

Vernon College



the Chap

Increasing the quality of your education both in the classroom and through the services we provide. Do your part and become engaged in your college experience!



New Technology

Vernon College utilizes technology in many ways to assist you both in and out of the classroom. The following are a few examples:

- Clickers— many courses such as algebra and Spanish are using clickers to engage and motivate you in the classroom.
- Wimba Live Classroom—allows students taking online classes to participate in real time discussions, chat with classmates, and review for tests with instructor and classmates from your personal computer.
- Video Projects—classes such as biology and government have students create videos to explain and present an assigned topic.
- Multimedia Message Boards—these flat screen TV’s can be found on all 3 campuses and give important updates from new services available to free lunch!
- Video Tutorials— when working on your next project, visit the Library website to view a video tutorial on how to research using our online databases.
- Facebook— using Facebook in the class-

room, instructors can publish notes and tag students . For example, they can post assignments or notify you of their online office hours.

- Twitter— allows you to follow news, post discussions, updates, communicate with your instructors and classmates, and stay connected with alumni.

Follow Vernon College on Facebook and Twitter by visiting our homepage at www.vernoncollege.edu for updates, news, and activities!

QEP GOALS

Increase student learning through improved engagement:

- * Transform curriculum and instruction.
- * Participate in professional development opportunities.
- * Create a technology rich environment.

Engagement Methods

Vernon College has a variety of teaching methods and services to assist you in communicating and collaborating with your instructors, staff members, and classmates. Here are a few:

- Group Study Room in the Library—this room provides a private, quiet area for you or your group to study, work on an assignment, or practice a presentation.
- Group Projects in Class— these projects encourage participation with other students and your instructors.
- Office Hours—for your convenience, instructors offer in person and/or online office hours. Connect with your instructor—ask about your next test or a question about today’s lecture!



The Chap is a student newsletter to educate you and update you on our Vernon College Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), VConnected, and the resources available to assist you while you are a student at Vernon College!

A big THANK YOU to the Student Government Association who created the name of the newsletter and assisted the office of Quality Enhancement with a video for our faculty/staff development meetings.

If you have any suggestions on topics for this newsletter or have any questions on VConnected and how Vernon College can engage you please email Criquett Lehman at cslehman@vernoncollege.edu.



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**Make your connection
today!**

DID YOU KNOW?

DID YOU KNOW... A new section has been added to the Campus Connect tab in MyVC called “Course Schedule Advising”? The following have been made available to assist you with scheduling your courses each semester.

- [Student Responsibilities & Checklist](#)
- [Degrees & Certificates 2010-2011](#)
- [How to Register Guide](#)
- [Campus Connect \(Online Web Registration\) Instructions](#)
- [Is Distance Learning for Me? Questionnaire](#)
- [Transfer 101](#)—website to assist you in making the jump to a 4-year university from a Texas community college.

DID YOU KNOW...All returning students are encouraged to meet with a Course Schedule Advisor (CSA) prior to registering each semester? Faculty members (CSA’s) are available to meet with students during their posted office hours. Students may also meet with a CSA in the CSA Center located on the Vernon Campus in the Summer Applied Arts Center room 419 and at Century City Center in room 100. CSA Center hours are published each semester in the Class Schedule and reminders are posted on the Vernon College website, Facebook, and Twitter. NOTE: Students who are “Not College Readiness Clear” must continue to meet with a Counselor located in the Student Services Office on the Vernon Campus or Century City Center.

DID YOU KNOW...The quickest way to receive Vernon College updates is to setup and use your student email account? Vernon

College email accounts can be forwarded to your existing email account such as gmail, yahoo, hotmail, etc. Follow these [instructions](#) and stay connected today!

DID YOU KNOW... You may also follow Vernon College on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for daily announcements?

DID YOU KNOW...Vernon College has an online scholarship application called STARS? Just click the [link](#) found on the Vernon College homepage, create a username and password, login to the system, and you will be given instructions on how to proceed. The deadline is March 1, 2011 and you may email STARSAdmin@vernoncollege.edu with specific questions.



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