Coastal Bend College

Mandatory Orientation

Getting familiar with the terms and resources available to you
Mission Statement

Coastal Bend College is a comprehensive, public community college serving a diverse South Texas area. It is a student-centered institution committed to the highest integrity and to the development of an educational culture that supports creativity, encourages professional development, and promotes excellence in all areas.
CBC at a Glance

- **Enrollment:**
  About 4,000 students.

- **NJCAA Athletics**

- **Housing** on campus in Beeville.

- Quality education at an affordable cost.
Interactive Power Point

When you see a word written in light orange and underlined, hover your mouse over the word and left click. It will take you to the Coastal Bend College web page that discusses that item in more detail.
CBC Lingo: Talk the Talk

- **Academic Calendar**: A list of important dates throughout the semester. Ex) First day of class.
- **Degree Plan**: A list of courses that you need to earn an Associate’s degree at Coastal Bend College. Think of your degree plan as a road map to graduation!
- **Pre-requisite**: Classes you need to take before being accepted into a program such as Nursing.
- **Credit Hours**: Most classes are worth 3 credits. Classes with labs are worth 4 credits. Most degrees at CBC require 60 credits to graduate.
**CBC Lingo: Talk the Talk**

- **FERPA**: Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
- **G.P.A.**: Grade Point Average. This is your overall grade of all your classes combined. A 4.0 means all A’s. Financial Aid does look at your GPA!
- **Major**: The field you have chosen to study.
- **MW & TR**: Most classes are scheduled for Monday and Wednesday (MW) or Tuesday and Thursday (TR).
- **Syllabus**: Information about your class, professor contact info., and course schedule. Given out by each professor at the beginning of every semester.
CBC Lingo: Talk the Talk

- **Drop**: A withdrawal from a course resulting in a grade of “W.”
  - You can only drop 6 classes your WHOLE college career so choose wisely! A drop is better than an F!
  - Does not count toward your GPA.
  - Students must drop classes with an advisor after the first class day.
  - There is a deadline to add/drop classes! If you miss the deadline, you will be graded on what you have.
  - It is your responsibility to drop a class if you are failing or not attending.
  - If you take a class 3 or more times the fees get higher!

- **67%**: You must pass 67% of all attempted classes to be eligible for financial aid!
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- **Transcript**: A list of all the classes you have taken and grades earned.

- **Transfer credit**: Most Core classes and some Workforce courses are transferable between Texas colleges.

- **Reverse Transfer**: If you leave CBC before you earn your Associate’s degree, request that CBC be mailed a copy of your transcript when you have taken all the courses needed to complete your Associate’s (called reverse transfer) and we will award you a degree!
Cougar Center

We Offer:

- **Registrar/Admissions**: Add/Drop, Transcripts, Graduation Application.
- **Financial Aid**: questions, Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) help, loan sessions, scholarships, DreamKeeper, work-study program.
- **Veterans Affairs**: questions, help with paperwork, course options.
Dedicated Advising

Your Dedicated Advisor will:

- help you create an Degree Plan
- help you set short- & long-term goals
- refer you to Student Support Services
- review your grades with you
- help you register for the next semester & decide the best schedule for YOU (Are you a morning or night person?)
- help you apply for graduation or transfer
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Services

**Student Development** offers:

- **Advising**: add/drop courses, declare a major, degree plans, and transfer questions.
- **Disability Services**: classroom accommodations and campus accessibility.
- **Online Resources**: including Online Study Help, Transfer Resources, Financial Resources, Health and Wellness Resources, and Online Workshops!
Services

The Student Success Center offers:

- **Early Alert**: Identifies students having difficulties in class and provides support services to improve student success.
- **Tutoring**: FREE tutoring is available by appointment during the semester at every site. Subjects vary by site.
- **E-Tutoring**: Students can get FREE tutoring for a variety of subjects through online tutoring.
- **Calculator & Laptop Loan Agreements**
- **Testing Centers**: offers college entrance exams, competency exams and internet testing for courses.
Resources

- **Library**: CBC site and online access to databases, EBSCOhost eBooks, and scholarly journals.
- **Business Office**: Pay tuition and fees, payment plans available. (Note that dual credit courses for high school students are offered at a reduced rate. High School graduates pay the full college rate.)
- **Computer Lab Access**: Computers and Wi-Fi access in different locations on all CBC sites.
Resources

**Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend**
Coastal Bend College Campus - Beeville
3800 Charco Rd., Beeville, TX 78102
Phone: 361-358-8941
[www.workforcesolutionscb.org](http://www.workforcesolutionscb.org)

**Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend**
Coastal Bend College Site - Alice
704 Coyote Trail, Alice, TX 78332
Phone: 361-668-0167
800-388-5813
[www.workforcesolutionscb.org](http://www.workforcesolutionscb.org)

**Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend**
Coastal Bend College Site - Kingsville
1814 Brahma Blvd., Kingsville, TX 78363
Phone: 866-262-1615
[www.workforcesolutionscb.org](http://www.workforcesolutionscb.org)

**Workforce Solutions Alamo**
206 N Smith Street, Pleasanton, Texas 78064
Phone: 830-569-4702
Fax: 830-281-6629
[www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org](http://www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org)
Student Activities

CBC hosts educational and cultural activities throughout each semester such as:

- Veteran’s Day
- Red Ribbon Week
- Join a Club Day
- Hispanic Heritage Month
- Black History Month
- Spring Fest
- And More!
Student Life

Varies from site to site

- Intramurals
  - Kickball
  - Dodge Ball
  - Volleyball
  - Softball

- Pool Tournaments
- Ping-Pong Tournaments
- Games
- Movie Night
- And More!
Clubs/Organizations

**Student involvement can help make your experience memorable and looks great on a resume!**

Clubs/Organizations vary from site to site.

- Students interested in starting a new club may see an Advisor for information.
- Volunteers or Student Ambassadors are always welcome to help with events!
- Join us for Educational/Cultural field trips!

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Clubs/Organizations

- Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)
- Student Government Association (SGA)
- Student Ambassadors
- Radiology Club
- Criminal Justice Club
- Cosmetology Club
- Power Lifting Club
- STEM Club
- Dental Hygiene Club
- Biology Club
- Kappi Chi Club
Things You Should Know!

*Campus Connect* is your student data base!

- You can access your *student ID*, grades, schedules, billing statements, and your unofficial transcript.
- You can update your address, phone number, personal email, and FERPA permissions.
- You can sign-up for Emergency Alerts to be texted to your cell phone.
- You can register for classes, *order your books*, pay your tuition, and review your financial aid status.
- You can use *degree audit* to see how many classes you need to graduate!
  - You can also “degree shop” to see how many classes you need to graduate if you were to change majors.
Things You Should Know!

- **Your Cougar Card Student ID can be used as a debit card!**
  - Any financial aid refunds will be sent to your Cougar Card.
- **Blackboard 9**: If you are taking an online class, Blackboard will be your primary resource for completing the class.
- **CBC Student Email** is where you receive school updates, and email your professor or study buddy. Email can be synced with your Smart Phone! It is your last name and the last four digits of your social security number @study.coastalbend.edu
  - Ex) lastname1234@study.coastalbend.edu
Deadlines...

- Register for classes early!
- Be aware of deadlines for adding and dropping classes.
- Pay tuition & fees early to avoid being dropped from classes.
- Be on the lookout for your Final Exam Schedule.
- Graduation applications must be submitted on time!
- Renew your FAFSA every year by April 1st.
- Scholarship applications are also due by April 1st!
If You Must Miss Class

Contact Your Instructor!!

• If you are sick and have to miss class email/call them. Where is that info? On your syllabus and on our Faculty/Staff Site!

Do not skip class! Instructors DO take roll! SOME will drop you if you continue to be absent or they can post a grade of an F!
Classroom Etiquette

- Be respectful of your instructor!
- Do not have your phone out during class!
- Do not fall asleep in class!
- Do not talk to each other while the professor is lecturing!
- Turn in assignments on time!
- Ask questions if you are stuck!
- Visit with professors during office hours to discuss any problems you are having with assignments. Professors try to work with you when you work with them!
Study Tips

- Get organized!
  - Keep a calendar. Marking all assignments down on one calendar can help you see how much time you need to devote to each class.

- Ask yourself...
  - How much time do you need to study?
  - Which subject do you need to study first? Prioritize.

- Do not procrastinate!!!
  - You cannot write a quality research paper in one evening.

- Take notes while in class..
  - Look at your notes at least 3 times before your test.
Study Time Suggestions

• Avoid Cram Sessions!
• Manage your time effectively.
• Remove distractions - turn off the TV and put your cell phone in the other room.
• Study in 20-50 minutes increments.
• When you finish a chapter in your textbook, write a summary or make flash cards.
• Organize a study group.
• Study in between classes.
• Make a quiz for yourself.
• Go to tutoring.

Coastal Bend COLLEGE
Student Rights & Responsibilities

At Coastal Bend College, students have rights and responsibilities with which they should familiarize themselves. Student rights include complaint and grievance procedures and responsibilities include expected student conduct. These rights are provided to assure students are treated fairly and responsibilities are necessary for a safe and productive learning environment.
Student Rights & Responsibilities

Title IX

Coastal Bend College prohibits:

- Domestic violence
- Dating violence
- Sexual assault
- Stalking

Any student in need of reporting a concern or incident may contact the members of the Title IX Task Force listed below:

Domingo Martinez III
361-354-2772
domingo@coastalbend.edu

Amanda Barrera
361-592-1615, X4077
amanda@coastalbend.edu
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Awareness and Prevention:

Women’s Shelter of South Texas

1-800-580-HURT
Corpus Christi  361-881-8888
Alice  361-664-8598
Kingsville  361-516-0288
Pleasanton  830-569-2001

www.thewomensshelter.org

Jodie Elder, PhD, LPC-S, LMFT

*See Student Services for a referral.
Student Rights & Responsibilities

Student Rights & Responsibilities are outlined in the following policies referenced in *italics*. To access the policy just type the italicized section in the search feature of the policy manual.

http://pol.tasb.org/Home/Index/155
Student Rights & Responsibilities

- Access To Programs, Services, and Activities *GL*(Legal) includes information on nondiscrimination, disabilities, special needs.
- Activities *FK*(LOCAL)
- Activities Registered Student Organizations *FKC*(LEGAL)
- Activities Registered Student Organizations *FKC*(Local)
- Admissions and Attendance - Admissions Requirements *FBA* (Legal) includes information on academic fresh starts, nontraditional secondary reduction, immunizations, foreign students, military service readmissions).
- Complaints *FLD* (LOCAL)
- Conduct - Alcohol and Drug Use *FLBE* (Local)
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- Conduct - Prohibited Organizations and Hazing *FLBC* (Legal)
Student Rights & Responsibilities

- Discipline and Penalties: Discipline Hearings Procedure *FMA (LOCAL)*
- Facilities: Student and Community Use of College District Facilities *GF (Local)*
- Health Requirements and Services - Immunizations *FDAB (Legal)*
- Instructional Arrangements - Course Load and Schedules *ECC (Legal)*
- Public Information Program - Student's Right to Know *GAC (Legal)* includes information on graduation rates, crime statistics, reported and recording crimes, and reports
- Records *FJ (LEGAL)*
- Records *FJ (LOCAL)*
- Records: Definitions of Crimes of Violence *FJ (Xhibit)*
- Rights and Responsibilities - Interrogations and Searches *FLC (Legal)*
- Rights and Responsibilities - Involvement In Decision Making *FLA (Legal)*
- Rights and Responsibilities - Student Expression *FLAA (Legal)*
- Rights and Responsibilities Student Conduct *FLB (LOCAL)*
- Sex Offender Registration *FL (LEGAL)*
- Site Management-Security *CHA (LEGAL)*
- Welfare - Freedom from Bullying, Dating Violence, and Retaliation *FFE (LOCAL)*
Some Ending Notes...

• Help is ALWAYS available from all CBC faculty and staff members.
• Attend workshops and events! These activities are FREE!
• Get involved!
• You are in charge of how you want to remember your college experience.
• This is college: study, study, study!
• Make smart choices.
• Did we mention . . . HAVE FUN!!!!?
Thank you for choosing Coastal Bend College! We are excited to help you reach your goals and achieve SUCCESS!

Be sure to complete the **Mandatory Orientation Post-Assessment**. It is only 8 questions, but you must know your CBC ID# so that we can give you credit. Thank you.