



The Learning Center | The Testing Center NEWSLETTER Spring 2016

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CENTRAL CAMPUS HOURS

The Learning Center
Monday-Thursday
7:30am-9:00pm
Friday 7:30am-1:30pm

(See www.sccsc.edu/tlc for satellite campus hours)

Did You Know?



The Learning Center has varied services to benefit faculty and students alike. What are these services?

Orientations- We conduct orientations acquainting students with the free tutoring provided by our center while also encouraging them to “dig into” classes early on. This aids students in becoming comfortable with our campus, our staff, and sometimes, a daily study routine.

Workshops- TLC offers workshops in areas such as grammar (Grammar Boot Camp), MLA, study skills, and basic computer skills. We may also be able to customize workshops according to an instructor’s needs. Ask us!

Video Tutorials- Our staff has composed some English and math video tutorials to aid students. Simply go through the SCC portal, click on menu in the upper left-hand corner, click on Support Services, click on The Learning Center, and look under a subject area then study aids.

Remote Tutoring- Tutoring can be provided to satellite campuses remotely by calling our central campus and scheduling a campus-to-campus appointment.

Ask-A-Tutor- Essays can be submitted through Ask-A-Tutor (if submitted in Word), and one of our English tutors will review the essay. We only ask for a 48 hour return time.

Planning Ahead...Testing

As always, the Testing center is not open during spring break week!

- For final exams, the Testing Center will EXTEND hours on Friday, April 29th, until 5 pm.
- All testing materials for this semester should be picked up by 4/29/16 at 5 pm.
- Please plan ahead and allow adequate time for tests to be returned from satellite campuses.



We are here to help you! Have a great March and April!

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The New Era of Text Books - Online or Hard Copy, What is Your Favorite?

Do you remember returning to grade school and the excitement of getting your books for classes? It was even more exciting if you were lucky enough to receive a brand new book! You would be in awe of the colorful cover, the feel of the slick pages, and the smell of the new pages when you opened it. With advancements in technology, that is changing. Many students at SCC come to class having to purchase online course materials. Their courses and books are on the Internet accessed through a keycode on a small piece of plastic wrapped cardboard. For our younger students, this may be a seamless transition; seasoned students may need some extra support!

On the technology side of the Learning Center, we often help students use these new online resources. Many find the modules difficult to navigate, especially during the first couple of chapters. A few typical comments we hear are

- I didn't understand what the due date was, and I missed the deadline.
- Where do I find the textbook?
- Can I download or print the textbook pages?
- How do I know when I completed the assignment, and where do I find my grades?
- I really wish I had a real textbook!



Generally, students do have a good sense of humor as they work through e-assignments. There are several different products SCC is currently using including Cengage Learning. In Cengage, students submit their Microsoft Office projects through an automatic grading program called SAM. Students talk of "SAM" as if HE is a real person. Staff have heard many times, "You know, Sam isn't going to like that!" The students have three chances to make corrections to their files graded by SAM. Submitting the file the last time can be nerve-racking!

Although it might be challenging for our students to use at first, there are many different ways to learn through these online programs. Students can watch videos, practice for tests, have their homework graded automatically, and improve their chances of learning for higher grades. Please remember to encourage your students to get help through the tutors in the technology side of TLC. We enjoy helping our students achieve their goals!



Welcome Leland Wood

The TLC would like to welcome Leland Wood to the Cherokee County Campus. He has a B. A. in Art History and English from Wofford and an M. A. T. in Middle Level English from Converse College. He is excited to be offered the opportunity to share his knowledge and to help others to explore some of the wonderful stories he has enjoyed through the years. Leland has family in Germany and has traveled to over a dozen countries. He loves to write short stories and reflections. Reading is also an essential part of his life. In addition, he enjoys painting, drawing, and sketching. Beyond that he likes to watch drama movies with his cats Zippy and Georgia M. Muttonfudge. Please make his acquaintance when you are on the CCC campus!