

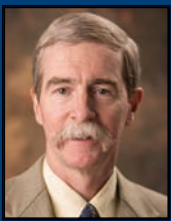
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ANNUAL REPORT 2014

A REPORT TO THE PUBLIC FROM GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE



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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

GCCC is governed by an elected board of six Finney County citizens, with board members serving as representatives of the Finney County taxpayers. The board uses a system of policy-based governance and delegates administrative leadership to the president, Dr. Herbert J. Swender.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thank you for taking the time to peruse GCCC's annual report for 2014. As I look back on 2014, there are many highlights and successes for Garden City Community College. The Rural Community College Alliance (RCCA) honored Garden City Community College as College of the Year for 2014. Garden City Community College was selected for the RCCA award based on several factors; excellence in economic and workforce development, student achievement, financial management, entrepreneurship, student services and impact on the community. Additionally, this award honored the contributions of GCCC for its research on Pell Grant studies for Kansas and rural America. This award underpins GCCC's commitment to our mission-- to produce positive contributors to the economic and social well-being of society.

This year was also highlighted by the opening of the new multi-sports complex. The inaugural football game was played August 30, 2014 against Highland Community College. The Busters won the game 29-26. The Broncbuster multi-sport complex is complete with stadium style seats, a state-of-the art track, as well as box seating. The new complex is an asset used by athletes from GCCC as well as area and regional teams.

In August, construction began on much needed student housing. With residence halls filled to capacity and many students on a waiting list, the GCCC board and administration moved forward with design and funding for nine modular student housing units that would house an additional sixty-four students.

GCCC is quickly adapting to face future challenges and working to achieve the vision of being a model for a highly efficient, self-sustaining community college. We are continually dedicating ourselves to produce education and facilities that will springboard students to future success.



Dr. Herbert J. Swender
GCCC President

PRESIDENT'S CABINET



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2014 HIGHLIGHTS

Accolades

*RCCA College of the Year 2014 – The Rural Community College Alliance (RCCA) honored Garden City Community College as the College of the Year for 2014. Dr. Herbert Swender, president of Garden City Community College, will travel to Washington D.C. in February to receive this award in the rotunda of the United States Agricultural Department building and will also have another recognition ceremony in March, 2015, at the Kansas Statehouse. GCCC was selected for the RCCA award based on several factors; excellence in economic and workforce development, student achievement, financial management, entrepreneurship, student services, and impact on the community. Additionally, this award honored the contributions of GCCC for its research on Pell Grant studies for Kansas and rural America.

Military Advanced Education awarded GCCC the designation of “Top Military-Friendly College in 2014, and G.I. jobs magazine included GCCC on their list of “Military Friendly” schools for a second consecutive year.

Garden City Community College was named to Aspen Institute’s top 150 community colleges in the nation. The designation opens the door for GCCC to compete for the 2014 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence and the one million dollar prize that comes with it. The Aspen Institute collects data on factors such as student retention, graduation rates and the number of low-income and minority students served in more than 1,000 technical and community colleges every two years. This marks the third consecutive time GCCC has received the honor of making the list.

Additionally, the leading online Cable News Network publication, CNN Money, recently issued a ranking of U.S. community colleges, placing Garden City Community College among the top three in Kansas and the top 24 in the nation in terms of student success.

Four-Year College Articulation Agreements Added in 2014

GCCC and Kansas Wesleyan signed a new articulation agreement for Fire Science.



Dr. Herbert J. Swender and Dr. Frank Mensel

Enrollment

Garden City Community College opened its fall 2014 semester with more than 2,000 students filling chairs, hallways, classrooms and sidewalks across campus. Of those students, 1,724 were Kansas students. A total of 2,164 students were enrolled in 23,064 credit hours, according to a report issued by Registrar Nancy Unruh in the fall 2014. The report showed the full-time equivalency count for fall was 1,537.



Campus Police Chief, Rodney Dozier



GCCC Board of Trustees and Dr. Herbert J. Swender

HIGHLIGHTS



Broncbuster Multi-Sports Complex

The first coin toss was thrown at the new multi-sports complex when the Buster soccer team was honored to play in the inaugural game. In addition to all women's home soccer games, the 1st Annual Broncbuster 5K Run and 1 Mile Walk/Kids Fun Run, GCCC has hosted several community events at the facility including catholic schools and home school track meets as well as summer youth sports camps.

The first home football game of the fall 2014 saw the Broncbuster football team line up and burst onto the field in a beautiful new facility. The inaugural game was played against Highland Community College on August 30th, 2014. The Busters won the game 29-26. Broncbuster stadium, complete with box seats and a state-of-the art track, has been a great addition and recruitment tool for Broncbuster athletics. The close proximity to campus makes everything more accessible for student athletes. Student athletes no longer have to drive across town to use facilities that were already heavily utilized. The new stadium is a beautiful asset used by athletes from GCCC, high school teams and other teams throughout the region. GCCC hosted the Class 1A regional track meet this May and high school teams from around the region participated in football camps this summer.

New Broncbuster Housing Under Construction and Campus Remodeling Projects

In September of 2013, it was apparent that there was not enough room for students to be housed on campus. The residence halls were filled to capacity with students on a waiting list. In 2014, construction began on new student housing. When completed, the units will have four bedrooms, two bathrooms, and feature wireless internet, cable, locked storage facilities, kitchenettes and a laundry room that has dual purpose as a storm shelter for all residents.

Remodels throughout campus were started in June 2014. The old Finnup Lab and the animal science classroom in the John Collins Vocational Technical Building, baseball offices, locker rooms and showers were refreshed and storage was added in the basketball locker room.

GCCC & National American University to Launch On-Campus Baccalaureate Program

In a bold and innovative move for education in Western Kansas, Dr. Herbert Swender, announced plans to offer on-campus baccalaureate programs beginning in the fall of 2014. Steps to launch the program have already begun with agreements to align business administration and criminal justice curriculums. The two programs will serve as the inaugural 2+2 degrees offered at the college.

Currently, NAU is located on 37 campuses in 11 states, with one program in Overland Park, two in Wichita and two in Colorado Springs. This will be the first community college in the state to house an on-site baccalaureate program with its own set of instructors, staff and classes. Plans are to offer online, blended or hybrid and on-site courses.



Broncbuster Housing



GCCC Meat Judging World Contest participants

HIGHLIGHTS

GCCC Transitions to a Certified Police Department

During the month of June, the Garden City Community College Board of Trustees unanimously voted to transition the existing Department of Campus Safety to a professional law enforcement agency. The licensed police department proposal, recommended by Dr. Swender, includes the initial addition of approximately four part-time commissioned police officers, along with the current full-time position held by Rodney Dozier, GCCC Campus Police Chief. After receiving state approval of all required documentation, the GCCC Police Department's first official day was July 1, 2014.

TWO GCCC Students Selected to represent U.S in Australian Meats Judging Contest in July

Two students, along with their coach Dr. Clint Alexander, were selected to represent the United States in the Australian International Meat Conference and Contest this July in Wagga Wagga, Australia. Skyler Glenn, Holcomb, and Alan Caro, Satanta, were tapped for this honor as they both earned First Team All-American status during the 2013 meat judging year. All-Americans are selected by the American Meat Science Association at the end of a judging year.

Institutional Research & Grants

Title V: Developing Hispanic Serving Institutions

On May 8th, GCCC submitted a grant application for a new Title V Grant. The proposed project is designed to significantly develop GCCC's capacity to retain and graduate Hispanic students by redesigning the developmental education pathway, analyzing and improving developmental-to-Gateway course sequencing and expanding the ability to track and evaluate student data creating a Student Success Center (SSC) in the library.

On June 30th, GCCC submitted a grant application for the inaugural First in the Worlds (FITW) Grant competition. The FITW grants are designed to fund the development and testing of innovative approaches and strategies at colleges and universities that improve college attainment and make higher education more affordable for students and families, thus increasing postsecondary access, affordability and completion for underrepresented, underprepared, or low-income students at institutions across the country.

The Garden City First! Project Grant

This grant program is designed to implement system-wide reforms and strategies that demonstrate measureable impact upon post-secondary access, persistence and completion of post-secondary programs of study (degree, credential or certificate) on all students, particularly underrepresented, underprepared or low income students. Additionally, high school students will be able to obtain credit hour courses and industry-recognized credentials while still in high school at reduced costs in multiple learning environments from traditional class-room, to mobile classrooms and labs, to online learning including a unique 3+1 program from the associate degree to baccalaureate degree.

Financial Aid Tops \$3 million for GCCC Students

Between February 21 and March 18, 2014, GCCC students received over \$3 million in federal grants, state aid, GCCC Endowment scholarships, outside scholarships and student loans to pay for their education for the Spring 2014 semester. GCCC bucked the national trend in 2014 by lowering student loan default rate.



GCCC Ceramics



GCCC Drama Students perform in "Lend me a Tenor"

HIGHLIGHTS

Good News from the Art Department

The Art Department worked on efforts for the 46th Annual Region V Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival which was held in Lincoln, NE, January 19-25th. Krisha Baker, Tori Fairbank, Justin Godwin and Noah McCallum, were named Irene Ryan Candidates for their roles in Twelfth Night and Les Miserables. These students were partnered with Gage Stielau, Jordan George, Linzie Schneider and Rober Reuther as they developed original, classical and musical work for the festival. Linzie Schneider and Justin Godwin were invited to display their costume designs at the region's design expo. Noah McCallum and Alexander Wilkin were chosen to display set designs at the same event.

The GCCC Drama Department Presented a Successful Presentation of "Oceans Sunrise"

In September of 2014, GCCC had a High Plains Juried Art Exhibition in Colby, KS and earned eight awards in six different categories. Participating Artists: Hannah Lindo, Tristan Lindo, Krista Smith, Harley Torres, Andres DeLeon, Amanda Rivera, Yanet Cruz and Frankie Burns, Jr.

GCCC attended the Mastery of Materials Exhibition at Kansas Artist Craftsman Conference, Fort Hays State University in Hays, KS, November, 2014. Participating Artists: Hannah Lindo and Tristan Lindo

GCCC had a Home Traveling Exhibition Showcasing GCCC Faculty & Students at Inter Urban Art House, Overland Park, KS (Aug-Dec 2014), and Blue Valley Public Library, Johnson County, KS (Dec-Feb 2014-15). Participating Artists: Hannah Lindo, Tristan Lindo, Krista Smith, Harley Torres, Amanda Rivera, Frankie Burns, Kyle Chaput and Brian McCallum.

The GCCC drama department performed "Lend Me a Tenor" April 25 – April 27th.



GCCC Art Dept.



GCCC Drama



Academic Challenge Team



GCCC Bust out Hunger Awareness

HIGHLIGHTS

Student Activities

The GCCC Academic Challenge teams took first and second place in the Western Regional Academic Excellence Challenge Tournament.

GCCC had a successful competition during a National American Criminal Justice Association Lambda Alpha Epsilon Competition and Conference held March 9-14 in Overland Park. The students were accompanied by Criminal Justice faculty, Linda Morgan and David Rupp.

The GCCC Student Government Association hosted Hunger Awareness Banquet in April, 2014. The banquet created a role-playing atmosphere as participants engaged in dinners that reflected the percentages of different income levels on the planet and the meals that accompany those income levels.

The Culinary Management program enrolled the first seven students in the spring of 2014. Opportunities for additional training opportunities for GCCC culinary students were explored. The Culinary Management Program provided their first project of a fully catered and served meal at Southwind Country Club in June, 2014. The final project was the culmination of the spring semester's first culinary class offered at GCCC. The students prepared the menu, greeted guests, served the meal, and prepped and prepared all food items for the event.

Graduation

GCCC conducted its 94th commencement ceremony on May 16, 2014. The occasion honored the accomplishments of 369 associate degree and certificate candidates, with William B. Greiner, CFA, Chief Investment Officer of Mariner Wealth Advisors, delivering the keynote address and Lydia Gonzales honored as distinguished guest. The graduates included 13 men and women earning associate of arts degrees, 211 associate of science degrees, 73 associate in applied science degrees and 12 associate degrees in general stud-

ies. In addition, approximately 60 students received certificates in automotive technology, cosmetology, industrial maintenance and practical nursing. The John Deere Tech program graduated 15 students who received associate degrees and certifications in a ceremony held May 17th, 2014. The GCCC nursing program hosted its annual Nurse Pinning Ceremony on May 17th, 2014. Sixteen Associate Degree of Nursing (ADN) graduates and 19 Practical Nursing (PN) graduates were awarded pins signifying they have completed all requirements necessary to test for licensure as licensed practical nurses and registered nurses.



2014 Graduates



GCCC Soccer



GCCC Cheer Team



Pink Out Game

BRONCBUSTER ATHLETICS

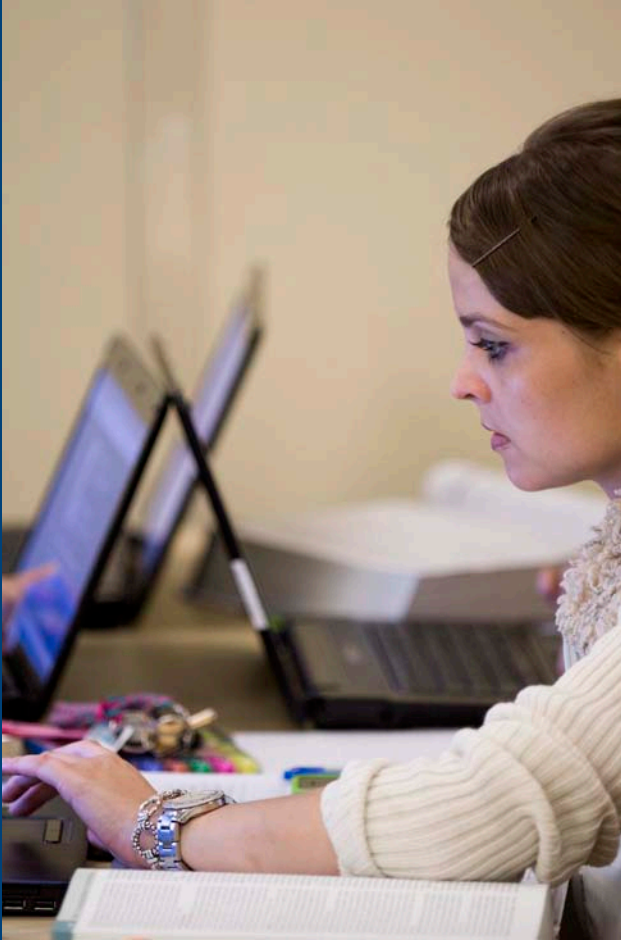
ATHLETIC ACADEMIC AWARDS

The National Junior College Athletic Association released their 2014 academic awards June 24. GCCC had 12 student-athletes that were recognized in three different categories. The NJCAA Pinnacle Award for Academic Excellence is awarded to student-athletes with a 4.0 GPA on a 4 point scale. The NJCAA Superior Academic Achievement Award is awarded to those with a 3.8-3.99 GPA, and the NJCAA Exemplary Academic Achievement Award is given to those earning a 3.6-3.79 GPA. Jalen Espinosa, softball, received the Pinnacle Award. Espinosa was also recently awarded the Michael J. Baughman Scholar Athlete of the Year award at the Broncbuster athletic banquet. Baseball; Zach Barton, Christopher Bonk, Joshua Heifner and Brandon Zipper, women's cross-country and track; Jaden Bolmer, and football; Jake Curran, will receive the Superior Academic Achievement Award. Trevor Bell, Cale Dineen, and Jaxon Mohr, baseball, Anahy Castro, women's cross-country and track, and Emilie Laliberte, softball, will receive the Exemplary Academic Achievement Award. In addition to the national awards, GCCC had 41 academic all-conference athletes. There were 73 students athletes who graduated this year and approximately 36 of those will be moving on to four-year schools. The overall athletic GPA was 2.87.

- GCCC student athletes had a higher overall GPA than students not involved in intercollegiate athletics during the fall 2014 semester.
- Loysha Morris was selected to the KJCCC Second Team All-Conference for women's basketball
- There were 122 student athletes who had a 3.0 GPA or above for the fall semester and 19 who had a 4.0. There were 8 sports teams collectively who had a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above. Those teams were baseball, softball, volleyball, women's cross country, cheer, dance, rodeo and golf.



New GCCC Track



IMPROVING FOR THE FUTURE

GCCC Hosts KACCT

GCCC hosted the quarterly KACCT meeting June 13 and 14. Representatives including college presidents and trustees from all 19 Kansas community colleges descended on Garden City for the two day event. The conference was kicked off by a golf tournament at Buffalo Dunes Golf Course, followed by meetings at the Beth Tedrow Student Center and an evening reception and dinner at the Finnup Center. A breakfast and meetings were held on Saturday as well.

Mobile Tech in Technology Classrooms

Fall semester 2014 will provide a launch of the mobile technology in the classroom. Working closely with the IT Department, faculty will be provided with mobile technology beginning fall semester. Approximately one-half of full-time faculty have secured their devices this summer and will be ready for the first day of class. The Technology Committee chairs Winsom Lamb and Nicole Dick have led this new initiative to enable full-time faculty to utilize their mobile technology in their office, classroom and home. The

traditional desktop computers in the offices will be removed and faculty will utilize their mobile technology for all of their teaching and learning needs at GCCC. The remainder of full-time faculty will choose their devices this fall and be ready for implementation Spring semester 2015. The College Bookstore has begun selling laptops to students. GCCC is experiencing more students each semester with their own mobile technology in the classrooms.

GCCC Presents Disney Institute

On Wednesday, October 29th, 2014 GCCC hosted Disney Institute. GCCC and National American University teamed up to bring the Disney Institute to Garden City. Over one hundred fifty local business and industry owners and their staff were on hand to experience the quality and excellence of the Disney Institute. This is one of the many Continuous Performance Improvement seminars that will be hosted at Garden City Community College.



GCCC John Deere Program



GCCC World Champion Meats Team

POINTS OF PRIDE ...

World Champion Meats Team

The Buster Meats Team returned from the 2014 Australian Intercollegiate Meat Judging Association Contest hailing the title of World Champions! The All-American Team was represented by GCCC students Alan Caro, of Satanta, and Skyler Glenn from Holcomb, as well as three members from Clarendon College in Texas. The team placed 1st overall, 1st in Beef Judging, 1st in Questions/Reasons and 1st in Primal/Retail ID. Additionally, they placed 2nd in Lamb Judging and Pork Judging, 4th in Placings and 5th in Eating Quality. GCCC will host the Australian National Team in January as they come to the USA to practice prepare for the National Western and Southwestern contests.

John Deere Program

Kent Kolbeck, John Deere Program Leader, and Dr. Bruce Exstrom attended the annual administrators meeting for John Deere Technical programs in Moline, Illinois. The emphasis was on the learning outcomes needed in industry, especially relating to technology needs in equipment and diagnostic tools. GCCC students continually upgrade their technology skills and knowledge through curriculum design. The John Deere Program has historically had 100% graduate placement and GCCC hears back from graduates about what skills are needed for entry level technicians. This meeting provided insight into what training to provide in the program.



GC3 Media

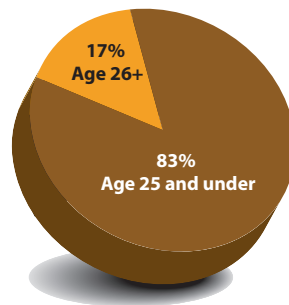
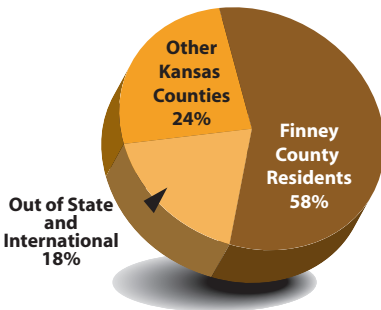
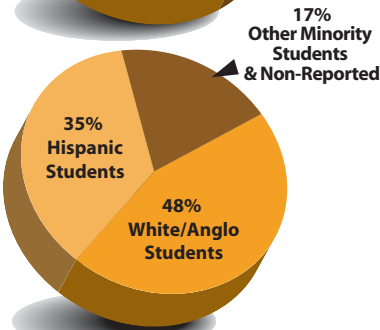
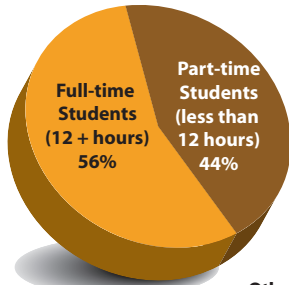
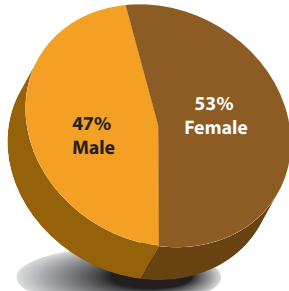
GC-3 Media Shines

- Josh Harbour – Won 19 individual awards at the Kansas Collegiate Media awards conference and runner up as journalist of the year. GC3 Media won almost as many awards individually as all the other colleges won combined for all categories. GC3 Media Advisor Laura Guy said, "You can say everyone earns awards; Josh really, really, really has earned these awards. I don't think there is anyone on staff, myself included, who could say that we have invested more of our time, commitment, energy, loss of sleep, food and social life than he has. So it is a testament to, if you work hard, you get rewarded. And Josh earned every single one of those awards."
- In an onsite copy editing contest, GC3 Media swept the two year newspaper category with Kale Baker, Brett Cady and Andres Rivas taking first second and third respectively.

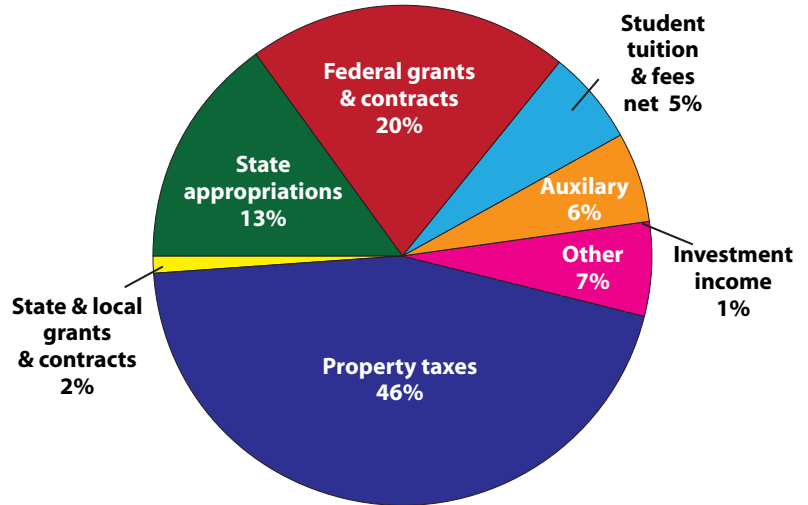
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REVENUES & EXPENDITURES

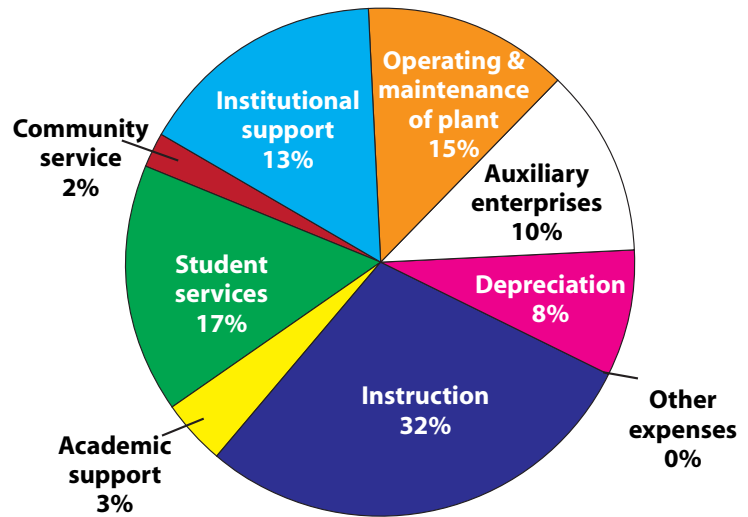
During 2014, GCCC operated with overall educational fund expenditures of **\$16,783,950** and revenues of **\$17,387,362**.



2014 REVENUES BY SOURCE



2014 OPERATING EXPENSES



GCCC also receives extensive federal grant funding not necessarily reflected in the overall educational fund expenditures.

Annual grant funding

\$6,869,752

Based on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards in the college's annual audit report, presented to the GCCC Board of Trustees in December, 2014 for the year ended June 30, 2014.



ADA/EQUAL ACCESS

Garden City Community College is complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and is committed to equal and reasonable access to facilities and programs for all employees, students and visitors. Those with ADA concerns, or who need special accommodations, should contact Susan Pollart, Garden City Community College, 801 Campus Drive, Garden City, KS 67846, 620-276-9638.

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