

## **Student Activities**

The educational development of students requires many activities in addition to classroom instruction. Central Alabama Community College offers many opportunities for a variety of extracurricular activities. Student activities are supported by funds allocated from general fees. The College encourages and supports the participation of students in all extracurricular activities. Social functions such as dances, parties, activities, or other entertainment must be sponsored by officially recognized College organizations. College facilities will be made available to organizations for such activities when possible. Approval for activities should follow normal approval procedures (see Procedures for Approval of Campus Activities). Any student who brings a guest or visitor to the campus or any College-sponsored activity will be responsible for the conduct of the guest or visitor.

### **GENERAL POLICIES FOR CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Campus organizations shall be open to all students without respect to race, creed, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, or disability. All clubs and organizations must conform to the laws and policies of the State of Alabama, the Alabama Community College Board of Trustees, Central Alabama Community College, and the Student Government Association.

No club or organization shall interfere or support interference with the regular academic pursuit of any student. No club or organization shall cause or encourage non-attendance of classes for campus activities without prior consent of proper College officials. No club or organization will encourage any action that might cause disrepute to a student, instructor, or College activity.

#### ***Athletics***

Central Alabama Community College participates in varsity competition in baseball, softball, women's tennis, and men's golf. The College is a member of the Alabama Community College Conference and the National Junior College Athletic Association. Central Alabama competes against other members of the conference, other Alabama community colleges, and junior colleges from other states.

#### ***Jazz Ensemble***

The Jazz Ensemble provides an avenue for students to begin or continue their study of the jazz idiom through performance of big band jazz. The ensemble performs concerts both on and off campus throughout the academic year and represents the College at numerous community events. All interested students are encouraged to contact the music instructor to arrange an audition and to seek further information.

### ***Show Choir***

The Show Choir explores a wide range of music throughout the year in a program that combines music and movement. The Show Choir performs on and off campus throughout the academic year at community and school events.

## **HONORS AND RECOGNITION**

### ***National Technical Honor Society***

This organization is a national society for recognizing superior academic and lab performance in technical programs. Students achieving a superior level of performance are invited to join. Consideration for membership includes grade point average, program of study, credit hours, and recommendation of faculty.

### ***Phi Theta Kappa***

This society is the international two-year college organization, which honors academic excellence among two-year college students. Students with outstanding academic records are invited to become members. To be eligible for membership: one must have completed at least 12 hours of coursework that may be applied to an associate degree; must have the required grade point average; must receive an invitation to membership from the chapter at the College, and must adhere to the moral standards of the society. There is a membership fee to join.

### ***Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges***

Students are selected by faculty and administrators based on academic achievement, community service, and leadership. The names of honorees are included in the national organization publication, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

## **CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS**

### ***Ambassadors***

Central Alabama Ambassadors are students who serve as hosts and hostesses for the College. These students, who are selected through an application and interview process, assist various educational, community, service and corporate entities as a goodwill gesture on behalf of the College. Students may receive a scholarship based on their service.

### ***AWS (American Welding Society)***

AWS is a multi-faceted, non-profit organization whose major goal is advancing the science, technology, and application of welding and related joint disciplines. AWS has led the way in supporting welding education and technology development to ensure a strong, competitive, and comfortable way of life for America and its people. Membership included a subscription to the Welding Journal, the most current welding handbook, discounts on AWS technical publications and educational programs, membership in a local AWS Section, membership certificate, card and insignia, electronic forums, and computer-based research.

### ***Baptist Campus Ministries***

This religious organization provides opportunity for Christian fellowship. Students of all denominations are welcome.

### ***Bass Fishing Club***

The Bass Fishing Club is a student organization for collegiate anglers that wish to participate in intercollegiate bass fishing tournaments. Members participate in local, state, regional, and national tournaments.

### ***Circle K***

Circle K is a service organization sponsored by Kiwanis International. Circle K clubs on college and university campuses provide students with opportunities to participate in organized volunteer activities. Results of joining together to perform service in a Circle K club include fellowship and the opportunity to develop leadership skills. There is a membership fee to join.

### ***Coosa Valley Association of Nursing Students and Licensed Practical Nursing Association of Alabama-Student Organization***

The associate degree nursing students and the practical nursing students' organizations offer nursing students the opportunity to participate in activities that are related to health care.

The National Student Nurses' Association mentors the professional development of future registered nurses and facilitates their entrance into the profession by providing educational resources, leadership opportunities, and career guidance. The local organization participates in several community service projects and charitable drives.

The Licensed Practical Nursing Association of Alabama Student Organization is the student organization of the Practical Nursing program. Students become members of the State Association, have the opportunity to attend the annual State Convention, and participate in various community health-related projects.

### ***Cultural Unity Organization***

This organization works to recognize and encourage leadership, service, and character. Its purpose is to encourage and foster unity among all students enrolled at the College. Recruitment programs and activities are held throughout the year.

### ***Fellowship of Christian Athletes***

The purpose of FCA is to present Christian faith as a way of life to athletes, coaches, and those influenced by them.

### ***Scholars Bowl***

The purpose of the Scholars' Bowl Team shall be to represent Central Alabama Community College in college bowl competitions held by the Alabama College Bowl League and other colleges and universities across the Southeast. The Scholars' Bowl Team will also help facilitate competitions sponsored by the Childersburg Campus among high schools in the East Alabama region.

### ***Student Government Association***

The Student Government Association (SGA) has a major role in all phases of the extracurricular program and represents the student body in all matters of concern to students. This association operates under a constitution drawn up by the students. On the Alexander City campus, there are four executive officers. The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer are elected in the spring of each year to serve in the following academic year. On the Childersburg campus and at the Talladega site, there are three executive officers elected yearly and an indeterminate number of senators. A full-time student with a 2.0 overall average may become a senator by completing 15 signatory petitions. The officers must maintain a 2.5 overall average and attend the College.