

DATE: October 22, 2025 TO: Board of Regents

FROM: Jane Karas, Ph.D., President, Flathead Valley Community College RE: Campus Report for the November 2025 Board of Regents' Meeting

- FVCC's Trades Institute hosted "Night of the Trades" in October when more than 130
 attendees explored hands-on sessions in high-demand fields such as welding, plumbing,
 construction, HVAC and CNC machining. Attendees participated in interactive sessions
 with FVCC instructors in small groups, connected with local employers who are actively
 hiring and learned about financial aid and advising options.
- FVCC's Nursing and Health Science departments hosted "Night at the Broussard" in October. They welcomed over 100 guests for a real-life health care simulation experience and open-house style visits with each program. Participants toured state-of-the-art labs and learned about careers in nursing, radiologic technology, medical assisting, paramedicine and more.
 - https://dailyinterlake.com/news/2025/oct/07/health-care-professions-on-display-at -fvcc-during-the-night-at-the-broussard/
- FVCC Career Services hosted a Healthcare and Human Services Mini Career Fair in October. The event featured over a dozen regional employers offering a wide range of opportunities from direct care roles like medical assistants, surgical technologists and certified nurse aides to industry support positions in IT, marketing and office administration.
 - https://nbcmontana.com/news/local/flathead-valley-community-college-to-host-ca reer-fair
- FVCC's Running Start program saw its highest number of students ever enroll to participate in fall semester classes. Over 900 high school juniors and seniors from more than 30 Montana high schools are earning FVCC college credit while still in high school this fall.
- The Wachholz College Center's Wanda Hollensteiner Art Gallery welcomed a new exhibition, "Montana Modernism," from the collection of Alex and Margene Berry. The show featured works by some of Montana's most important modernist artists including ceramicist David Shaner, expressionist painter Freeman Butts and sculptor Kate Hunt.
- Experience FVCC was held in October for prospective students to visit campus and learn about FVCC. Sixty-one students and parents attended.



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FVCC's Marketing Department earned seven recent awards from the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations community college professional organization in categories including Annual Report, Postcard, Poster, Outdoor Signage, Novelty, and Communication Success Story. FVCC President Jane Karas earned the organization's District 7 "2025 Pacesetter of the Year" award that recognizes community college leaders who demonstrate special leadership and support in college communications and marketing.

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