



BC Student Health Fee

Why the increase is needed...




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Student Health and Wellness Center



The Mission of SHWC
To further the health equity of the educational opportunity. This is accomplished by providing access to high value, student centered and culturally competent health services. Services which promote the physical, emotional and spiritual wellness of its students and their academic environment. This wellness contributes to the educational aim of our college by promoting student persistence and academic success in congruence with the college's mission, core values and strategic directions.



Current Services

www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/studenthealth/services

- Medical Health Services
- Mental Health Services
- Telehealth-Services
- Referral to Community Resources



Current Services

www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/studenthealth/services

- Family Planning
- Over the Counter Medications
- Community Health Events and Fairs
- Medical and Crisis Aid

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SHWC Staff

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      DSL[Director of Student Life] --- DA[Department Assistant]
      DSL --- ASH[Acting Director of Student Health]
      DSL --- LMT[Two Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists]
      ASH --- MA[Medical Assist]
      ASH --- CN[College Nurse]
      ASH --- SE[Four Student Employees]
    
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Unduplicated Student Headcount

Student Headcount

Since 2013-14, Bakersfield College has grown by 86.8%. The annual student headcount for 2017-18 was 36,997, which was 1,907 more students than the previous year.

Annual unduplicated headcount refers to the number of credits and non-credit students actively enrolled in at least one term for the academic year. Students enrolled in multiple terms are counted only once.

2018-19 Current Headcount:

36,997

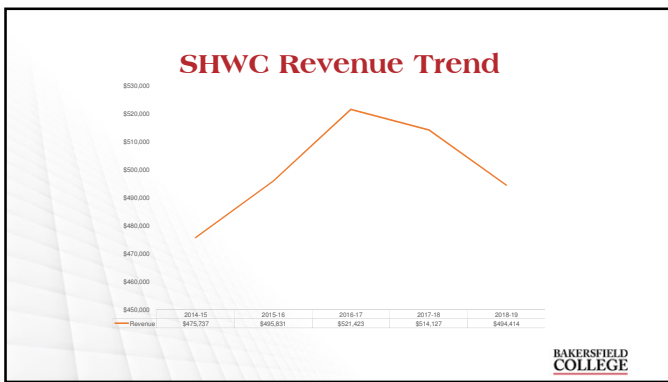
Five Year Trend - Student Headcount (Unduplicated)

| Academic Year | Number of Students |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 2013-14 | 24,324 |
| 2014-15 | 25,211 |
| 2015-16 | 27,927 |
| 2016-17 | 29,235 |
| 2017-18 | 31,142 |

Source: CCCCO DataMart

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Student Health Data Trends

| Fiscal Year | Headcount | Clinic Visits | Difference | Revenue | Difference |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 2014-15 | 25,321 | 1,320 | | \$475,737 | |
| 2015-16 | 27,627 | 2,951 | 123.56% | \$495,831 | 4.22% |
| 2016-17 | 31,290 | 4,242 | 43.75% | \$521,423 | 5.16% |
| 2017-18 | 33,257 | 4,611 | 8.70% | \$514,127 | -1.40% |
| 2018-19 | 36,997 | 5,830 | 26.44% | \$494,414 | -3.83% |

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What Does the Data Tell Us?

- In the 2018 American College Health Association's National College Health Assessment (NCHA):
- 17,000 CCC students surveyed from 23 community colleges
- Over 30% reported a health issue interfered with their academic success in the last year:
 - "Received a lower grade on an exam or important project in the course"
 - "Received an incomplete or dropped a course"

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Comparison of Student Health Fee

Currently at BC

- \$21 for Fall Semester
- \$21 for Spring Semester
- \$18 for Summer Semester

Current Cap Set by CCCCC*

- \$13 for Fall Semester
- \$13 for Spring Semester
- \$10 for Summer Semester

*www.cccco.edu/about-us/chancellor-office/divisions/collage-finance-and-facilities/planning/student-fees

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What Does the Chancellor's Office Say About Students the Health Fee?


Per the Student Fee Hand book* Legal Opinion Legal Affairs Chancellor's Office CCC October 18, 2012 (pg. 20)

"We believe that the health fee may be charged to students who take only online classes or who attend classes at sites away from where the health services center is physically located. The health fee is not designated as a "use" fee, and it appears that so long as the statutory exemptions are offered to all affected students, the fact that their classes may not be physically proximate to a student health center does not remove the fee obligation. Additionally, even though students may take online classes or be enrolled in classes that are offered at sites away from the student health center, that does not necessarily mean that such students will not travel to the health center or otherwise receive student health services."

www.cccco.edu/~/media/CCCCO-Website/Files/General_Counsel/12-09-studentfeehandbook2012.pdf#page=26&view=CCADFAFA7978046E976047A2C3067208482624

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Do Students ask for tele-Health Services



YES!
Students call or email our office asking for services
Students and Faculty request presentation and Health Service information for their students
Currently, more tele-health services are needed

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So What's the Request?

Supporting the Health and Wellness of ALL Students at Bakersfield College by slightly increasing the Student Health Fee.

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Financial Impact

- All eligible Bakersfield College student will be assessed the mandatory fee described above regardless if they use the direct service or not if so approved by the KCCD Board of Trustees. The increase is \$5 for the fall and spring semesters and \$3 for the summer semester.
- This is a total of \$13 increase annually for a student.

| | Fall | Spring | Summer | Annual |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Allowable | \$21 | \$21 | \$18 | \$60 |
| Currently | \$13 | \$13 | \$10 | \$36 |
| <i>Proposed</i> | <i>\$18</i> | <i>\$18</i> | <i>\$13</i> | <i>\$49</i> |

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What MORE Can We Offer Students?

- Online screenings
- Additional Kognito online training
- Up to date Community Resources and Referrals
- Student Health 101 Online Magazine
- Comprehensive Website with an online Educational Repository
- College health podcasts and videos

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What MORE Can We Offer Students?

- More immunizations on campus
- Free Flu Shoots medications
- Free Over-the-Counter
- Free TB testing and Screenings
- Patient Labs
- Referral to Kern Medical

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What MORE Can We Offer tele-Students?

- Additional office visits for medical
- Nursing consultations
- Telehealth therapy with Mental Health Therapists
- Additional office visits for mental health services
- Telephone consults with a licensed therapist to help with local referrals
- Access to Health Services sponsored activities and events

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What Services we can Increase

- Nursing assessment and physicals
- Administering First Aid
- Campus Emergency Response and assess need for Paramedics
- Blood pressure and pulse monitoring
- Glucose monitoring
- Vision tests
- Tuberculosis testing and referrals
- Administration of oral and topical over-the-counter medications
- Administration of immunizations of flu shots
- Administration of immunizations for Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis, Hepatitis, B and others
- Facilitating monthly gynecological examinations
- Sexually Transmitted Infections testing and education
- Instruction and distribution of contraceptives
- Providing for anonymous/confidential HIV testing
- Self-weight monitoring and instructions on how to calculate Body Mass Index
- Referrals to health care providers and/or low cost health care clinics
- One-on-one information on health insurance, including MediCal and MediCal expansion and referral to local agencies that help with the application process
- Act as first point of medical contact for International Students and provide medical referrals
- Explaining insurance claims and billing procedures to International Students
- Provide low cost prescription medications when prescribed by SHWC Nurse Practitioner &/or Physician
- Collaborate with Kern County Public Health regarding communicable diseases that impact our students, faculty and staff
- Referral and visitation to Kern Medical facilities at low or no cost to the student



Who does it affect?

- In accordance with Education Code Section 76355 and KCCD Board Policy, all enrolled Bakersfield College students are eligible for the fee, except the following category of students:
 - Students who depend exclusively upon prayer for healing in accordance with the teachings of a bona fide religious sect, denomination, or organization;
 - Students enrolled in an approved apprenticeship training program;
 - Students enrolled only in courses of two weeks or less duration;
 - Students who are incarcerated; and
 - Students who are primarily attending high school.



Student Health Projected Budget

For FY19: Revenue: \$494,414 Headcount: 36,997
 \$36/student annually Paying Count: 13,888

Projected: Revenue: \$680,512 Headcount: 35,000
 \$49/student annually Paying Count: 13,888

| Expenditure Items | Cost | Projected Expenditures | Projected Costs |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| SHWC Staff Salaries | \$200,000 | SHWC Staff Salaries | \$200,000 |
| Licensing | \$11,000 | Licensing | \$11,000 |
| Supplies/Others | \$18,000 | Supplies/Others | \$15,000 |
| Mental Health Services Panorama | \$410,000 | Mental Health Services (All) | \$400,000 |
| Mental Health Services Delano | \$60,000 | Medical Services (F2F/Tele) | \$30,000 |
| Medical Services Delano | \$10,000 | MED Director | \$22,000 |
| MED Director | \$22,000 | | |
| Total | \$531,000 | Total | \$678,000 |
| Carryover | -\$36,586 | Carryover | \$2,512 |



Both Sides of the Coin

Pro Arguments:

- Provides students the opportunity for affordable health care services
- Could improve student health resulting in increased retention and graduation rates
- Promotes alternative health care service, which can reduce student costs
- It will help students who do not have immediate health care
- Students will be able to use the services while at college
- Increase in services for our inner-city as well out towards rural Kern cities
- Potential Development of a telehealth care on mobile devices
- Increase in mental health professionals to see more students

Con Arguments:

- Some people dislike public health and would not use it.
- Students that do not use the SHWC will still have to pay the fee
- Inconsistent accessibility to community stations
- Everyone would pay the fee without an opt out ability

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Why Ask for the Fee Change Now?

- SHWC is funded solely by the Student Health Fee
- Medical services and personnel costs continue to rise
- The demand for medical and mental health services is increasing
- The Student Health fee has not been raised since 2006
- Our services are at risk because of this deficit
- Revenue decreases as the enrollment increases in the special populations
- The need to expand our services to tele-health services with creditable companies
- State mental health funds are "year by year". They cannot be relied on for continuity of mental health services and often exclude direct services, like therapy
- The new funding formula makes it is more important than ever to develop sustainable funding for programs that help students succeed
- We want to continue our excellent medical and mental health services and offer them to ALL students!

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SHWC Wants to Sustain Our Services

- Free TB testing and screening
- Free Flu shots
- Free tampons and pads
- Free condoms and lube
- Free over-the-counter medications
- Free Family Planning
- Low cost prescription medicine
- Free snacks and health supplies
- Provide campus-wide wellness activities
- Participate in National College Health Assessment survey which gives us excellent health practice data on Cuesta students, CCC students, and national trends
- Stay current in college health evidence-based practices through education and collaboration with community partners
- Adding more services via tele-services

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Why we do this...

Many health, wellness, and social issues negatively impact, delay, or halt California Community College students' academic progress every year

These can be mitigated or eliminated if addressed appropriately, leading to more rapid completion of academic programs and goals

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SHWC Contributes to Student Success!!!

Assessing this increased fee will allow SHWC to continue and provide excellent services and promote Health and Wellness across the campus and remotely for ALL Renegades!

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