BOARD MEETING DATE: 02/18/2025

ITEM NUMBER: VIII-a

RECOMMEND THAT THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR NORTH FLORIDA COLLEGE: INFORMATIONAL ITEM, STUDENT LIFE AT A GLANCE.

ATTORNEY REVIEW STATUS: NA

THIS RECOMMENDATION: INFORMATIONAL ITEM ONLY



Learning Resources: ASC, Library, & DRC | Student Engagement: Kelley Fitness & Wellness, Student Activities, Sentinel Café, Community Ed.

Spring Calendar: What's Ahead at NFC



Community Partnerships

At North Florida College, Student Life initiatives extend beyond students—we are committed to building strong connections with our community. One of the ways we do this is through our partnership with area schools, welcoming middle and high school volleyball and basketball teams to practice and compete at the Colin P. Kelly Fitness and Wellness Center at no facility rental cost. This initiative not only brings 50-75 additional community members into our facilities for each game and practice but also serves as an opportunity for recruiting and retention.

Campus Partnerships

Each semester, Learning Resources hosts Pop-in for Pop-Tarts, a welcoming event designed to help students get comfortable with campus technologies, access books, and get their questions answered. This collaborative effort brings together Financial Aid, the Bookstore, faculty, Advising, and more, ensuring students have the support they need to start strong. Plus, all three campus locations participate —so, wherever you are, you can pop in, grab a Pop-Tart, and get connected!

Team Member Spotlight

At North Florida College, we are incredibly fortunate to have Gwen Bivens as the heart of the Student Center and Sentinel Café. For over 30 years, Gwen has not only filled our bellies with her delicious meals—like her infamous *breakfast in a cup* and beloved weekly lunch specials—but she has also filled our hearts with kindness, laughter, and encouragement. The epitome of Student Life and Student Engagement, Gwen has a special gift for making every student feel seen and valued, learning their usual orders, remembering their names, and always taking the time to ask about their classes, goals, and even their club involvement.

As a student, former tutor and now as a full-time team member, Brianna Kinsey, Tutor Lab Manager, does extraordinary work helping students with bookstore procedures and course technology. Brianna displays excellent customer service to students, and she has an in-depth knowledge of technology requirements and the different textbook publishers. Her work ensures our students are off to a great start each term. Brianna is an outstanding asset to the Learning Resources team!





By the Numbers

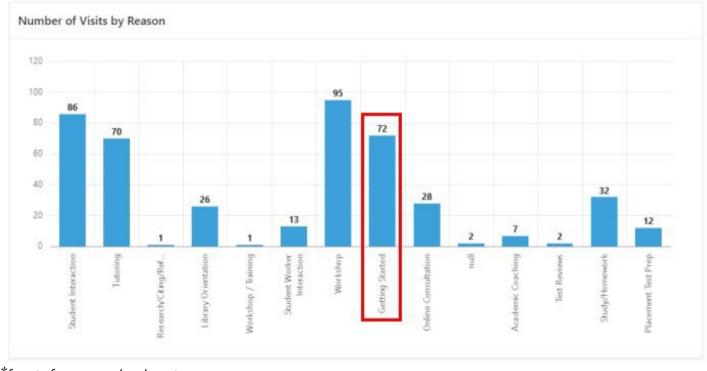
Student Life leverages data from apps developed by the Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness to determine how best to serve our students on campus as well as tracking of services and events.

Students on Campus (Sentinel App: Student Locations Report)

- *493 students are on campus this Spring
- *443 are on campus during the daytime hours
- 69% of students who take face-to-face classes are on campus between the hours of 8am and 12pm

Learning Resources (Sentinel App: Tutor Lab App)

• The Academic Success Center and Tutor Lab are instrumental in helping our students start each term successfully. 72 students participated in the Getting Started event during the first two weeks of the Spring 2025 term. Students received help with bookstore, courses access in D2L, and student email access.



*face to face course headcount

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Mission: An exceptional college dedicated to an individualized and supportive academic atmosphere, accessible education, lifelong learning opportunities, and professional growth for our students and communities.