

Mission Statement

Somerset Community College, located in south-central Kentucky, is a comprehensive community and technical college with a mission to provide quality, affordable, and accessible educational and training opportunities that address the needs of its district. The College offers students educational experiences and associated services through traditional campus-based and distance learning modalities that promote intellectual curiosity and lifelong learning and encourage aesthetic awareness and social responsibility.

Somerset Community College will provide:

- Academic, general education, and technical curricula leading to certificates, diplomas and associate degrees;
- A general academic curriculum of university-parallel courses and programs meeting requirements of the first two years of a baccalaureate degree;
- Technical and occupational curricula designed to meet current and future workforce needs;
- A comprehensive program of remedial and developmental education;
- Customized training to meet the changing needs of business and industry;
- Adult and continuing education; and
- Associated services including, but not limited to, library services, cultural and enrichment opportunities, information technology resources, and appropriate student support services.

Somerset Community College Revised Mission Statement

Keywords

1. Quality
2. Affordability
3. Accessibility
4. Campus-Based
5. Distance Learning
6. Intellectual Curiosity
7. Aesthetic Awareness
8. Social Responsibility
9. Academic Curricula
10. General Education Curricula
11. Technical and Occupational Curricula
12. Remedial and Developmental Education
13. Customized Training
14. Adult and Continuing Education
15. Library Services
16. Cultural/Enrichment Opportunities
17. Information Technology
18. Student Support

Somerset Community College
2002-2003 Annual College Planning Initiatives

<u>Priority</u>	<u>Initiative</u>	<u>Performance Indicator</u>
PI-1	<u>Equitable Workload Policy</u> 80% of SCC faculty and staff will agree that the college has implemented an equitable workload policy by June 2003.	Campus Climate Survey
PI-2	<u>SACS Substantive Change Approval</u> SCC will receive approval of its substantive change by the SACS COC Team with three or fewer recommendations by December 2002.	SACS Report
PI-3	<u>Improved Campus Climate</u> 80% of SCC employees will agree they are satisfied with faculty and staff morale as indicated on a Spring 2003 Campus Climate Survey.	Campus Climate Survey
PI-4	<u>Enrollment Growth</u> SCC will increase enrollment by 2% for the 2002-2003 school year.	Enrollment Report
PI-5	<u>Flexible Scheduling</u> SCC will increase the number of course offerings through flexible scheduling by 5% during the 2002-2003 academic year.	SCC Course Bulletin
PI-6	<u>Retention</u> SCC will develop and implement a Student Success Plan that increases one-year retention by 10% by July 2003.	Retention Rate Report
PI-7	<u>Increased Scholarships</u> SCC will increase scholarship funding by 10% for the 2002-2003 academic year.	Scholarship Fund Report
PI-8	<u>Student Success Rate</u> SCC degree-seeking students will graduate at a rate 5% higher than for the previous academic year by June 2003.	IPEDS Graduation Rate Report

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Somerset Community & Technical College District
5-Year Strategic Objectives

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Strategic Objectives</u>
	<u>Academic Excellence</u>
SO-1	Stimulate and maintain academic distinction by annual review of program and course offerings to ensure that SCTCD provides seamless transfer and terminal programs that are relevant, affordable and accountable.
	<u>Student Success</u>
SO-2	Increase enrollment by 20% by 2005 by enhancing access and retention, maximizing student financial resources, and providing quality services in order to meet educational needs.
	<u>Consolidation</u>
SO-3	Implement consolidation of functions, services and programs of Laurel Technical College, Somerset Community College and Somerset Technical College to establish a comprehensive district by 2003.
	<u>Public Awareness</u>
SO-4	SCC will increase enrollment by 2% for the 2002-2003 school year.
	<u>Community Education</u>
SO-5	By 2005, increase the number of participants served through community education and services by 20% by identifying community educational and cultural needs and playing a leadership role in responding to those needs through an emphasis on lifelong learning and educational enrichment.
	<u>Workforce Development</u>
SO-6	Increase the number of participants in workforce development programs at least 20% by December 2005.
	<u>Human Resources</u>
SO-7	Implement programs and activities that promote the intellectual growth and well being of faculty and staff with a resulting 10% increase in the employee satisfaction rate by 2005.
	<u>Physical Resources</u>
SO-8	Plan and complete five construction projects and all associated landscaping, renovation, and retrofitting projects as part of a consolidated district campus master plan by 2005.
	<u>Fiscal Resources</u>
SO-9	By 2005, increase expendable budget income by 8% annually and demonstrate effective and efficient use.
	<u>Information Technology</u>
SO-10	Provide appropriate information technology resources and support for faculty, staff and students.