It’s the end of Fall Semester!

Bring on the December Celebrations!

Finals are here! **You Got This!** STRIVE will help and support you cross that finish line as you **strive** to achieve your goals!

December marks the end of one chapter and the beginning of another. Everything you did to prepare yourself will soon pay off. Hard work and dedication is the driver on the road to your success. Reach out to those who support and encourage you, they will help you pave the way and provide you with the necessary tools to reach your goals.

It is a time to celebrate accomplishments, embrace perseverance, and rejoice with family and friends!

**STRIVE Staff wish you joy, laughter, and many blessings!**
Friday, December 13th is the End of Fall Semester Classes!

Fall 2019 Final Exams (required as scheduled)
Monday - Thursday December 16th thru 19th!

Make Up Day for Cancelled Final Exams
Monday, December 23, 2019!

STRIVE Program Day
for new STRIVE Students
Thursday, January 16, 2020!
Look for invitation soon!

Register for Spring 2020!
If you have not registered yet, meet with your STRIVE Counselor ASAP!

Campus is Closed for Winter Holidays!

Campus reopens Thursday, January 2, 2020

IMPORTANT DATES:
The Last Lesson Before Finals!
When: Thursday, December 5, 2019
Time: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Where: DON 368
Presented by: Shelby Krieger
(Pizza will be served)

Writing Preparation!
The Last Lesson Before Finals!

Social Hour
When: Wednesday, December 4, 2019
Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Where: DON 368
(Snacks will be available)
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STRIVE Program Day

When: Thursday, January 16, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Where: KC 301

(Lunch will be served!)

This event is MANDATORY for New STRIVE Students!

(Snow day: Friday, January 17, 2020)

Have questions???

Ask your STRIVE Counselor!

SUCCESS!

ASK a Tutor or Learning Coach!

Need Help? Set yourself up for the Spring 2020 semester!

STRIVE offers our students the opportunity to meet weekly with math tutors, writing tutors, and learning coaches to help you meet your goals.

Contact Raisa Amirova in DON 240 or at 552-2505 to help you get started!
William Puckett joined the STRIVE community, Fall 2015. He graduated HCC, Spring 2017 and transferred to the Elms College Nursing Program. As a STRIVE/TRIO Alumnus, Will worked as a STRIVE Peer Writing Tutor and is currently a STRIVE Professional Writing Tutor.

We are very proud to announce that Will passed the NCLEX exam through The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) and is a Licensed Registered Nurse! Woohoo!

Please join us in Congratulating William Puckett!

Meet Elizabeth Busker, Marine Corps veteran, single mom, psychology major, Student Senate President, and a New STRIVE Student. Elizabeth is HCC’s Student Spotlight of the month. Click on the link below to read more about Elizabeth on how “Quitting is not an option”

https://www.hcc.edu/about/news-events-and-media/spotlight-profiles/elizabeth-busker
NATIONAL FIRST GENERATION STUDENT CELEBRATION

For the 2nd year, STRIVE joined colleges and universities throughout the nation to participate in the National First-Generation College Celebration on November 8, 2019.

#CELEBRATEFIRSTGEN
File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible. All students must renew their FAFSA every school year. Filing the FAFSA earlier will help you to avoid missing deadlines, thereby maximizing the amount of aid for which you are eligible. Do not procrastinate! Don’t miss out on student financial aid by missing a deadline.

Big Y has awarded 4.7 million dollars to over 6,300 students since the beginning of the program. All Big Y scholarships are awarded to the most academically outstanding students in the Big Y market area. These scholarships are open to customers and employees, and there are awards for both traditional and nontraditional students. The application deadline is February 1st. You can find the application here: https://www.bigy.com/Community/Scholarships

The Fall 2019 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE can be found by clicking here, or by visiting https://www.hcc.edu/courses-and-programs/academic-calendar/final-exam-schedule