AB927 / Baccalaureate

COLLEGE COUNCIL – 1-27-2022
AB 927

- October 6, 2021 – Signed by Governor
- Extended current CC Bachelor programs permanently
- Established plan for 15 new CC Bachelor degrees every 6 months, indefinitely
- Required non-compete with CSU and UC
- Expected to serve workforce training and direct employment
KCCD Timeline

- Dec. 17, 2021 - KCCD Chancellor’s Office receives email from C CCCO
  - Email indicated due date of Jan. 15, 2022
- Review of potential workforce related BS degrees begins
  - Discussed Health Information Technology (HIT) and ASL Interpreting as options
  - Review of CIP and TOP codes for CSU/CU programs
  - Potential BS in Research Laboratory Technology due to Energy Industry planning with NREL (National Renewable Energy Laboratory)
- Jan. 7, 2022 – Brought in Jason Dixon and Steve Waller about Science/Technology option
- Jan. 15, 2022 – Proposed draft BS Research Laboratory Technology program submitted to C CCCO
BS Research Laboratory Technology

Program Pathway Opportunities

>30 High Schools → Bakersfield Early College
- Students may complete dual enrollment courses and gain advanced credit for some courses through AP and CLEP exams.

Bakersfield College or any California CC → Science pathways
- Students complete science pathways in Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, or Geology with at least a “C” in 2nd semester general chemistry and calculus I.

Bakersfield College or any California CC → Research Laboratory Technology BS
- Students complete the Research Laboratory Technology BS program. Research, internship or work experiences are completed at Bakersfield College or other institutions.

Employment
- Graduates gain employment in highly skilled science technician positions in biology, chemistry, environmental science, geology, and emerging energy industries.
Next Steps:

- Engage College Curricular Process
- Refine Proposal as Needed
- ACCJC Substantive Change
- Funding and Resources in Place
- Develop College Process for Round 2+