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BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE
1913 — 2013
The Infrastructure of Higher Education-The incorporation of the Kern Community College District (KCCD) in 1968 brought an expanded service area that included Bakersfield, eastern Kern County, Porterville College, and northern Kern County areas. This new tax revenue area brought a new and vibrant interest in higher education in the communities between Bakersfield College and Porterville College.
“[The] idea for establishing a junior college branch in Delano was suggested by Ralph Carpenter at a year-end session of the Delano Economic Expansion Project (DEEP) board of directors in 1971.”

Gary Girard, Delano Record, July 1976.
“Dr. Clifford Loader, seven-term mayor and civic leader of Delano was having a post-football snack with the Ralph Carpenter in October 1971. When Carpenter brought up the subject of things that Delano needed to grow and prosper, Carpenter brought out a sheet of items which he called the “Ten Most Wanted” list. Number one was a Junior College”

Ralph Carpenter, “The Junior College at Delano” (1974)
Community Leadership
Ralph & Jan Carpenter
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Community Leadership - Jan and Ralph Carpenter
“Delano High had a small continuation school called the ‘Small High School’ just east of the football stadium. Plans had been discussed to build a new continuation school campus remote from the regular classroom buildings. Dr. Dyer took an active part in implementing this plan, and with the approval of the High School Trustees, agreed to have the new campus constructed in time to allow the college to use the building of the old small high school.”

Ralph Carpenter, “The Junior College at Delano” (1974)
Campus Leadership
Founding Director- Dr. Don Krischak (1972-1976)
Community Support - Early Years
The Teachers – Susan Foote
Chicano History
(1972-1973)
Professor Emeritus of Public Health
University of Minnesota
The Teachers - Jose Canto
(1970s)
The Teachers- Severo Garcia
Spanish & Music (1970s)
Community Outreach-
Mobile Outreach to rural Kern and Tulare (early 1970s)
In the classroom (1970s)- Teachers & Students
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In the classroom
“The strong family-centered culture of the Mexican-American is such that the young adult is not as readily inclined to leave home after high school and strike out on his own. Many high school graduates, unable to afford travel to college, had been forced into the grape fields and abandoned any hope for college education. The opening of the college center has given new hope to hundreds of economically deprived young Mexican American adults who now are becoming aware that maybe college is for them too.”

Frank Herrera, Delano Mayor (1974)
Planning a Campus of Our Own-
The Delano College Foundation reviews Randolph street plans (1976)
Dr. Don Krischak with President John Collins discussing Delano Center plans for Randolph Street location (1976)
Delano Center Randolph Street model (1976)
Campus Leadership
Director- Dr. Jesus “Jess” Gilberto Nieto (1976-1983)
Delano College Advising Unit (1979)
Delano Center Entrance at Randolph Street (1976)
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Opening Day-
Delano Center
Randolph Street
Campus (1976)
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Randolph Street Campus (1976)
A Campus of Our Own
Opening Day-
Delano Center
Randolph Street Campus
(1976)
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Delano Center
Staff-
Interim Director
Pat Shaffer (left)

Today

TODAY

Future

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Delano Center Staff at Randolph Campus
Delano Center
Director Dr. Jess Nieto
In the classroom-
Professor Ruben Fernandez teaching Chicano History
A History of Innovation & Curriculum Development - Delano Center Director Dr. Jesus Nieto on site in Teotihuacan, Mexico, as part of a National Endowment for the Humanities project on Chicano History (late 1970s)
A College Experience - Delano Center
Director Dr. Jess Nieto arranges United States Ambassador to Mexico Dr. Julian Nava to visit Delano students (1980)
A College Experience-
Mexican-Chicano Folk Music Legend
*Lalo Guerrero* Performs in Delano Classroom
(early 1980s)
Past

Delano Center staff (1980s)

Today

Future
The Children of Delano-
The Bakersfield College Delano Campus Child Development Center
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Delano Center
Director Pat Shaffer
Campus Leadership-
Delano Center
Director-
Nan Gomez-Hietzeburg
Nan Gomez Hietzeburg with Interim Kern Community College Chancellor and Former Bakersfield College President John Collins reviewing the Delano Campus (mid-1980s)
25th Anniversary of the BC Delano Center
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2004 Staff Party
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2005 DST Ground Breaking
2005 DST Ground Breaking
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2005 DST Building Dedication
2005 DST Building Dedication
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2005 Staff
2005 Scholarship Ceremony
PAST

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2005 Scholarship Ceremony
2006 RFK Ground Breaking
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2010 Relay for life
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2010 Foundation Scholarships
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2010 ESL Summit
2010 Delano Winter Party
2011 BC Graduation
2011 BC Graduation