

Chancellor's Message

This year, we celebrate the 40th anniversary of the formation of the Central Texas College District. In 1965 the citizens of Coryell and Bell County, Texas, voted in favor of establishing the district by a margin of nine to one. Since that time, our commitment to the mission of providing students with an accessible, affordable, quality education has taken us around the world.

By entering this institution, you have taken an important step in realizing your educational goals. The Board of Trustees, faculty and staff will do our best to ensure that your college experience is fulfilling, rewarding, and inspiring. Our faculty strives to provide quality instruction with individual attention while serving a culturally diverse and mobile student population. We all share a common commitment to the personal development of each student.

Central Texas College (CTC) continues to adapt to meet the needs of students, as illustrated by the explosive growth in distance learning. A few years ago, only a handful of CTC courses were offered online. Today, the college offers nearly 200 courses available online, via offline access and on CD-ROM. Students may choose from ten associate degrees and five certificates of completion offered entirely online. Much of the growth of distance learning reflects our commitment to servicemembers as they deploy throughout the world. We are also proud to serve deployed servicemembers on-site in locations like Afghanistan, Qatar and Kuwait through our European campus.

CTC constantly seeks improvement by building new facilities and upgrading existing structures. In 2003, we completed construction of a new \$8.5 million, 64,000 square foot Technology Complex & Planetarium. The largest building on CTC campus, the facility houses state-of-the classrooms, an operations center for distance learning, and the 184-seat Mayborn Planetarium and Space Theater that hosted over 40,000 visitors in its first year. Recent renovations in our Student Services area, designed to facilitate the enrollment process, will allow a one-stop shop for student advisement, registration and payment of fees.

CTC is evolving and expanding its role to meet the changing needs of the local, national and military communities. We are honored by your choice of Central Texas College to pursue your education and the trust you placed in us by allowing us to help you achieve your goals. On behalf of the institution, I pledge that we will continue to work hard and do our best to provide you with the highest quality possible education.

Thank you,


James R. Anderson, Ph. D.
Chancellor

