

Date: October 15, 2024 **To:** Board of Regents

From: Sandra J. Bauman, Ed. D. Dean/CEO

Re: Campus Report for November 2024 Board of Regents Meeting

Community Education Center

The **Small Business Development Center** (SBDC), hosted at Helena College, has advised 76 clients so far this year, 25 of which are rural, for 178 hours of counseling time, and offered a **Boots 2 Business Reboot**, with another scheduled in November. In addition, we will be offering AI training and Profit Mastery training in the next quarter.

The **CDL Program** has surpassed expectations with a 100% pass rate and success rate on the testing in calendar year 2024 and kudos to our instructor **Mark Meyer** for his continued coaching excellence! Thirty-two drivers completed the Class A program and 5 drivers completed the new Class B to Class A program. The next CDL class will start on February 27, 2025.

Cosmetology

<u>The Salon</u> has been accepting clients since May 14, 2024. We have provided the following since May: 985 Haircuts, 1121 Nail Services, 233 Color Services, and 120 Skin Services (facials).

eLearning & Faculty Development

HC successfully transitioned from Moodle to Canvas in May 2024 by offering training in various formats, including self-paced courses, webinars, open labs, workshops, in-person, online, recordings, and providing videos, written guides, pop-up messages, and step-by-step tours within Canvas.

K-12 Partnerships

We are thrilled to announce that Early College experienced a remarkable 44% increase in registrations compared to last fall, with 150 high school students enrolling in classes offered both on campus and online.

Nursing

The Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) granted *Continued Accreditation* to the AS Registered Nurse program. The next accreditation visit is in Spring 2032.

The Nursing department is collaborating with the Helena Wins and K12 Partnerships Health Care Prospects event on October 22, 2024. HC's first-semester nursing students and faculty will have hands-on healthcare activities for the high school students.

Student Wellbeing and Engagement

Student Wellbeing and Engagement at Helena College has a new director, Katelynn Eberhardt. Katelynn has created a new resource document for students that includes community and college resources in food, housing, transportation, childcare, mental healthcare, physical healthcare, safety, and job seeking. This document has been distributed to faculty and advisors and is available on the HC website.

TRIO/MT 10/Accessibility Services:



MT10 is in the second year of a 2-year study by Manpower Demonstration Research Corporation (MDRC). MDRC was founded in 1974 on the notion that high-quality research and evidence can play a vital role in reducing poverty and inequity in the United States. We hold true to that vision today. A nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, MDRC conducts rigorous studies of programs and policies that affect people with low incomes, actively disseminates the lessons to policymakers and practitioners, and works directly with programs and agencies to help improve their effectiveness. MDRC was on the HC campus in early October, interviewing staff and students for a qualitative program assessment.