



KCKCC Named 2019 Military Friendly School



VIQTORY has released its 2019 Military Friendly® Schools List and Kansas City Kansas Community College has once again been recognized for its continued focus on veterans.

Awarded to the top colleges, universities and trade schools in the country, the Military Friendly® Schools designation is used to show which educational institutions are doing the most to embrace military students and to dedicate resources to ensure their success in the classroom and after graduation.

The Military Friendly® designation provides service members transparent, data-driven ratings about post-military education and career opportunities. KCKCC is one of 13 schools in Kansas to receive the designation. Others include Butler Community College, Benedictine College, Cowley College, Friends University, Newman University, Salina Area Technical College, Coffeyville Community College, Washburn University, Labette Community College, Baker University, Kansas State University and the University of Kansas. The University of Missouri and Park University, both in Missouri, were also included on the 2019 list.

KCKCC opened its new Veterans Center in September 2018 as a way to better serve the nearly 20,000 veterans in Wyandotte and Leavenworth counties. The center provides active duty military, veterans and military dependents with the resources, tools and services needed to help them achieve educational success. Since opening, the Veterans Center has served more than 600 military and veteran students.

The methodology used for making the Military Friendly® Schools list has changed the student veteran landscape to one much more transparent and has played a significant role in capturing and advancing best practices to support military students across the country. The school survey, methodology, criteria and weightings are developed by Viqtory with the input from the Military Friendly® Advisory Council comprised of independent leaders in the higher education and military recruitment community. The survey is administered for free and is open to all post-secondary schools who wish to participate. Criteria for consideration can be found on the Military Friendly® Schools website www.militaryfriendly.com.

A whole lot of good things happened to KCKCC's nationally ranked women's basketball team Wednesday night, not the least of which was an 82-41 win over Fort Scott.

Caroline Hoppock re-wrote the KCKCC 3-point record mark; the No. 9 ranked Lady Blue Devils (20-3) had their best defensive effort of the season and they vaulted into a four-way tie for the Jayhawk Conference lead thanks to Labette's 72-54 thrashing of No. 1 ranked and previously unbeaten Johnson County.

The win sets up a huge home court showdown at 2 p.m. Saturday against No. 3 ranked Highland (18-2). Like KCKCC, Labette and JCCC, Highland is 2-1 in conference play.



Hoppock tied the KCKCC record with eight 3-point field goals and established a new record for accuracy, knocking down 8-of-11 treys for 72.7 percent. A 5-10 freshman from Olathe East, Hoppock's eight treys tied the Blue Devil record set by Rashaun Casey in 2013-14.

Lillie Moore chipped in with a double-double with 16 points and 11 rebounds; Nija Collier had 19 points and seven rebounds and Lenaejha Evans eight rebounds and six points.

Defensively, the Blue Devils forced 20 Fort Scott turnovers and limited the Greyhounds to 16-of-63 shots for 25.4 percent, a remarkable performance considering Fort Scott (15-4) was averaging 76 points a game and had played No. 1 JCCC to a 65-57 decision on Saturday.

KCKCC Program Spotlight



KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier takes a moment to visit with students and snap a photo for the KCKCC Scavenger Hunt during the first week of classes.



Big thank you to everyone who donated blood during the Pioneer Career Center's Blood Drive Jan. 30. PCC collected 11 pints from 17 registrants. Great job!

Blue Devils Tie for 2nd in Conference with Fifth Win

KCKCC continued its late season Wednesday, knocking off Fort Scott 65-58 for the Blue Devils' fifth win in their last six starts.



The win elevated the Blue Devils (10-13) in to a tie for second place in the Jayhawk Conference heading into a big home court collision with No. 3 ranked Highland (18-2) Saturday at 4 p.m. Both the Scotties and Blue Devils are 2-1 behind Johnson County (3-0).

The Blue Devils led almost wire-to-wire against Fort Scott, building leads of 14 and 15 points and then turning back every challenge by the Greyhounds, who fell to 13-10 overall and 1-2 in the league.

Calvin Slaughter, a 6-2 freshman guard from Macon, Ga., led the Blue Devils with a game high 18 points including 11 in the opening half. Kelyn Bolton added eight points; Daiyon Taylor, Jalen Davis and Malcolm Tate seven points each; Cody Dortch six and Arother Ratliff and Taylor Turner five apiece in the well-balanced KCKCC attack.

The Blue Devils opened a 43-28 lead with 15 minutes left in the game only to have Fort Scott cut the deficit to 47-44 midway through the second half and the KCKCC lead was just 51-46 when Tate scored on an acrobatic layup and Dortch drained a 3-pointer to open a game-clinching 10-point lead.

KCKCC to Host Strategic Plan Community Forums



Kansas City Kansas Community College is hosting a series of public forums this month as the college continues its Strategic Plan development process.

Strategic planning is a process higher education institutions and other businesses use to set long term goals and priorities.

It is a way to focus on where resources and funding should be used to ensure long term success for the college. Many times, the mission and vision statements are also included in this process so that they align with the strategic plan as well. Strategic plans are revisited every few years to ensure goals and objectives are current.

Community forums will be held on Feb. 7 in Room 2705 on the KCKCC Main Campus, 7250 State Ave. These will be at 7:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Additional sessions will be held Feb. 14 at the Dr. Thomas R. Burke Technical Education Center, 6565 State Ave. and in the commons area of the Pioneer Career Center, 1901 Spruce St. in Leavenworth. These sessions are at 7:30 a.m., Noon and 6 p.m. Each of these sessions are open to everyone in the campus community as well as in Wyandotte and Leavenworth counties. The purpose of these forums is to get input on the college's goals and future initiatives.

Throughout the 2018-19 academic year, there will be additional forums as KCKCC continues through with the Strategic Development Plan process. For more information, contact Michael Beach, KCKCC's Chief Financial Officer at 913-288-7645 or by email at mbeach@kckcc.edu.

Human Resources Update

Explore Career Openings

Find your place at Kansas City Kansas Community College. We are not just a great place to get an education. It is also a great place to work. KCKCC was voted the 2018 best places to work in Kansas City, Kan. by Zippia.

To view a list of current external and internal opened positions at KCKCC use the following links below:

External postings:

Internal postings:

<http://kckcc.applicantstack.com/x/openings-internal>



**WANT TO IMPROVE
YOUR EDUCATION?**



**LOOKING FOR SKILLED &
WELL-TRAINED EMPLOYEES?**

KCKCC will offer classes at Wyandotte High School beginning Fall 2019!

Come and share your educational and business needs with us!

General Sessions

Thursday, February 21st
6:00 – 7:00pm

at El Centro
50 Minnesota Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66101

and

Wednesday, February 27th
6:00 – 7:00pm

at El Centro
50 Minnesota Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66101

Business Sessions

Tuesday, February 26th
7:30 – 8:30am

at El Centro
50 Minnesota Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66101

and

Tuesday, February 26th
5:30 – 6:30pm

at KCK Library,
2nd Floor Auditorium
625 Minnesota Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66101



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