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TO: Board of Education FROM: Dr. Joni Swanson

RE: BHC Summer School at GHS

This summer, for the first time, Geneseo High School teachers are being hired as adjunct professors to teach three Black Hawk College classes to graduates of Geneseo High School, as well as members of the larger Geneseo community.

Classes will begin on June 8th and continue for six weeks. The ending date for our summer school classes is July 17, 2009. The enclosed brochure has been made available to the high school counselors, the three teachers involved and the Geneseo Chamber of Commerce. Mike Kiss, Scott Christensen and Alan Ringenberg will be teaching for Black Hawk this summer. Two of the three classes will be eligible for transfer to a four-year college or university; the third class will count for credit towards an Associates of Arts degree at Black Hawk College.

Please feel free to share this information with anyone you know who has students attending college away from Geneseo, but who are coming home and are in need of summer classes for their degrees. We need a minimum of 14 students to make a class.

The offering of summer courses through Black Hawk College has been a goal of the 2010 initiative- assisting our students in gaining college credits. These new classes take that goal one step farther- by allowing our students to gain credits here at Geneseo High School even after graduation. With success in this new program, we look forward to offering additional classes in the coming years.

As an aside, members of our high school Graphic Arts class, under the direction of Michelle Garrison, created both the poster and the brochure for the BHC classes.



Then talk to your counselors about

courses available at GHS summer of

taking the Black Hawk College

Not ready to leave home?

Available Courses:

· Calculus I

College Algebra

Genetics

*Black Hawk College courses available this summer at GHS - June 8-July 17, 2009. Stop by the guidance office to obtain a BHC folder that provides information about the on-line application, Compass placement test, and course registration.

2009!



Ready for College?

Classes hosted this summer at Geneseo High School!

Students interested in taking college classes but are not quite ready to leave home should consider these Black Hawk summer courses hosted at Geneseo High School.

- *Math 124
- *Math 112
- *Biology 250

Class of 2009

Registration begins in April and will go to right before the class starts. The class will be held in the new science lab rooms. Twelve students are required for classes.



COMPASS test is available in the Spring.

Class Descriptions

Math 124 - (Calculus I) 4 credit hours 8:00 - 9:55 Mon-Fri

Instructor: Scott Christensen

This class would be perfect for students who have completed Pre-Calculus at Geneseo High School. Students must score at least a 46 on the College Algebra section of the COMPASS test to qualify. The test can be taken at any time after registration and before the beginning of the course. This class will transfer to any other community college or 4-year college/university in Illinois. Taking this class before entering college in the fall of 2009 will be helpful in placing students into a better standing for mathematics requirements at the school of their choice. Placement exams at the college will still be required.

Math 112 - (College Algebra) 4 credit hours 8:00 - 9:55 Mon-Fri.

Instructor: Mike Kiss

This class would be perfect for students who have completed the Math 081, 085 sequence, students who have completed Geometry, Algebra II, or Trig and Stats. Students must score a 50 on the Algebra part of the COMPASS exam to qualify. The test can be taken at any time after registration and before the beginning of the course. This class will satisfy general education credit requirements toward an Associate of Arts degree at Black Hawk College. Students wishing to attend BHC in the fall 2009 would benefit from completing this course

Biology 250 - (Genetics) 3 credit hours

10:30 - 12:00 Mon-Fri Instructor: Al Ringenberg

This class would be perfect for students who are interested in any health related profession or science major. The class will transfer to any other community college or 4-year college/university in Illinois. There is no COMPASS test requirement for the course. Course content will include: An introduction to genetics, immunogenetics and population genetics. Genetic technology, genetic diseases and genetic counseling are also discussed. This class will satisfy general education credit requirements and may count as a science elective at a 4-year college or university. As always, check with the school of enrollment on a final determination of where credit will be awarded Students attending any post-secondary program in the the fall 2009 would benefit from this course.



