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Three Rivers Physical Therapy Assistant Program

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For those of you that are interested in Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) training, whether you are preparing to graduate high school this spring or have graduated during previously years and are hoping to return to school, should act now—and fast! The deadline for this program is February 15th.

Three Rivers College is offering a two part education for PTAs that will only take two years to complete. Three Rivers has teamed up with the Missouri Health Professions Consortium along with Linn State Technical College to make this program a great success. The program takes place in Poplar Bluff, where the students enrolled there at Three Rivers College will have the chance to complete their general studies courses during their first year in the PTA program (the general studies portion is also referred to part one of two of the program).

To be officially finished with part one of the program, general education classes must be completed and the required medical and health classes must be passed and completed also. When the general studies requirements are met, the enrolled students of the program will continue into their second year at Three Rivers to complete the second phase before moving onto their bright future.

The second year will include the lecture courses that are needed to be a PTA. The lectures will be obtained by the enrolled students from Linn State Technical College through interactive television feed or ITV classes. Not all classes will be taken through ITV courses, the program also includes hands-on labs and clinical practice that will take place

on the Three Rivers campus. It is important for the PTA students to get familiar and to get the practice they need in a secure and supervised fashion.

Physical therapy is a job that has had an exploding growth rate over the past couple of years. Due to the baby boomers getting up in age, both physical therapists and PTAs are needed. Missouri, along with many other states across the nation, does not have a high percentage of PTAs or Physical Therapists, causing a large opening of jobs and opportunities for the students or graduates wishing to head into this field. Aside from the baby boomers, there are also many other people who need physical therapy due to sport injuries or slow recoveries from many other injuries. Missouri has not been able to meet the needs for the PTAs or Physical Therapists, but the combination of both Three Rivers College and Linn State have produced a very successful program to help with the high demand.

Three Rivers had the space and the general studies classes set up and ready to go but they knew that they needed an extra helping hand if they were to start up and succeed in a Physical Therapist Assistant program. Linn State has been running a flourishing PTA program for a fairly large number of years and they are one of few community colleges that offer a PTA program for their students. Their PTA program has received a passing rate of 94% on the state board exams and holds a very high job placement for their graduates. It was an obvious choice when the two colleges shook hands and agreed to work together to produce an even bigger and better program for their current and future students.

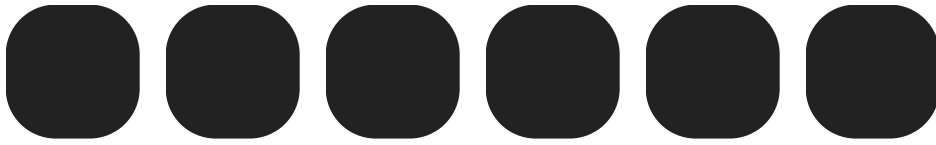
Three Rivers and their partners in their PTA program are currently accepting applications for the class of 2013. The program is only accepting twelve to fourteen students who will attend Three Rivers College in the fall semester of 2013 and will start part one of the PTA program by enrolling in the general studies classes. If you wish to attend this program in the fall, you must meet the following requirements when you apply: a minimum ACT score of 18, a written essay, recommendations, completing 40 hours of physical therapy observations (in two different locations), and attending an information session. The next informational session will take place on February 20th.

For more information, you can visit linnstate.edu or trcc.edu.

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Three Rivers Announces New Nursing Scholarship

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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - With the school year and its students halfway into the third quarter, seniors of the 2013 class are both applying to colleges and applying for scholarships. This year, Three Rivers College is proudly announcing that they have created a new scholarship for this year's seniors planning on attending Three Rivers in Poplar Bluff.

As the medical and healthcare field is growing rapidly, Missouri and the other states have a high demand for nurses and other medical field workers. Three Rivers has created their new scholarship as an opportunity for incoming freshmen of the 2013 fall semester to help any graduate from Malden High School or any other high school a part of Dunklin County Schools that have decided to become registered nurses.

The scholarship has officially been named the Florina Carlstrom Memorial Scholarship after Mrs. Carlstrom and a large donation from the Carlstrom's estate. This donation will help provide funding and tuition for participants from Malden that are intending on taking classes or participating in Nursing and Allied Health Program at Three Rivers.

Florina Carlstrom isn't new to the medical business. In fact, she has had a major role in Southeast Missouri's health care and began her work decades ago after marrying Dr. Graydon Carlstrom in the mid 1930's. Mr. Carlstrom passed in the 1950's, when Mrs. Carlstrom decided to become a nurse after working side by side with her husband as a bookkeeper, nurse, and office assistant.

Mrs. Carlstrom was accepted into a nursing program in Poplar Bluff and received her LPN and spent many more years in Southeast Missouri, working in the healthcare industry and medical field. Among Mrs. Calstrom's many successes in her career, she also participated as a member on the State Board of Nursing and in the Missouri State Ombudsman Program. Mrs. Calstrom died in on September 7th of 1996 in Malden after a long life of pursuing her dreams in the medical field.

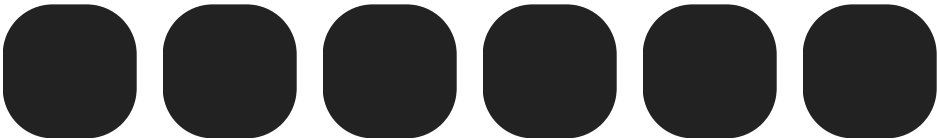
Any student or graduate from Malden High School or Dunklin County Schools that is wishing to apply for the Florina Carlstrom Memorial Scholarship can contact Malden High School's counselor's office at 573-276-5794 or call the Three Rivers' Financial Aid Office at 573-840-9606. For more information on the nursing and health programs being offered at Three Rivers in the 2013 fall semester, you can visit trcc.edu.

The Three Rivers Endowment Trust received Mrs. Calstrom's donation and is using the scholarship to further the education of current and future students wishing to attend Three Rivers College. The Endowment Trust provides support for both students, businesses, and the school itself. To donate to the college's projects, scholarships, or other needs, contact the Endowment Trust Executive Director Emily Parks at 573-840-9077.

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Lauren Dudley Named to the Chancellor's List

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Dexter, Missouri – More than 2,100 students have been named to the Chancellor's and Deans' list for the fall 2012 semester at Arkansas State University.

These two lists recognize students who achieved the highest grade point averages while enrolled in 12 or more credit hours of study.

The Chancellor's List includes students who earned a grade point average of 3.80 to 4.0 for the semester.

Dexter has a very fine student who graduated in 2012 who is honored to be on that list. Congratulations to Lauren Dudley!

Lauren earned a straight 4.0 in her first semester. She is currently a freshmen at ASU-Jonesboro.

Lauren is studying music and just started her second semester at ASU. She is extremely active in the ASU Marching Band, she performed at the GoDaddy.com Bowl half-time show on January 6, 2013, and is plays an active role in the ASU Jazz Ensemble. She has mastered Baritone Saxophone as her instrument of choice.

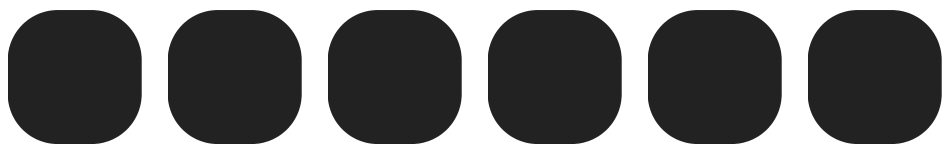
She is a very talented young musician.

The Dexter community is honored by your accomplishment!

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Former Dexter Student Named to Chancellor's List

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Dexter, Missouri - It's an honor to make the Dean's List, but it is even a greater achievement to make the Chancellor's List in college.

With more than 2,100 students being named for the fall 2012 semester at Arkansas State University, Brandon Moore, was grateful he made the prestigious academic list.

It is a great honor to make the Chancellor's List. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.80 to 4.0 for the semester. This is Brandon's first semester at ASU. He recently graduated from Dexter High School in 2012.

Brandon is not only studying music at ASU, but he also composes music. He wrote a few selections for the Dexter Jazz Cats while attending high school.

Brandon was recently featured in the ShowMe Times with his brother, Tim Moore as they perform each Thursday evening in a "Jazz Concert". He is very active in the ASU Marching Band and Jazz Ensemble. He recently participated at the half-time show at the GoDaddy.com Bowl on January 6, 2013. His primary instrument is the saxophone; however he has mastered several different musical instruments.

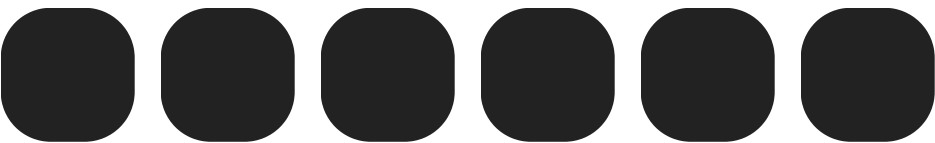
Brandon is a very talented young musician and we will see more accolades in the very near future.

The Dexter community is proud of you!

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Dexter Senior High Activities; February 4 - 8

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Dexter Senior High School- This listing of activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with the Dexter Public Schools for your convenience.

The ShowMe Times would like to encourage all of our readers to support our local school system. The education and growth of young people in our community is important to everyone's future.

We would like everyone to join us as we encourage these young students in their pursuits.

So lets get involved by supporting the events at our schools.

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