

# Mission Statement

The college mission is to provide accessible, high quality, and affordable learning opportunities that transform lives and strengthen the communities we serve.

# Vision Statement

The college vision is to serve our communities by expanding opportunities for personal and professional growth through our commitment to excellence and innovation.

# Core Values

QUALITY INNOVATION

OPPORTUNITY COMMUNITY

ACCESSIBILITY RESPECT

LEARNING INTEGRITY

DIVERSITY PERSONAL GROWTH

# **OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Springfield Campus · Richwood Valley Campus

Table Rock Campus · Lebanon Center

Waynesville Center · OTC Online

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# Strategic Goals

# **QUALITY**

The quality of the faculty, staff, administration and facilities will be enhanced in order to promote continuous responsiveness to the expanding learning needs of the community.

### **EFFECTIVENESS**

The effectiveness of all programs and services will be continuously assessed to ensure integrity and quality are maintained and improved.

### **COMMUNITY COLLABORATION**

Meaningful relationships within the college's service areas will be formed, allowing OTC to develop new programs that reflect the educational needs of the community stakeholders.

### RETENTION AND GRADUATION RATES

The college will encourage faculty, staff and administration to continually strive to improve the rate of student retention and graduation.

# **GRADUATE PERFORMANCE**

The college will promote high academic standards that will serve to enhance the success of graduates at the workplace and in transfer institutions.

**Improve Instruction & Services** 

**Increase College Capacity** 

**Strengthen Fiscal Resources** 

Improve Student Success & Retention

### **INNOVATION**

The college will provide innovative teaching strategies that promote continued learning opportunities for students.

## **AFFORDABILITY**

The college will provide affordable learning opportunities to all community members.

### LEARNING CENTERED

The college will promote a learning-centered environment that focuses on students' needs and reduces barriers to student success.

**Strategic Goals** 

# Community Collaboration Community Collaboration Community Collaboration Retention & Graduation Rates Graduate Performance Innovation Affordability Learning Centered

# Strategic Initiatives

# STRATEGIC INITIATIVES CREATE FOCUS

The Strategic Planning Council meets annually to evaluate and create strategic initiatives geared toward achieving its goals. Four short-term initiatives were created to help the college focus its goals. As each initiative is met, new initiatives are created so that the college continues to work toward the long-term goals.

### **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 1:**

Improve instruction and delivery of services at every point in the institution to increase opportunities for students to attain their educational goals.

*Goal #1:* Increase the number of student completers receiving certificates, degrees, or transfers to four-year institutions.

*Goal #2:* Embrace practices that result in strong and improving levels of student learning in courses, within programs, and college-wide.

*Goal #3:* Increase the success for students who are underserved, including veterans, minorities, and students from low-income backgrounds.

*Goal #4:* Align programs with labor market needs to increase or maintain rates of employment and earnings for graduates.

# **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 2:**

Improve the success and progression of students through attainment of their educational goals.

*Goal #1:* Decrease time students spend in the developmental course sequence.

*Goal #2:* Increase in-course student retention (from beginning of semester to end of semester).

*Goal #3:* Increase between-semester student retention (from end of semester to beginning of next semester).

### **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 3:**

Increase and maintain the college's physical and online capacity to enhance student learning and success.

*Goal #1:* Evaluate facility capacity system-wide to increase and promote student learning and success.

*Goal #2:* Increase and maintain the capacity of OTC Online and all other online support services.

*Goal #3:* Increase and maintain the college's information technology infrastructure.

# **STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 4:**

Strengthen the college's fiscal resources and sustainability through increased external funding.

*Goal #1:* Raise more than \$900,000 a year in private funding through increased endowment and donor base to support the college's mission and vision.

*Goal #2:* Maintain or increase the sustainability of college program investment through grants and contract funding to align with OTC's mission and vision.

*Goal #3:* Continue awareness and engagement campaign for community colleges in legislature and state government to increase state appropriations.

Goal #4: Increase property tax revenue for the college.

*Goal #5:* Increase revenue and opportunity from ancillary and auxiliary funding sources system-wide.