



Dear Students,

Whether you are a returning student or attending for the first time, I welcome you to Mississippi Delta Community College. As students once again fill the hallways, walkways, and classrooms of campus for the start of a new academic year, I can feel the Trojan spirit at its strongest. Your journey at MDCC stretches far beyond the classroom. While you're here, you'll be exposed to new ideas and meet people with experiences, viewpoints, and backgrounds that may differ from your own. We hope you embrace the opportunities this presents and view each new engagement and conversation as a way to learn and grow.

MDCC provides various services and programs to ensure your academic, career-technical, and health science pursuits. Below, you are introduced to a few of our cornerstone services that will help make your time at MDCC a success.

Center of Learning/Student Success: This service provides a wide range of student support services to meet your needs. The center's primary responsibility is to help you be successful in your pursuit of a degree or college credential. Operation hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Center of Learning/Student Success is located in the Stanny-Sanders Library on the Moorhead campus.

Library Services: The library hosts an array of print and media resources to support the College's academic and technical mission and provides students, faculty, and staff with reference and research assistance. Computers are available for use. Operation hours are Monday through Wednesday from 7:30 am to 9:00 pm and Thursday from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm. For more information, please visit the Library web page at <https://www.msdelta.edu/library/index.php>

Counseling and Disability Services: MDCC offers you academic, career, and personal counseling to help eliminate barriers to your academic success. Counselors are available on all campuses Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm - Nakeshia Fipps (Moorhead

Campus), Pamela Venton (Greenville Center), and Katie Jones (Greenwood Center). After hours, students are encouraged to use the Crisis Text Line by texting HOME to 741741 to connect with a live, trained crisis counselor. For more information, please visit the Counseling and Disability Support Services web page at <https://msdelta.edu/counseling/index.php>

Students needing special accommodations in the classroom and other areas of the college should complete an application, provide the appropriate documentation, and return all information to Nakeshia Fipps (Moorhead Campus), Pamela Venton (Greenville Center), or Katie Jones (Greenwood Center). For questions, students should contact Nakeshia Fipps, associate dean of student services at 662-246-6361 or at adacompliance@msdelta.edu. A link to the application has been provided below. <https://www.msdelta.edu/civil-rights/docs/disability-request-form.pdf>

Financial Aid: MDCC offers a comprehensive financial assistance program to assist you in obtaining a college education. The financial aid office is located in the Boggs-Scroggins Enrollment Services Center on the Moorhead campus. The financial aid staff can be contacted at (662) 246-6263 or online at <https://www.msdelta.edu/paying-for-college/financial-aid/index.php>

Information Technology: *Do you need to activate your MyDelta account or reset your password?* The Office of Information Technology at MDCC is a high-performance, cohesive team whose purpose is to provide technology excellence that advances learning, teaching, research, and student development with the College's mission, goals and policies in the forefront. Should you experience technical difficulties with MyDelta, Student Email, Office 365, etc., and the FAQs do not solve your issue, please contact the Help Desk at 662-246-6330 or by emailing it@msdelta.edu. Operation hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. To learn more, visit <https://www.msdelta.edu/information-technology/index.php>

Trojan Shield Bookstore: The bookstore is currently located on the first floor of Tanner Hall and provide textbooks and related instructional supplies, a variety of collegiate clothing and products along with a gift shop. The hours of operation are Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm on the Moorhead Campus. During the first two weeks of the semester, the bookstore has extended hours of operation from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The Greenville Center bookstore is temporarily closed. For assistance, please contact the bookstore at 662-246-6446 or visit online at <https://www.msdelta.edu/paying-for-college/business-services/bookstore.php>.

Trojan Stockade: The Trojan Stockade is a food pantry available to all MDCC students to assist with food insecurity. It is stocked with various food items as well as hygiene products and more. The pantry is located at the southeast corner of the Stanny-Sanders Library. The Trojan Stockade will re-open on **September 6**. The hours of operation are Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. All students must complete an application before using the pantry and present a valid MDCC student ID when visiting. More information related to the Trojan Stockade delivery option will be provided on the MDCC website soon. In the meantime, students who reside in the residence halls and desires to have items delivered should send an email including your name, student ID number, and contact information to trojanstockade@msdelta.edu. A link to the Trojan Stockade application is provided below:
https://msdelta.formstack.com/forms/food_pantry_application

Campus Safety: To report an emergency, call the Campus Police Emergency Line at (662) 246-8011. A student who desires to remain anonymous can report an incident on the grounds of good faith. For more information, please visit the link below. <https://www.msdelta.edu/campus-safety/index.php>

Title IX: MDCC is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy educational and work environment in which no member of the College community is, on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity, excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in any College program or activity. Gender-based and sexual harassment, including sexual violence, are forms of sex discrimination in that they deny or limit an individual's ability to participate in or benefit from College programs or activities. MDCC has procedures in place designed to ensure a safe and non-discriminatory educational and work environment. To learn more, visit <https://www.msdelta.edu/student-life/title-ix.php>

To report any sexual misconduct that occurs at MDCC, please contact the Office of Student Services at (662) 246-6445 or titleIX@msdelta.edu.

Student Complaints: Instructional and non-instructional complaints (i.e., academic, cafeteria, housing, safety, Title IX, etc.) can also be reported by clicking the link below, scrolling down the page, and selecting the Student Complaint Form. <https://www.msdelta.edu/student-life/office-of-student-services.php>

COVID-19: Custodial Services is constantly sanitizing daily at all facilities in an effort to minimize the spread of COVID-19 at MDCC. Students who experience symptoms of COVID-19, or test positive for COVID-19, should report same to the Office of Student Services immediately. We will also be providing opportunities for students at all campuses to be administered the COVID-19 vaccine. For more information, call the Office of Student Services at (662) 246-6445 or email Nakeshia Fipps, associate dean of student services at nfipps@msdelta.edu.

Over the past few months, the Division of Student Services has undergone a restructuring as we work to move the needle from good to great. Currently, a nationwide search is underway to select the College's next dean of student services. We sincerely thank former Dean of Student Services, Derrick Fields, for his many years of service to the College and wish him the very best in his future endeavors. Other personnel changes include the following:

- **Nakeshia Fipps**, former counseling and disability support services coordinator, has been promoted to associate dean of student services with direct responsibility for counseling and disability services, student development, student activities and recreation, and student organizations.
- A new chief of police has been named. **Markricus Hibbler** comes to MDCC from the Delta State University Police Department and has over 20 years of law enforcement experience.
- **Kameron Haymon** joins the division as coordinator of student activities and recreation. Mr. Haymon comes to MDCC from Coahoma County School District.

- **Rosalyn Tucker**, former administrative assistant at the college's Greenville Higher Education Center, now serves as the administrative assistant for the Office of Student Services.
- Students residing in the residence halls will also be greeted by new faces - resident assistants (RAs) – who are eager to meet you! These students have undergone extensive training to prepare them to assist you with your student housing needs and to help create the optimal student housing experience.

Last, but certainly not least, get ready for an exciting campus life experience as we kick off the fall semester with several fun activities.

- **Welcome Week** is sure to bring excitement as we surf into the semester with our Hawaiian/island theme of events held Monday, August 15 through Thursday, August 18. The event schedule can be found here: <https://www.msdelta.edu/student-life/welcome-week.php>
- **Homecoming** is quickly approaching and there is not a better time to be a Trojan! This year's theme is Mardi Gras Magic. The homecoming committee has developed an exciting schedule of events leading up to the game on Thursday, September 29 against Itawamba Community College. Mark your calendars and *laissez les bons temps rouler* – **LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL!!!** For more information, visit online at <https://www.msdelta.edu/homecoming/>

On behalf of the Division of Administrative and Student Services, I wish you a very successful semester. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (662) 246-6304 or via email at sjones@msdelta.edu. You can also contact the Office of Student Services at (662) 246-6445. I look forward to seeing you on campus.

Go Trojans!

Sincerely,

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