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2019-2020 Accomplishments

• 16% of first-time students attempted 15+ units in their first term, compared to 9% of first-time students in Fall 2015.
• All first-time students in 2019-20 completed a Comprehensive Student Education Plan (CSEP) prior to starting their first semester, which mapped out each student’s pathway based on completion of 15 units per semester, 30 units per year, and transfer-level English and Math in their first year.
• Doubled the number of first-time students completing transfer-level English and Math in their first year from 3% in Fall 2015 to 6.3% in Fall 2019.
• 30 % increase in the number of Early College Enrollments (Dual + Concurrent) at BC from 2019 to 2020
• 23 % increase in the number of Dual Enrollment sections at BC from 2019 to 2020
• Offering Early College Courses at 36 high schools including two new private high schools – Bakersfield Christian High School and Garces Memorial High School
• 17 % increase in the number of First-time African American enrolling at BC from 2019 to 2020
• Hosted a series of community conversations between Bakersfield College, Danny Morrison Media, and the Bakersfield Police Department in response to the Murder of George Floyd - #LightACandle: A Juneteenth Conversation