

LACKAWANNA COLLEGE STRATEGIC PLAN 2011-2014

Mission

Lackawanna College Board members, faculty and staff have reaffirmed their commitment to the existing institutional mission:

Lackawanna College is an accredited, private, non-profit educational institution providing opportunities for career and personal development within selected associate degree, certificate and continuing education programs.

Committed to an open admissions policy, Lackawanna College distinguishes itself by offering higher education opportunities to all persons who seek to improve their lives regardless of their socio-economic status, past achievements, gender, national origin, age, race, color or creed. In doing so, the College recognizes its responsibility to maintain a comprehensive program of services to support students aspiring to transfer to four-year institutions, seek employment, upgrade their job-skills or develop professionally.

With an emphasis on academic excellence, Lackawanna College introduces its students to bodies of knowledge and career/life skills that will help them to live, learn and work in an informed society. Students can expect to improve their ability to learn effectively, seek and gather information, communicate both orally and in writing, apply computer technology, work interdependently, gain practical work experience, think critically, make informed decisions, solve problems, become self-directed, understand the need for community service, and appreciate the historical, political, economic, scientific, social and culturally diverse contexts of the world in which they live.

Vision

LC's vision is to become a nationally recognized, premiere two-year open enrollment college of choice.

Core Values:

- 1.) Commitment to remaining a two-year, open enrollment college, with certain exceptions based upon accreditation and specific academic requirements of competitive programs.
- 2.) Commitment to Developmental Education
- 3.) Commitment to active partnerships with our regional community, including other educational institutions, businesses, and non-profit agencies
- 4.) Commitment to curriculum transferability with private and public institutions

Goal 1: To promote the healthy and strategic growth of the institution reflective of mission.

Goal 2: To provide educational pathways to students of all ability levels and with varied career aspirations.

Goal 3: Commitment to ongoing academic excellence

Goal 4: Commitment to long range fiscal and strategic planning at both the institutional and departmental level.

Goal 5: Commitment to and celebration of lifelong learning.