engineering Science	1
Assoc. in Fine Arts in Art Ed.	1
Assoc. in General Studies	38
Assoc. of Fine Arts in Art	1
General Assoc. in Arts	104
General Assoc. in Science	13
Certificates	247
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>511</b>

# DACC STUDENT ATHLETES

## NJCAA All-Academic Members (3.50 or better grade point average)

2006-7	2
2007-8	1
2008-9	2
2009-10	2
2010-11	1
2011-12	4
2012-13	3
2013-14	4
2014-15	4
2015-16	4
2016-17	7
2017-18	11
2018-19	8
2019-20	16
2020-21	19
2021-22	25

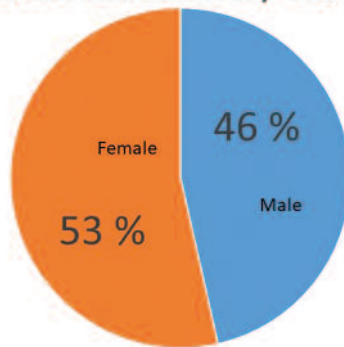


Student Race & Ethnicity



For nearly 20 years, DACC has been recognized nationally as an Achieving the Dream College, based primarily on its commitment to data-driven decision making and its strategic focus on improving the success rates of underrepresented and low-income students. Shown here is DACC's new ATD Coach, Dr. Vanessa Morest from Westchester Community College and the State University of New York system.

## DACC Students by Gender



## GRADUATION RATES (3-YEAR, FIRST-TIME, FULL-TIME)

Class of 2022 (Fall 2019 cohort)	43%
Class of 2021 (Fall 2018 cohort)	36%
Class of 2020 (Fall 2017 cohort)	37%
Class of 2019 (Fall 2016 cohort)	42%
Class of 2018 (Fall 2015 cohort)	38%
Class of 2017 (Fall 2014 cohort)	38%



On Apr. 23, 2022, DACC hosted more than 80 students from 16 high schools along with 35 DACC students in the Illinois High School Association's regional tournament. The high schools included Milford, Kankakee, and Watseka from Iroquois County as well as Salt Ford, Danville 118, and Armstrong from Vermilion County, Mahomet from Champaign, and Bloomington from McLean County.

To address high local, regional, and national demand for more tractor-trailer operators, DACC has hired an additional full-time instructor and purchased a new cab. CDL Coordinator Pete Powell and his team are moving at full throttle with the six-week training taking place throughout weekdays and weekends—morning, noon, and night.



## MOST GRADUATES BY PROGRAM

General Associate in Arts (Transfer)	104
Certified Nurse Assistant Certificate	51
Tractor/Trailer Certificate	38
Associate in General Studies	38
Nursing AAS	33
Level 1 Nursing Certificate	31
Applied Computer Science	15
General Associate in Science	13
Culinary Arts	11
Radiologic Technology AAS	10
CNC Machine Tool Operator	7

# Chapter Four: Institutional Excellence

## **Advisement Support**

Counseling implemented the online appointment scheduling system for advisors and counselors as well as an online Degree Audit Request form for students to access off campus.

## **Affirmative Action**

To encourage increased opportunities for minority- and women-owned businesses to be awarded contracts with DACC, Finance implemented new restrictions on the use of blanket purchases. Finance has also compiled an extensive list of eligible Business Enterprise Program businesses.

## **Architectural Work**

Architect Bailey Edward has developed buildable plans for renovation of both the Clock Tower project and for Hegeler Hall.

## **Chief Academic Officer**

Human Resources attracted more than 50 applicants for the key position of vice president of academic affairs (chief academic officer) and managed a hiring process leading to the hiring of Dr. Carl Bridges in November 2021.

## **Chief Diversity Officer**

Stephane Potts, Director of Academic Advisement & Counseling/Transfer Articulation, became DACC's new Chief Diversity Officer. Her 12-year experience in student counseling at DACC as well as her doctoral scholarship on supporting success for students in underrepresented groups will help support her leadership roles with the community Access, Equity & Diversity group. She will also guide the College via the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion committee in operationalizing the Board-directed Equity Plan.

## **Cloud Computing**

The “go live” migration from on-campus servers to a secure off-campus “cloud computing” system took place in February 2022. The first systems to migrate to the Cloud were User Interface, Web advisor and Self-Service UI.

## **Cross-Training**

Five staff members in the Finance Department volunteered to participate in a process that required several months of cross-training as cashiers, payroll, purchasing, and accounts payable.

## **Employee Wellness**

Human Resources resumed monthly Wellness Day in September 2021. The program provided free flu shots and blood tests to more than 150 faculty and staff. Human Resources also disseminates weekly information emails for “Wellness Wednesday” as well as monthly wellness challenges and incentives.

## **Governance**

Based on recommendations from the Governance Action Committee, the College has six standing committees in addition to the faculty-led Curriculum committee and the ad-hoc Insurance committee. Governance forums are held monthly via Zoom and have had high participation rates.

## **Hiring Equity**

DACC's Equity plan includes strategies for hiring and retaining employees from underrepresented groups. Through the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion committee, the chief diversity officer, and the vice president of Human Resources, the College is committed to operationalizing the hiring strategies that the Equity Plan adduces.

## **Labor Negotiations**

Through an interest-based bargaining process, the College and the Faculty Association agreed to a one-year contract, effective July 1, 2022, that includes a number of new initiatives to benefit both students and employees, such as the development of a Teaching and Learning Center to assist faculty in year-round professional development.

## **Online Scholarship Applications**

DACC developed an online application with the help of the Online Learning department.

## **Pay Equity**

All administrative and classified full time positions were evaluated in 2021 through the Compease system. Human Resources continues to review new and upgrades positions through Compease. In the past year, Compease recommended a suitable grade for DACC's maintenance mechanics.

## **Renovation and Construction**

Facilities Department completed a number of renovation projects, including the installation of a new elevator in the Mary Miller Complex, the sanding and painting of the Gym floor, the renovation of Lincoln Hall, room 205; a new fence for the Child Development Center's playground, improved lighting for Hoopston's exterior, upgrades to the robotics lab in the Tech Center, new ballast and lights with energy-efficient LED lighting to earn a \$9,000 rebate from the electrical company.

## **Security Enhancements**

DACC implemented the Alertus Emergency Communication System to deliver immediate alarm notification to computer monitors, video screens, and hallway beacons. The system will also include a text-messaging service (Rave), a mobile-phone app, and wireless panic buttons.

## **SharePoint**

The College completed the installation of SharePoint, an

Intranet that served as a repository for institutional documents that the Higher Learning Commission reviewed for the November 2021 focused visit. All HLC focused-visit materials were prepared and presented via SharePoint to the site visitors during their visit in November 2021.

### Student Communications

The College developed, designed and started implementation of Ellucian Experience which will be used to improve student communications via myDACC portal. With one click, students will be able to access their student records, class schedule,

balance due, financial aid, online courses, social media, and much more. The system integrates the students' preferences, Colleague information, Student Planner, Blackboard, and CRM Advise.

### Telephone Upgrade

The DACC Board approved funding for replacing the current telephone system with a Voice Over Internet Protocol or VOIP system. VOIP will improve telephone functionality and will support the College's improved security systems.

For the third year in a row, DACC offered tuition waivers for students participating in the Pep Band. To be eligible, pep-band students need to perform at least five times during the spring semester, such as during men's and women's home basketball games.



Under the leadership of Vice President Tammy Betancourt (left), DACC was able to "Go Live" on Feb. 23, thereby launching a five-day process that led to the successful migration of DACC's essential computer systems to the off-site Ellucian Cloud. Shown here receiving commendations for their months'-long efforts (from left) are Sadie Edwards, Kalie Kilgore, Carol Neff, Peggy Marruffo, Jessica Miles, Timothy Morgan, Lisa Osborne, Stacy Ehmen, Sherri Grubbs, Maggie Hoover, Kelley Beckett, Mark Barnes, Brian Weilmunster, and Isela Rangel. Other key contributors include Tom Carey, Johna Bolton, and Tammy Riggelman.



DACC's new Chief Diversity Officer is Stephanie Potts. For the past 12 years, she has served as the College's director of counseling and articulation. One of her first priorities will be to operationalize the seven Board-approved strategies in the College Equity Plan.



Sonography Associate Professor Rachel Arnholt showing off a new arrival in the medical-imaging nursery, a Fetus Ultrasound Phantom. Funded in part by a grant from Iroquois Federal Savings & Loan, the phantom contains a 23-week-old model fetus with full anatomy placed in the uterus that students can scan with digital-imaging equipment. Professor Arnholt is scanning the artificial baby bump with a sonography machine.

Thanks to generous employees, the Classified Staff set a record this year for cash and gift donations for Operation Santa, providing toys for 20 children, food cards, and gift bags for 24 local women. Shown here on Dec. 13, 2021, to prepare for delivering gifts are Admissions and Registration staff Susan Cox, Stephen Scott, Margie Arlington, Carrie Reed, and Mary Jo Gentrup.



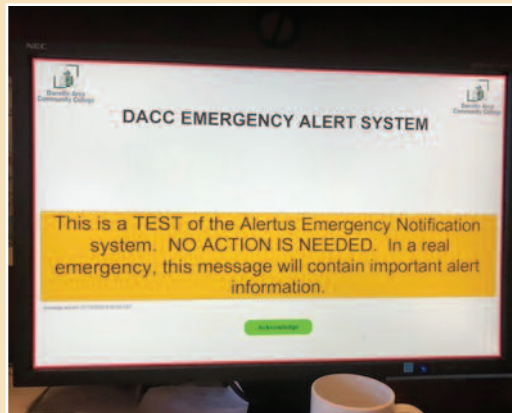


South Suburban of Illinois capped off a perfect 32-0 season with a national championship during the Mar. 15-19 NJCAA Division II men's basketball tournament. DACC has hosted the event for 29 years.

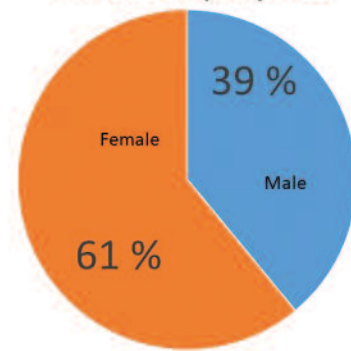


What a brilliant idea by DACC's Human Resources Department! To show appreciation during the College's faculty and staff, HR delivered a "Thank You" box to every employee. The boxes were filled with all sorts of sweet goodies as well as "superstar" socks. Shown here are the appreciative Facilities staff: student worker Cade Howie and Maintenance Mechanics Garry Morris, Brandon Tuggle, and Larry Curtis.

On Tues., July 12, at precisely 8:30 a.m., the Alertus emergency mass-notification system was officially launched, courtesy of Public Safety Director Nathan Howie and Chief Information Officer Mark Barnes. Every powered-on computer in Vermilion, Cannon, Lincoln, and Prairie Hall suddenly began displaying this alert message. As a system test, the computer user was asked to click "acknowledge" so that the computer would return to normal operations.



### DACC Employees



<b>Full Time Faculty</b>	62
<b>Administrator/Professional Employees (includes Department of Corrections)</b>	71
<b>Support Staff Employees</b>	59
<b>Part-Time Employees</b>	
Part-Time Faculty	66
Federal Work Study and Student Workers	36
Continuing Part-Time Support Staff	2
Tutors and Coaches	26

### EMPLOYEE EDUCATION LEVEL

	Faculty	Admin	Staff
Doctorate	25 %	4 %	0 %
Master	52 %	21 %	1 %
Bachelor	13 %	47 %	14 %
Associate	6 %	20 %	52 %
High School	4 %	8 %	33 %

### DACC FACULTY ASSOCIATION

President - Ashley Hargrove  
 VP - Amanda Poffinbarger  
 Secretary - Candi Milam  
 Treasurer - Marji Larson  
 Membership - Ruth Lindemann

### CLASSIFIED STAFF ASSOCIATION

President: Brandon Tuggle  
 Vice President: Angel Fellers  
 Treasurer: Suzanna Aguirre  
 Secretary: Jeanne Dunn

## ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD 2022 AWARD NOMINEES

Outstanding Full-Time Faculty:	Associate Professor Kathy Hunter
Outstanding Adjunct Faculty:	Part-time Instructor Emily Chappell
Distinguished Alumnus:	City of Danville Alderman Robert Williams
Pacesetter:	Financial Aid Director Sadie Edwards
Gandhi/King Peace Essayist:	DACC student Jalon Glover
Paul Simon Student Essayist:	DACC student Mikayla Williams
Education Awards: DACC	Trustees Dave Harby and Greg Wolfe

## FINANCIAL AID FACTS AT DACC (2021-22)

<b>Pell Grant Recipients:</b>	626
<b>Monetary Assist. Program Recipients:</b>	485
<b>MAP Disbursements:</b>	\$490,278
<b>Pell Disbursements:</b>	\$2,275,127
<b>Loan Recipients:</b>	69
<b>Loan Disbursements:</b>	\$291,967



# Chapter Five: Organizational Advancement

## All-Star Jaguars

The All-Star Care Team selected 17 students to be Jaguar All-Stars who participated in all marketing and recruitment campaigns throughout the year. For being participants, they received tuition waivers of \$600 per semester.

## Donor Recognition

The Foundation moved the “Wall of Honor” plaques to the south wall of the Bremer Center lobby and fabricated additional plaques for donors who contributed more than \$100,000. On the south wall are those in the \$1,000-to-\$100,000 range as well as the Mary Miller Society.

The Foundation celebrated DACC’s 75th anniversary on Oct. 22 in Jacobs Hall, inviting more than 100 former employees and alumni donors.

## eSports

Two additional eSports coaches have been hired. A local high school is using the College’s eSports lab as their practice facility. Plans have been designed by an architect to repurpose part of the library for a new eSports and production area. A simulated driving unit was added to the lab.

## Foundation Scholarships

In 2021-22, the Foundation awarded 658 scholarships valued at \$945,450—an all-time record amount. For the second year in a row, 100 percent of the students who applied for scholarships and attend DACC received scholarships. Thirty-two new scholarships were added during the year.

## Fundraising

The Foundation received \$2,494,997.00 in contributions since July 1, 2021. This includes funding from grants, bequests, in-kind gifts, and employee contributions. The total includes gifts generated from mailing 1,568 annual-appeal letters for a total of \$204,598.

## “Legends” Series

The Video Team produced two more “Legends” videos—each running 28 minutes with three featured speakers. The videos appear on YouTube and on the College’s cable channel.

## Library

Hundreds of DACC students and community members visited the library during the week of Apr. 3, when the Auschwitz Art exhibit was on display.

## Marketing and Branding

A seven-member team of employees with expertise in a wide range of marketing—including advertising, video production, social media, and graphic design—produced a Branding Standards guide for dissemination to the College and review by the Board of Trustees. The marketing team, under the guidance

of the vice president of operations, collaborates on all institutional-marketing campaigns.

Using the Emma email newsletter application, College Relations has been sending alumni and Foundation friends the new alumni story videos, as well as the stories about current students.

Student Services updated and created various marketing and recruitment pieces: Discover DACC Postcards (to invite HS sophomores and juniors to dual credit/college express night); Are You Ready for College postcards to trigger HS seniors to start registration process, financial aid, scholarships, career services, etc.; Dual Credit Tuition Comparison Chart; GECC flyers specific to each high schools dual credit resources. Together with College Relations, the department created a Jaguar Die Cut for a one-page view book; A traditional College view book; presentation folders; “How to Pay” brochures; and “What is Self Service” handouts for orientations.

A 3D digital camera was purchased to create, maintain and update the online virtual tour of campus. The tour was developed and posted online using an off-site hosting site.

## Mascot Mania

DACC’s Video Production team utilized the College mascot, Mick Jaguar, in several social media campaigns.

## NJCAA Men’s Basketball Tournament

Facilities Department installed a massive video board in the Mary Miller Gymnasium. The video board was unveiled during the NJCAA Div. II men’s national-basketball championship tournament in March 2022.

## Online Advertising

The student promotional videos, #MyDACCStory, have generated high activity in social media. The program was expanded to include alumni.

## Outreach to Children

The College developed a coloring book about DACC/Mick Jaguar for younger children.

## School Outreach

DACC’s admissions and records resumed its annual Articulation Workshop to help raise guidance counselors’ awareness about new dual-credit offerings.

Recruitment developed a portfolio with presentations and workshops, appropriate for specific age groups (beginning in the 8th grade – 12th grade).

## Sister School

DACC continued to boost its alliance with neighbor and “sister

school,” Meade Park Elementary School. One highlight was the annual “Family Reading Night” in November.

### Sound Studio Upgrade

With the introduction of music programs in production and in the business of music, a sound recording studio has been set up to accommodate students include a sound board, microphones, and baffles.

### Small Business Development Center

The SBDC entered into a lease agreement to provide the SBDC across from the Village Mall.

### Television and Video Production

DACC’s TV Production and Creative Services staff produced a YouTube Playlist with all program videos produced to date. Videos have been linked to program pages on the DACC Web site, as well as a link to the playlist on enrollment campaign landing page. Long-format and short format versions have been shared, as appropriate, on various social-media platforms, including weekly TikTok videos.

The TV studio and control room have been updated with three new production sets, studio cameras, switching unit, and audio sources.

DACC mascot Mick Jaguar snatched up two cuties during the Nov. 18, 2021, “Family Reading Night” that DACC’s Campus Community Team hosted with Meade Park Elementary School.



Tyler Taylor (left) of Danville-based Awebco, receiving the “Entrepreneur of the Year 2022” award from Small Business Development Center Director Earle Steiner. Other businesses winning SBDC awards were Legacy Small Business: Newton’s Cleaning and Restoration; Small Business of the Year: Owens Excavating and Trucking; and Small Business Start-up: “It’s in Your Head,” featuring personal and emotional wellness therapist Hunter LaFave.

Meet DACC’s first-ever group of DACC All-Star Jaguars (back row, from left): Sydney Scholz, Sydney Long, Carey Heatherly, Autumn Lange, Makayla Learned, Carla Bastida, Savannah Mattingly, Brianna Phebus (and Zack), Hunter Lange, and Mikayla Williams; front row: Alexia Ham, Laura Duncan, Raven Morrison, Tamara Jimson, Jalon Glover, Danielle Shuey, and Jenesis Maynard. The All-Star Jaguars help with recruiting their peers and appear in a wide variety of marketing materials.

The video-production team of Director of Creative Services Keith Miller, Senior Director of Community Engagement brought home a Gold award for a Covid info video, while two students (Keegan Nickoson and Kia Burke) earned a Silver for DACCST, a student-produced series of podcasts. The DACC team received their awards in Grand Rapids, Michigan, at the regional convention of the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations—an organization that involves the nation’s 1,200 community colleges.





More than 60 local children of all shapes and sizes enjoyed the summer "College for Kids" basketball camp, hosted by DACC coaches and players from the men's and women's basketball teams.



Tamara Jimson is a Jaguar All-Star and TRIO student. She and her two daughters were named a "Family of Distinction" by East Central Illinois Community Action. Joining her for Sunday's award banquet are Business Associate Professor Ashley Hargrove and TRIO adviser Rose Butler.



During the first evening of Discover DACC Days on Feb. 8, nearly 30 prospective students and 40 parents attended the event in the Bremer Center and welcomed the information they received about DACC's marquee academic programs, dual-credit classes, College Express, and scholarships. The next night, the College's first ever DDD went to the Hoopston Learning Center and attracted a similar crowd to the community room.

The Auschwitz Experience in the Art of Prisoners Exhibition from the Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum in Poland went on display in the DACC Library from Apr. 4 through Apr. 8. Kudos to Art Professor Ronnie Johnson and Library Assistant Kathy Hantz for managing the installation. Shown here addressing visitors is Holocaust Education Center co-director Brian Kahn. The exhibit attracted an average of 300 visitors each day throughout the week.



Creative Director Keith Miller (left) is assisted by Emily Jordan (right) in leading the "YouTube Star" College for Kids program in the Clock Tower broadcast studio. Kids are shooting, editing, and posting their cool videos on social media sites, including YouTube.

# Chapter Six: Danville Campus



## DANVILLE CAMPUS BUILDINGS

### **Bremer Conference & Workforce Development Center**

- Conference Rooms
- Corporate & Community Education
- Culinary Arts
- Theater

### **Cannon Hall**

- Testing & Academic Services Center
- Developmental Education
- Student Success Center
- Institutional Effectiveness

### **Clock Tower Center**

- Art/Ceramics/Painting
- Audio-Visual
- Distance Learning
- Instructional Media Center
- Liberal Arts Division
- Library
- Vermilion Room
- Writing Center

### **Hegeler Hall (under renovation)**

- Classrooms
- Golf Simulation Center
- Storage Garage

### **Jacobs Hall**

- Classrooms
- Art Gallery
- Performance Center

### **Lincoln Hall**

- Bookstore
- Business Division
- Career & Veteran Services
- College Express
- Copper Penny Room
- Counseling/Advisement
- Food Service
- Laura Lee Room
- Recruitment & Retention
- Security
- Shipping & Receiving
- Subway Restaurant
- Student Union

### **Mary Miller Complex**

- Agriculture
- Athletics
- Engineering
- Fitness Center
- Gymnasium
- Health Careers
- Math and Science Solutions (MASS) Tutoring
- Mathematics
- Nursing
- Sciences

### **Ornamental Horticulture**

- Julius W. Hegeler II Greenhouse

### **Prairie Hall**

- Adult & Basic Education
- Certified Nurse Assistant
- High-School Equivalency Test Prep Services
- Literacy
- Middle College
- Online Services

### **Technology Center**

- Automotive
- Business & Technology Tutoring
- Drafting/CAD
- Electronics
- Industrial Training Center
- Information Systems
- Manufacturing
- Online Learning Lab
- Tractor Trailer Driving
- Welding
- Wind Technology

### **Vermilion Hall**

- Administrative Offices
- Admissions & Records
- Business Office & Cashier
- Financial Aid
- Foundation Office
- Human Resources
- College Relations



In February 2022, the Danville Symphony Orchestra held its fundraising gala in the spectacular Jacobs Hall. The DSO was founded 55 years ago by DACC President Mary Miller and music teachers Harry and Gail Adams.



Julius W. Hegeler II Greenhouse has a fresh new look, thanks to Agriculture Associate Professor Brandy Marron (left), who is up to her neck in tomatoes in the aquaponics lab. The other bed has produced a banner crop of lettuce. Professor Marron received the Doug and Vickie Miller endowed-chair award to enhance teaching in aquaponics and precision ag.

# Chapter Seven: Hoopeston Learning Center



**HOOPESTON LEARNING CENTER**  
847 E. ORANGE STREET  
HOOPESTON, IL



The Hoopeston Learning Center has been under the direction of Karla Coon (left) since 2013. Her assistant, Anna Silver, was hired in 2021 after having served as a student worker at DACC.

## HOW THE HOOPESTON LEARNING CENTER CAME TO BE

The idea for the Hoopeston Learning Center surfaced in 2008 when DACC President Alice Marie Jacobs met with Hoopeston leaders who told her they were interested in a satellite DACC location. By 2009, DACC's Board of Trustees' pledged their support. The Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center donated the 4,900-square-foot building to the College. From 2012-13, the College renovated in the facility. Work included the construction of five classrooms and a student commons.

Funding the new Center came from a variety of sources, including \$206,000 from the Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation and \$30,000 from the Hoopeston City Council.

Classes began in September 2013 at the renovated facility, which is located at 847 E. Orange St.

Bill Nicholls, a community leader in Hoopeston and a member of the DACC Foundation Board, broached the idea of the portrait this past spring. "Dr. Jacobs has done so much good for Hoopeston with the development of the center. Having her picture displayed inside is a fitting way to pay tribute to her contributions."

# Chapter Eight: The DACC Foundation



To commemorate the College's 75th anniversary, on Fri., Oct. 22, the DACC Foundation unveiled the "Wall of Distinction" in the lobby of the Bremer Center. The display recognizes donors whose gifts range from \$1,000 to more than a million dollars. The wall also honors people who have named DACC in their wills via the "Mary Miller Society."

In recognition of their endowed scholarship, Patricia and Bruce Rape are shown here in a "Big Check" ceremony. Flanking them are President Nacco and Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill. Behind this happy group is the rose-bud tree that the College planted four years ago to honor retired dean Bruce Rape for his 40 years of DACC service.



On Sept. 17, 2021, the DACC Foundation held its annual Honors Program before an audience of hundreds of scholarship donors, students, and families in the Mary Miller Gym. Mikayla Williams is telling her heart-warming story of how the scholarship support she received from the Foundation helped turn around her life.

## 2022 SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

<b>Number of Scholarships Awarded</b>	<b>658</b>
<b>Dollar Amount of Total Scholarships:</b>	<b>\$945,450</b>
<b>Largest Scholarship Disbursements:</b>	
Presidential Scholars (two-year paid tuition)	38
Crawford Scholars (three-year paid tuition, fees, books)	11
Auter Scholars (one-year paid tuition, books, fees)	20
Switzer Scholars (\$5,000 each)	14

## THE MAGIC NUMBER

# 100%

Percentage of DACC students who applied for a DACC scholarship in 2021 and received at least a partial DACC Foundation scholarship.



Retired Executive Vice President and Foundation Board Member Dave Kietzmann (2nd from left) and his wife Glenda donated \$12,000 to the Kietzmann Family Scholarship Fund to match donations raised during Dave's July 2020 retirement dinner. Dave devoted more than 50 years of service to DACC. Flanking the Kietzmans are President Nacco and Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill.



Chuck Stetler (center), president of the I & I Antique Tractor & Gas Engine Club of Penfield, an endowed scholarship fund in June 2022. The \$10,000 contribution will generate annual scholarships to support students in agriculture programs at DACC. Flanking Mr. Stetler for the "Big Check" ceremony are DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill and DACC President Stephen Nacco.



One of the projects that the DACC Foundation's Endowed Chair program supports is Dr. Jonathon Wade's Summer Mental Health Series. On July 18, Dr. Wade hosted the second of three scheduled outreach events held in the Bremer Center. Shown here is the opening segment for coffee, snacks, and networking. Following this is a presentation in the theater with questions and answers. The subject was "work, life & mental health" and more than 100 students, employees, and community members attended. Shown here from left are Dr. Wade on his coffee machine, while staffing the dessert table are Alexis Simmons, Dawn Nasser, and Suzanna Aguirre.



## DACC FOUNDATION LEADERSHIP

### Foundation Board Officers

Lesley Shore, President

Ryan O'Shaughnessy, Vice President

Cory Acton, Treasurer

Theta Lee, Secretary

### Staff

Tonya Hill, Executive Director

Sandy Dreher, Controller/Office Manager

Gina Davis, Scholarship Coordinator

### Board of Directors

Cory Acton

Jim Anderson

Richard Cheney

Nancy Dalenberg

Diane Hampel

Jacob Jackson

Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs

Larry Jahn

Dave Kietzmann

Chris Kittell

Ed Layden Jr.

Theta Lee

Sybil Mervis

Vickie Miller

Dr. Jaya Nelson-Ellington

Ryan O'Shaughnessy

Gardner Peck

Maruti Seth

Lesley Shore

Jane Towne

Marilyn Tucker

Jaclyn Vinson

Lois Wise

DeMarko Wright

Nancy Bates, Director Emeritus

Julius W. Hegeler II, Director Emeritus

Dr. John C. Mason Jr., Director Emeritus

Tuck Meyer, Director Emeritus

Judd Peck, Director Emeritus

Dr. George Richards, Director Emeritus

W. John Shane, Director Emeritus

### Ex-officio Members

Dr. Stephen Nacco - President, DACC

David Harby - Chairperson, DACC Board of Trustees



The DACC Foundation Board Members: (seated, from left) Vickie Miller, Lois Wise, Ed Layden Jr., and Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs; (standing, from left): Dave Harby, Chris Kittell, Jim Anderson, Tuck Meyer, Sandy Dreher, Dave Kietzmann, Ryan O'Shaughnessy, Tonya Hill, Lesley Shore, Gardner Peck, Maruti Seth, Nancy Dalenberg, Diane Hampel, Larry Jahn, Jane Towne, Marilyn Tucker, and Gina Davis.



The DACC Foundation hosted the grand opening of Jacobs Hall in conjunction with the Donor Wall unveiling and College's 75th Anniversary.



Music for the Jacobs Hall grand opening was provided by Dr. Eric Simonson and Kelly Holden

# Chapter Nine: Financials



Cross-training has helped galvanize the team in the Finance Division. Shown here are Assistant Vice President Carl Lewis, Linda Shreeves, Carol Neff, Johna Bolton, Sherri Grubbs, Julie McClintock, Debbie Knight, Kelley Beckett, and Vice President Tammy Betancourt.

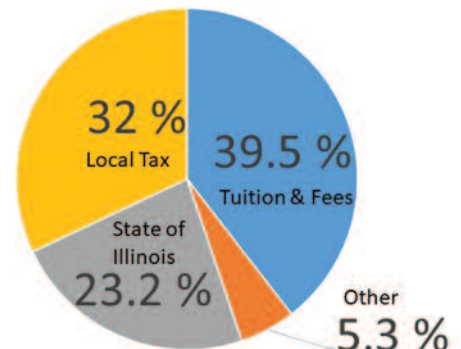
## Danville Area Community College Financial Statement of Revenue and Expenses For the Operating Funds FY 2021-22

REVENUES	FY 2022
Property Tax Revenue	5,227,000
Personal Property Replacement Tax	1,859,438
ICCB Base Operating Grants	1,635,537
ICCB Equalization Grant	2,618,580
Career-Tech Vocational Credit-Hour Reimburse	189,731
Tuition	5,631,91
Fees	1,417,848
Institutional Waivers (Less)	(2,644,139)
Transfers	1,514,439
Facility Rent Revenue/Interest/Other	134,858
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>17,585,210</b>

### EXPENDITURES BY OBJECT

Salaries	11,307,425
Employee Benefits	2,062,249
Contractual Services	830,063
Materials & Supplies	1,530,410
Meetings, Travel, Conferences	167,737
Fixed Charges	248,039
Utilities	813,442
Capital Outlay/Transfers/Other	582,376
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>17,541,741</b>

## Source of DACC's Operating Budget



# Chapter Ten: DACC History



On July 10, 1965, President Mary Miller and the faculty and staff of what was then Danville Junior College began moving out of Danville High and onto the College's 2000 East Main Street campus.

**May 13, 1946:** Mary Miller founds DACC as an extension center of the University of Illinois in 1946.

**August 22, 1949:** DACC becomes a public junior college under Danville Public Schools.

**September 30, 1951:** The College receives the name Danville Junior College.

**Jan. 11, 1964:** The Danville Area Community College Foundation is formed as a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 to support student scholarships.

**August 1, 1965:** The College acquires seven historic buildings from the Veterans Administration on East Main Street, moving to its current 75-acre campus.

**September 12, 1965:** The Danville Junior College Foundation launches a fundraising drive to support the move to the new campus.

**April 11, 1966:** DACC becomes an independent two-year area college with the election of its first Board of Trustees and the establishment of District 507.

**May 17, 1969:** Dedication of the Ornamental Horticulture Center.

**April 30, 1970:** Opening of the Mary Miller Center and Gymnasium.

**July 1, 1972:** Dr. William Langas becomes DACC's second president, replacing founding President Mary Miller after her 26-year tenure.

**July 9, 1972:** Completion of the Technology Center, which includes the South Bay, Weld Shop, Machine Shop, and offices.

**June 15, 1979:** Dr. Joseph Borgen becomes DACC's third president.

**Sept. 1, 1979:** The name Danville Junior College is changed to Danville Area Community College to be more reflective of the services rendered as a comprehensive community college.

**Sept. 3, 1981:** Dr. Ronald Lingle is announced as DACC's fourth president.

**June 1, 1982:** Renovation of the Bremer Theater and construction of conference rooms.

**Sept. 10, 1982:** Renovation of the Clock Tower building.

**Feb. 14, 1987:** Completion of the expansion of the Mary Miller Center's first and second floor for Math and Science education.

**July 1, 1989:** Dr. Harry Braun is named DACC's fifth president.

**Sept. 3, 1992:** Expansion of the Technology Center and dedication in the name of former DACC President Harry

Braun to open classrooms and offices on the north and west wings.

**Mar. 16, 1994:** DACC hosts the first of what will be 24 consecutive years (including this year) as host of the NJCAA Division II national men's basketball tournament.

**Aug. 18, 1997:** Dedication of the Child Development Center.

**July 1, 1998:** Remodeling of the Bremer Theater is completed.

**Dec. 15, 1998:** Job Training Partnership/Vermilion County Works moves to new location at 407 N. Franklin Street.

**Sept. 1, 1999:** Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs becomes DACC's sixth president.

**Nov. 1, 1999:** Opening of Lincoln Hall.

**May 17, 2000:** Remodeling completed for the first floor and basement of the Clock Tower Library.

**Apr. 1, 2001:** Remodeling of the art and painting rooms in the Clock Tower building.

**Oct. 24, 2002:** Completion of \$30 million in renovations to Cannon, Prairie, and Vermilion halls.

**Sept. 30, 2004:** Dedication of the First National Bank Collection of Public Art in the Clock Tower Center.

**Sept. 10, 2005:** Community Education begins holding classes in a store at the Village Mall.

**Nov. 7, 2007:** Dedication of the Bremer

Conference and Workforce Development Center.

**July 31, 2009:** Demolition work completion on buildings 5, 9 and 10 as well as underground tunnels.

**Oct. 10, 2009:** Julius W. Hegeler Garden Gateway is dedicated.

**Mar. 29, 2011:** Opening of the Julius W. Hegeler II Greenhouse.

**July 11, 2011:** Construction of the Wind Turbine Training Tower, which is located on farm ground.

**Oct. 24, 2012:** Completion of Mary Miller Complex expansion and renovation and the naming of the William B. Black Health professions Center.

**July 15, 2013:** DACC is named an Achieving the Dream Leader College.

**Sept. 16, 2013:** Opening of the Hoopston Higher Learning Center: first day of classes.

**Dec. 10, 2014:** Dedication ceremony to open the Julius W. Hegeler II Advanced Technology Center.

**Aug. 15, 2016:** Dr. Stephen Nacco becomes DACC's seventh president, replacing Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs, who retires on Aug. 30 after 17 years as DACC's president.

**Nov. 1, 2016:** DACC dedicates the Bobette Steely Hegeler Memorial Bench in front of the Clock Tower.

**Feb. 15, 2017:** DACC opens a classroom in the center of Fair Oaks, a series of projects that the Housing

Authority manages. The classroom has been outfitted with technology sufficient to accommodate up to 15 students.

**July 1, 2017:** DACC becomes one of the nation's few community colleges to become a regional one-stop operator for a federally mandated American Job Center.

**Aug. 31, 2017:** After receiving an official notice of transferring the former Carnegie Library from the Veterans Administration to DACC, the Board of Trustees holds a ceremony to dedicate the building in the name of Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs. A \$2 million bequest from philanthropist Julius W. Hegeler II will fund the renovation of Jacobs Hall.

**Aug. 25, 2018:** The College hosts its first annual "Farm to Fork" dinner to raise money to support the Sustainability Far, a hands-on agricultural learning lab for students that the Foundation's Kristy Herr and her husband Jerry Bartos have provided for College use.

**Oct. 25, 2018:** The DACC Board approves the creation of the College's first-ever women's golf team and restores men's golf, which had been discontinued since 2013.

**May 5, 2019:** The installation of HVAC units on the roof of the Mary Miller Gym completes a \$600,000 capital project that results in bringing air conditioning to the Gym.

**Aug. 19, 2019:** DACC begins offering night classes in English, math, sociology, and high-school preparation at Georgetown-Ridge Farm High School.

**Nov. 7, 2019:** The Board of the Higher Learning Commission reaffirms the reaccreditation of DACC through 2029. The Standard Pathways will require a comprehensive visit on the fourth year, 2023.

**March 30, 2020:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the College ends all classroom instruction and delivers all courses exclusively online for the remainder of the spring semester.

**June 30, 2020:** The College receives the deed to the U.S. Army Reserve upon completing a \$150,000 purchase of the two building, 3.5-acre property located on the northeast corner of the Danville II Campus.

**May 15, 2021:** Under the direction of Facilities Executive Director Doug Adams, DACC completed the \$2 million renovation of Jacobs Hall—on time and within budget.

**June 25, 2021:** Dedication of Hegeler Hall in honor of Julius W. Hegeler II, whose Foundation pledged \$3 million over three years to fund the renovation of the former U.S. Army Reserve to become DACC's new home for healthcare education.

**Feb. 12, 2022:** DACC paid tribute to the College's first two African-American athletes during a special presentation at the Mary Miller Gym: Robert Williams and Clifford Dupree.



DACC Culinary Instructor Dana Wheeler teamed up with some of DACC's top students to celebrate Black History Month in the sweetest way possible—as a celebration of the desserts that African-Americans invented. Students researched the dessert histories and then prepared the tasty treats for their fellow students and DACC employees in a dessert party held on Feb. 22 in the Student Union. Kudos to desserts by Alana Ray Colunga (Pound Cake or 7-Up Cake), Terry Duckworth (Banana Pudding), Kearby Robinson (Bread Pudding), Tongalene Miller (Caramel Cake), Kalia Mason (Peach Cobbler), McKenzie Montgerard (Red Velvet Cake), and Blessing Lipscomb and Robin Farr (Sweet Potato Pie).



On Aug. 9, 2022, rock band 90's Daughter recorded Danville Community College's new jingle, "Write your Story at DACC." Written and produced by DACC's Guido Esteves and recorded by the band at High Cross Sound Studio, the DACC song is the first for the College in more than 20 years. Shown here recording the vocals for the song is the band's lead singer Amy Mitchell.



DACC Hall of Fame inductee Buzz Cassady regaling the crowd during the July 9, 2022, luncheon in the Mary Miller gym. Joining him on the dais (from left) are fellow inductees David Harrell and Corey Fox, the event's master-of-ceremonies and DACC Hall-of-Famer Scott Eisenhauer, and inductee Jeana Alexander.



Retired owner of a car service, Clifford Dupree (right) would receive an honorary degree from DACC along with long-time DACC Foundation mainstay W. John Shane. Mr. Dupree is showing off his letter from Danville High, as he went on to become one of the first African-American athletes in DACC history (along with Robert Williams). He's shown here with DACC Athletic Director Tim Bunton.

## HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS AT DACC

Dale Foster – 1966  
Annabelle Neel – 1966  
Vivian Schultz – 1972  
Mertin Hoskins – 1975  
Vickie Miller – 2017  
Louis Mervis – 2017  
Julius W. Hegeler II – 2018

Dr. George Richards – 2019  
Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs – 2019  
Dick Cheney – 2020  
Phyllis Rogers – 2021  
Clifford Dupree – 2022  
W. John Shane – 2022



## DACC “BY THE NUMBERS”

21,171,089	Total value, in dollars, of the DACC Foundation Endowment
18,377,858	DACC Operating Budget for FY 2023
7,049,766	Tuition and Fees Received, in Dollars
5,227,000	Local Tax Revenue Received, in Dollars
4,443,848	State Revenue—Credit Hours, Equalization, CTE Formula
2,275,127	Federal Pell grant dollars awarded to DACC students
1,739,126	Total dollars Donors gave to the DACC Foundation in 2021-22
604,637	Scholarship Dollars Awarded in FY 2022 by the DACC Foundation
111,082	Net Revenue in Dollars from Corporate Training (FY 2022)
37,011	Total student credit hours
34,300	Number of local residents annually receiving DACC services
5,184	Credit Enrollment – Headcount
1,988	Non-Credit Enrollment – Headcount
560	Number of Students Receiving DACC Foundation Scholarships
545	Number of Graduates with associate degrees or certificates
192	Full-time Employees
71	Administrator/Professional Employees
62	Full-time Faculty
59	Support Staff Employees
57	Fall-to-Fall Retention Rate for full-time students
43	Percent Graduating on-time: First-time, Full-time Fall Cohort
37	Percentage of Vermilion County High School Grads who choose DACC
26	Tutors and Coaches
26	Average Age of DACC Credit Students
1	DACC Students are Number One!

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