BCCCC Students Earn Academic Recognition

Two BCCC students, Dennis "Joel" Davis and Stuart Warren were selected to receive the third annual North Carolina Community College System's Academic Excellence Award. Instructors within their academic divisions nominated the students. Nominations were based on the students' grade point average and their involvement on campus and in the community. Two students from each of the state's 59 community colleges will be honored at an awards luncheon on May 16 in Raleigh.

The Academic Excellence Awards are given annually to recognize and encourage scholarship among the more than 710,000 students in the North Carolina Community College System. To quote the gubernatorial resolution, "...the majority of community college students pursue their studies while they hold down jobs and attend to family responsibilities." These dedicated students are among North Carolina's best and brightest.

Joel Davis resides in Pinetown and will earn his associate's degree in Mechanical Engineering Technology/Drafting and Design in May. His GPA is 4.0, and he is currently employed with Flanders/CSC in a cooperative education position as a project engineer. BCCC drafting instructor Sandy McFadden nominated Davis. She stated, "Joel is such a good student; it's hard to say anything about him that doesn't sound cliché. Yet, he is anything but cliché. The best word I can use to describe Joel is 'eagerness'. He's eager to learn everything. He's eager to be in college and he is willing to be a leader when he's called to do so. He learns from his mistakes and gives everything his all."

Davis graduated from Northside High School in 1998. While at Northside, Davis was on the Honor Roll, won the Citizenship award and was given the Scholar Athlete Award. He also won a BCCC Drafting Skills Contest Scholarship. Davis is a member of BCCC's Gamma Beta Phi Society.

Stuart Warren is from Washington and will earn his degree in Environmental Science Technology in May. Warren's GPA is 3.82 and he is employed with Flanders/CSC as a lab technician.

Warren graduated from Washington High School in 1998. Warren is active in BCCC's Student Government Association, Environmental Science Technology Club and Gamma Beta Phi Society. He was awarded the Harold Alton Lane, Jr. Memorial Scholarship in 1999. He is the son of Don and Denise Warren. BCCC President Ron Champion stated, "Both Joel and Stuart exemplify the types of students served by Beaufort County Community College. BCCC is very proud to showcase its students and their achievements at this annual event."