

2016-2017
Cochise College
Cochise County Community College District

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Introduction

Cochise College operates campuses in Sierra Vista and Douglas; centers in Benson, Willcox, Fort Huachuca, and the Arizona State Prison Complex, Douglas; and a Virtual Campus. It contracts with the Santa Cruz County Provisional Community College District to offer educational services there.

Major Accomplishments in 2016-2017

- The college made plans to pilot the use of open educational resources in order to provide students access to affordable course materials. The transition, intended to be exploratory and thoughtful, began with a few classes in spring 2017.
- The college began work on an enrollment management plan that will streamline processes and curriculum and help students achieve their academic goals efficiently.
- In 2016-2017, onlinecollegeplan.com ranked Cochise third among top online colleges, wallethub.com ranked the college the fourth best community college in the nation, and schools.com ranked Cochise the second best community college in Arizona.
- Cochise College student successes in 2016-2017 included participation in Archaeology Southwest's Preservation Archaeology Field School and undergraduate research community science projects and trips to Belize and Costa Rica.
- The women's basketball team advanced to the national tournament; two rodeo athletes placed in the top 11 at the national finals; the men's basketball team was 10th

in the nation academically; and the baseball team participated in post-season regional competition.

- Employee achievements included the induction of the athletic director into the NJCAA Hall of Fame, the inclusion of the dean of nursing and health sciences in Tucson's Fabulous 50 Nurses, and the participation of two faculty in the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development teaching and leadership program.
- The college foundation committed to a project to guarantee a scholarship to Cochise County high school graduating seniors and initiated an annual fundraising event to help raise funds and draw attention to the effort. The foundation also provided \$446,000 in scholarships and some \$300,000 in program and general college support.
- College outreach included a ceramics program for veterans and a youth arts festival, the 10th annual pit fire pottery festival, a grant-funded certificate program for non-profit managers, a high school welding competition, a Meet Your Major recruiting event, a cybersecurity event that exposed students to alumni and workplace professionals, and the second annual Cochise College Hall of Fame.

Major Issues & Resolutions in 2016-2017

- In August 2016, Cochise College renovated and opened the 92,000-square-foot Downtown Center in Sierra Vista. The former hospital building donated by The Legacy Foundation of Southeast Arizona is located between business and residential

neighborhoods and houses nursing and health sciences, culinary arts and electronics programs; the Center for Lifelong Learning and Small Business Development Center; and three community agencies.

- The college piloted a student success course for students whose placement tests indicate a structured start could be helpful, with plans to expand if it was well-received. The course helps new students develop study habits and navigate college.

Upcoming Issues for 2017-2018

- Cochise College is exploring the implementation of key aspects of guided pathways, a model that presents courses in the context of a roadmap for students to reach their goals, with built-in progress monitoring, feedback and support at each step along the way. The college is working with information technology consultants and restructuring personnel to provide efficient and effective service to students.
- The college will offer new or revised programs to meet local workforce needs. These include a new LPN to RN program, as well as upgraded programs in agriculture and building construction technology.
- The college will implement differential tuition for high-cost programs like aviation and healthcare. The institution also will restructure payment cycles for aviation students to help them more effectively plan their course of study.
- The college will continue to develop and seek funding for its effort to guarantee a scholarship to Cochise County high school graduating seniors as a means of enhancing the college going rate and attainment and reducing the rate of opportunity youth, those age 16 to 24 who are neither in school nor working.

Facts-at-a-Glance		
<u>Cochise College Enrollment FY 2016-2017</u>		
Annual FT Equivalent Student	6,645	
Annual Unduplicated Headcount	11,630	
Fall 2016 Headcount (credit)	4,213	
<u>By Full-time or Part-time</u> Fall 2016		
Full-time	1,673	40%
Part-time	2,540	60%
Total	4,213	100%
<u>By Gender</u> Fall 2016		
Female	2,248	53%
Male	1,965	47%
Total	4,213	100%
<u>By Residency Status</u> Fall 2016		
Resident	3,026	72%
Out-of-County	700	17%
Out-of-State	487	11%
Unknown	0	0%
Total	4,213	100%
<u>By Ethnic or Race Group</u> Fall 2016		
American Indian/Alaska Native	29	1%
Asian	75	2%
Black/African American	197	5%
Hispanic/Latino	1,939	46%
International	50	1%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pac Islander	20	0%
Not Specified	74	2%
Two or More	128	3%
White	1,701	40%
Total	4,213	100%
<u>Instructional Staff</u> Fall 2016		
Full-time Instructors	99	31%
Part-time Instructors	223	69%
Total	322	100%
<u>District Fund Sources FY2016-17</u>		
Tuition & Fees	\$6,068,885	
State Aid (incl. Equalization)	\$10,556,600	
Primary/Secondary Tax Levy	\$20,706,947	
Restricted Grants	\$9,125,478	
Bond Proceeds	\$0	
Other	\$2,194,277	
Fund Balance	\$5,048,510	
Total	\$53,700,697	
<u>District Expenditures FY 2016-17</u>		
General Fund	\$34,423,144	
Restricted Fund	\$11,745,314	
Auxiliary Fund	\$922,302	
Unexpended Plant Fund	\$3,593,893	
Retirement of Indebtedness	\$3,016,044	
Total	\$53,700,697	