TRANSFORM THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE.

· ACC CASTLE ROCK CAMPUS PILOTS JOINT OPEN HOUSE / NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION.  
The Castle Rock Campus piloted a joint Open House/New Student Orientation on August 13, 2015 which was well received by students and parents in attendance.

1. The Open House was to provide a casual environment for prospective and newly admitted ACC students to learn about student services available to them. Representatives from Academic Advising, Financial Aid, Career Services, Disability Services, Registration & Records, Library Services, Student Recruitment and Student Life were on Campus to talk with students. Twenty-five (25) students along with some parents participated in the Open House.

2. The New Student Orientation (NSO) was arranged to have Academic Advisors and staff available to help students register for their fall classes. Forty-three (43) students and a few parents attended NSO.

Castle Rock Campus alone gained 25 registrations from the event and many of the participants are also taking classes at the Littleton, Parker and Online Campuses. There are plans are to hold a similar event prior to the beginning of the Spring semester.

· NEW PLACEMENT TEST STUDENT TRIALS HELD. On Wednesday, August 19th, ACC hosted the Student Trials for the new Community College Placement Test “CCPT”. Eighteen (18) students representing ACC, CCD, RRCC and PPCC attended. Each student was able to take the English and Math portion of the new assessment. After testing they provided feedback to CCCS representatives regarding their experience. Students were provided placement information and the majority used their scores to take classes this fall. The test operated well and the test vendor was able to make on the spot adjustments to the exam. Students remarked they liked the new test and preferred it over the current Accuplacer product currently in use. The trials also provided a hands on experience for other testing staff from our system who attended.

TRANSFORM OUR OWN WORKFORCE EXPERIENCE.

· COLLEGE DIVERSITY & INCLUSIVITY PROJECT. Dr. Brenda Allen, author of *Difference Matters: Communicating Social Identity*, addressed the college during an all campus meeting held on August 18. During her presentation, she highlighted the great work that
was being done at ACC and challenged the college to continue “cultivating a community of integrity and inclusion”.

· **CAMPUSSAFETY PRESENTATIONS.** A campus safety presentation was given by Chief Joe Morris to thirty (30) new full time employees and thirty-nine (39) new faculty and adjunct instructors. Topics included in the training were:

  - Services provided by the police department
  - Overview of crime on campus
  - ACC emergency notification system
  - Method for reporting concerning behavior
  - Evacuation & shelter in place procedures
  - Personal Safety
  - Overview of the emergency plan and responsibilities

**CREATE EDUCATION WITHOUT BARRIERS THROUGH TRANSFORMATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS.**

· **GM DONATES CADILLAC CTS, CHEVY CRUZE TO ACC AUTO TECH PROGRAM.** General Motors has donated a 2014 Cadillac CTS and a 2014 Chevrolet Cruze to the Arapahoe Community College Automotive Technology Program.

**REDEFINE OUR VALUE PROPOSITION THROUGH ACCESSIBILITY, AFFORDABILITY, QUALITY, ACCOUNTABILITY, RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, AND OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE.**

· **AFFORDABLE ARTS FESTIVAL BENEFITS ACC FOUNDATION.** The 4th Annual Affordable Arts Festival was held on Sunday, August 30 at the ACC Littleton Campus. This juried show featured over 140 professional artists representing over 14 states who offered their art priced at $100 or less. Mediums include oils, watercolor, pastel, jewelry, pottery, glass and more. The small admission fee benefits ACC Foundation activities including student scholarships.

**OTHER NEWS**

· No Reportable Activities