

Central Baptist College 2021 BMA of AR District Association Meeting Report

Thank you for your consistent support of the ministry of Central Baptist College! We praise God for your prayers and generosity each year because they are the foundation for what God does in the lives of our students, faculty and staff. You are making a difference—you are contributing to the "transformation of lives" through the Gospel of Christ to all who encounter Central Baptist College.

The administration works very hard to integrate Christian faith and academic excellence. We believe that all truth comes from God and we share this Christ-centered worldview unashamed. This worldview sees God as the source of truth for all disciplines, be it mathematics, science, history, or any other subject. Therefore, the student receives a deeper, more thorough education when the professor is not limited by mandates prohibiting discussions of faith.

The fall 2021 enrollment had an overall increase of 2.5% compared to the fall 2020 semester. 622 total students compared to 607 students, fall 2020. The new traditional student population increased by 12.9%. Also, the number of students living on campus increased by 28% and 42 students. There was also an increase from our high school concurrent partner schools by 56%. Although the adult student population in the PACE program, Professional Adult College Education has been on the decline the program is outstanding and we are starting to reach new and interested students. Please pray that God will continue to provide a way to increase our student population for His glory and the good of all the students who hear the Gospel proclaimed and modeled to them each day.

The college's Special Emphasis "CBC Day" begins September 12, 2021. CBC Day contributions will be for the CBC Annual Fund that supports, among many other things, the ministry grant, academic and performance scholarships, spiritual life programs, and the development of new academic programs. If your church has participated or is scheduled to participate, we thank you! We are humbly asking you to set aside that Sunday, another day this fall or even a day in the spring, to devote a specific part of the morning worship service to a special called time of prayer. Whether your church is meeting in person or virtually, resources are available to help you host a successful CBC Day. If September 12 is not a conducive date for your church, we will work with you to accommodate any date that best fits the needs of your church throughout the year. For more information contact Duffy Guyton, Director of Church Relations, at dguyton@cbc.edu or 501-205-8920. To register your church's participation, visit cbc.edu/cbcday.

<u>The Mustang in the Making Legacy Program</u> works with alumni and friends of the college to help celebrate their children or grandchildren's milestone birthdays until they graduate high school. This is a great way to introduce them to CBC and show them a little extra attention as they grow up. To learn more or to sign up visit <u>cbc.edu/mustangsinthemaking</u> or contact Jessica Faulkner, <u>jfaulkner@cbc.edu</u> or (501) 205-8800.

Central Baptist College competes in 16 different sports in the NAIA and American Midwest Conference (AMC). The Athletic Department exposes many non-Christian student-athletes with many who are from other countries to the Gospel every year and fosters a sense of Mustang pride. By joining the <u>Mustang Club</u>, the Athletic Department Booster Club, in 1 of 5 levels you support the effort of transforming lives through spiritual, academic and athletic excellence. Join the Mustang Club and following the Mustangs on social media or text and e-mail alerts at <u>cbcmustangs.com</u>.

Central Baptist College desires to serve the BMA associations through academic excellence to both traditional and nontraditional students in your churches. Please consider sending us prospective college student lists or providing a point of contact that will help our admissions team develop relationships with your students. You can also encourage your students to visit <u>cbc.edu/visit</u> to schedule a personal campus visit experience or sign up for one of three Stampede Preview Days this year, **October 20th**, **November 10th**, **January 28th** (Homecoming Legacy Weekend) & February 16th.

You can also be a volunteer recruiter as a Mustang Ambassador. <u>Mustang Ambassadors</u> are helping the college create a network of alumni and friends to help tell CBC's story. Sign up at <u>cbc.edu/ambassador</u> or contact Ryan Johnson at <u>rjohnson@cbc.edu</u>, (501) 205-8815.

In addition to the Mustang Ambassador Program you can request a <u>CBC Admissions Department</u> <u>representative</u> visit your church or youth event by emailing <u>admissions@cbc.edu</u> or calling us at (501) 329-6873. You can also refer a student to our admissions team online at <u>cbc.edu/referral</u> and we will contact the referred student.

Lastly but certainly not least, please pray for our weekly chapel services that are virtual chapel messages during this fall and the student discipleship program. Chapel and weekly student-led discipleship groups are a vital part of the spiritual experience at CBC. This fall's chapel theme is "Know Truth." Our goal is to plant the Gospel message into the hearts of our students that in Jesus there is life and His life is the best!

We have new student leaders that will be investing in the lives of other students all year long through our student discipleship program. Pray that all our students will increase in their knowledge of God and lead others to trust Jesus for their salvation.

Thank you again for your prayers and financial support for Central Baptist College. We love our churches of the BMA of AR. We cannot carry out our mission without you.