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## Something's fishy



Photo by Holly Jones

Julian Hilliard, biology professor and caretaker of the native Oklahoma fish aquarium, takes care of the fish housed there. Hilliard feeds the fish plankton and frozen brine shrimp twice a week and cleans the tank every two weeks. The tank contains only fish which are native to Oklahoma ponds, rivers and lakes. "I want people to learn about [those particular] fish, not just what they see in movies like 'Finding Nemo.'" Also in the tank is a crayfish that came from the creek just outside of the college. The aquarium is located just outside the science center.

## Students taking advantage of online tutoring service

By Christiana Kostura  
Editor

**S**marthinking, an online tutoring service offered free to OKCCC students, is being used according to the usage report from the company.

Smarthinking offers 24-hour online help, said Paul Sechrist, provost/vice president for Academic Affairs.

The administration hoped the program would supplement OKCCC's on-campus learning labs by providing quick help for students when labs are

closed or when students were not able to make it to campus.

The essay center by far was the most used area of the program, according to the usage report provided by Smarthinking for the spring semester.

Many students turned to the Communications Lab for assistance with the new Smarthinking program.

"We had people asking about it at the beginning," said Alice Tillinghast, communications lab director.

Of the 697 total hours OKCCC students used Smarthinking, about 447 hours were spent in the Essay Center.

"The submission of an essay to the online writing lab is counted as either 35 or 65 minutes, dependent on the length and complexity of the essay submitted," Sechrist said.

The second most used area of Smarthinking was algebra, which used about 72 hours.

Math professors promoted the service.

"I recommend it to my kids," said Heather Benton, adjunct math professor.

"It's great when you're working on a problem at

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## Regents give thumbs up to college budget

Approval given on all proposals, from tuition to pay raises

By Christiana Kostura  
Editor

**T**he votes are in. OKCCC's Board of Regents approved all funding measures at its June 20 meeting, including the budget for fiscal year 2006.

From pay raises to tuition fee raises, everything has been covered.

"[I am] very pleased," said Art Bode, vice president for Business and Finance. "I think [the budget] represents the hard work of an awful lot of people."

"[The budget and staffing plan] provided the necessary funds to undertake quite a few initiatives."

Full-time employees will receive an average of 4 percent more in salary. Adjunct professor pay will increase from \$530 to \$540 per credit hour.

Students will pay an average of 7 percent more in tuition and fees.

Resident students will pay \$69 per credit hour in tuition and fees. Non-resident students must pay \$180.40 per credit hour.

Included in the 2006 Staffing Plan are eight new full-time faculty positions, five other professional full-time positions, three additional classified full-time positions and three workstudy positions, said Gary Lombard, Human Resources vice president. The current benefits program for employees will be continued.

Toward the end of the meeting, the regents went into executive session to talk about a raise for President Bob Todd. Regents unanimously voted for a 4.5 percent increase.



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—Art Bode  
Vice President for  
Business and Finance

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## Editorial and Opinion

## Editorial

# Elevator tribulation

Nothing is more irritating than watching someone in a wheelchair sitting by the elevator while a mass of able-bodied people push and shove in order to ride down a single floor.

Yes, of course, the elevators are there for everyone's convenience, but only as an afterthought. Their true purpose is for the disabled, or those pushing carts or strollers.

The building only has three floors. It doesn't take a massive amount of athletic prowess to make it from top to bottom.

Now, if there is a reason for taking the elevator, such as being injured or carrying something extremely heavy, then please feel free to use them.

However, the fact that a person does not want to walk by no means gives them priority over a person who is isn't able to walk at all.

The level of insensitivity some contain is totally astonishing.

People who are fighting their way into an elevator while someone who actually needs access in order to get to the next floor is forced to wait should be tarred and feathered.

There is nothing nothing that makes those with a disability less important than a person who is full of sloth.

So, instead of rushing to the next class like a mule with blinders on, pay attention to who is trying to get on the elevator.

If someone in a wheelchair is waiting patiently by the elevator, show some respect and let the other person go first.

A person with a physical disability has enough to worry about without having to watch for inconsiderate schmucks trying to push them out of the way to get on the elevator.

Most people with a disability refuse to complain because they don't want pity, but that should not stop them from receiving common courtesy.

It really cannot be that difficult to walk down a single flight of stairs.

At least pretend to possess minimal human compassion and have some consideration for someone other than yourself.

If a person is able to run in order to stop the elevator door from closing on them, then it is reasonable to believe such a person is in decent enough shape to take the stairs.

Laziness is a disease and can be contagious, if it is overlooked.

That is why injustices of this sort must have attention called to them or they will be allowed to continue and grow.

—Shawn Bryant  
Staff Writer

## Oklahoma Film Institute alums thrive

They're working on all the recent movie crews and they're winning awards for their student work. Who are these dynamos?

They're graduates of the Oklahoma Film Institute, a three-week crash course in filmmaking that will get under way next month at OKCCC.

Caitlin Clements, a junior at Casady High School, won the Young Filmmaker Award Saturday at the Dead Center Film Festival for "Playhouse." She attended OFI last summer on the Directing Track.

"I learned much more about camera techniques than at previous workshops," Clements said. "It was inspiring working around so many great people. The three-week time frame helped me get my film done quickly," she added.

Austin Tolin also attended OFI last summer. Last month, he won the Linda Jaeger Memorial Scholarship from the Individual Artists of Oklahoma. Tolin just graduated from Jenks High School and is bound for OKCCC this fall where he will major in Film and Video Production.

Recent productions of

"Wisteria" and "The Hunt" employed several OFI and OKCCC students. They're working in important positions, not just as production assistants.

The Oklahoma Film Institute runs from July 11 to 29. Each week the workshop focuses on a different phase of the filmmaking process. During the first week, participants plan for the shooting of the project that happens during the second week. All of the footage is then edited in the third week.

This isn't just classroom theory. Our screenplay competition provides a feature-length script. Then OFI participants actually shoot a trailer for the film. There's no better place in the state to get this level of instruction and meet production pros.

Instructors come from the film industry, both from Hollywood and Oklahoma. Headlining each year is Oscar-winning producer Gray Frederickson and "Children of the Corn" director and OFI executive director Fritz Kiersch.

Registration for the Oklahoma Film Institute is \$575 per week plus a \$45 regis-

tration fee. Participants can take any or all three weeks. Participants taking the whole workshop can choose the Directing Track and get extra benefits. For more information, call 682-7847 or log on to [www.okccc.edu/ofi](http://www.okccc.edu/ofi).

—Rick Allen Lippert  
Oklahoma Film  
Institute Director

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## Comments and Reviews

# Corgan Embraces the Future

After the end of the Smashing Pumpkins some years back, then-frontman Billy Corgan removed himself from the music scene but at last has returned with his solo product "TheFutureEmbrace."

Potent, powerful and promising, Corgan exhibits every ounce of creative fiber he has in his solo release.

To fans of the Smashing Pumpkins, "TheFutureEmbrace" sounds like a mix between "Adore" and "MACHINA: The Machines of God." To non-devotees, the album is a mix of electronic drums, captivating guitar and melodic vocals.

While some may argue that singing was never

Corgan's strong point, he radiates on this album.

Corgan seems to have harnessed the whininess his voice emits and has made good on his promise to take vocal lessons.

Even if you don't admire his voice, one thing remains true — Corgan's lyrics have been, and continue to be, among the best in alternative rock.

Undoubtedly so, "TheFutureEmbrace" is as poetic as past Pumpkin releases, yet it seems to wield more of an inspirational side to it, perhaps due to the reflective nature of the album itself.

Of the 12 tracks, few stand out above the rest —

the entire album is, in three swift syllables, outstanding. Every song shows emotion, maturity and a craftsmanship only Corgan can master.

"TheFutureEmbrace" is more than an album — it's a constitution of personal commitment, sacrifice and soul searching.

The old cliché stands true: the man has poured his blood, sweat and tears into "TheFutureEmbrace." And for fans, we've waited much too long for Corgan's return to music. Now that he's here, all we can do now is wait for more.

**Rating:** 5/5

—**Richard Hall**  
Staff Writer

# 'Longest Yard' is a great remake

A pleasant surprise is a welcome one at the movies. "The Longest Yard," a remake of the 1974 sports classic, fits in this category.

The film's star Adam Sandler has only one other football movie to his credit, "The Waterboy." Sandler's turn in "The Waterboy" did not show much promise of serious dramatic acting.

As funny as "The Longest Yard" is, its script requires moments of drama and silence.

It was interesting to see former professional football players and wrestlers cast as prison guards. Both are normally typecast as muscle bound morons but this film smashed the stereotype.

Among the guards were former wrestlers Kevin Nash and "Stone Cold" Steve Austin, and former football players Brian Bosworth and Bill Rom-

anowski.

Each of these former athletes is able to fit into his role, both serious and comedic.

Not surprisingly, the guards are tough and violent toward the prisoners. However, there are actually moments of drama and intensity.

Austin plays a guard who is basically a racist and regularly talks down to prisoner Earl Megget (played by rapper Nelly).

The character regularly uses the term nigger towards Megget in the movie. This adds friction and tension to their scenes together.

Austin also brings his signature stare, perfected in recent years performing in the World Wrestling Entertainment.

The guards are quick to hit prisoners and make their lives miserable.

Although prison is not supposed to be a cakewalk, it is apparent the prisoners have had their fill of mistreatment.

Humor is frequent in the movie and helps the film maintain balance.

The largest contributor to the hilarity is comedian Chris Rock.

Rock serves as the assistant coach and confidant to Paul Crewe [Sandler].

He and other cast members serve up a healthy dose of laughs.

The comedy from members of the prisoners' football team will seem like one of the few features of this movie at first.

The story builds nicely from Crewe's arrest to the actual game. You do not want to miss the end of this film. There are a few twists tastier than popcorn.

—**Matthew Caban**  
Staff Writer

## Counselor's Corner

*"The best and safest thing is to keep a balance in your life; acknowledge the great powers around us and in us. If you can do that, and live that way, you are really a wise man."*

—**Euripides (484 - 406 BC)**

Math. It's always a four-letter word, but for some of you, it's really a four-letter word. It hangs over you like a dark cloud, ready to shoot bolts of electricity through your very soul. Math. Some of you may shudder just from reading the word.

Why does this discipline elicit such agony and anxiety? Math classes are as benign as any other classes. So why would a bright, capable individual sit in my office and express his or her reservations about passing math? Why would anyone forgo a college degree because it requires a math course?

No course has to be a mountain you can't climb. Take a deep breath and follow along.

Doing math is much like doing anything else. It is a process that requires starting at a beginning and working through to an end.

Think of it as a jigsaw puzzle using letters and numbers instead of pictures. To complete a jigsaw puzzle requires patience, interest, and persistence. Not surprisingly, so do most other things in life.

The first task you will have to accomplish will probably be the most difficult. You must get your attitude in check. Our actions follow our thinking, so if you are constantly telling yourself (and others) that you can't do math, then you can't do math.

I've worked with many students over the years who were so convinced they couldn't be successful in a math class that they wouldn't let themselves be. They sabotaged themselves countless times because they couldn't fathom success.

Every time you catch yourself using negative language about yourself and math, smack yourself on the back of the hand. Then, make a point of practicing positive remarks about your ability. When your thinking changes, you'll be well on your way to passing the class you've been dreading.

Next, review some basic arithmetic from days gone by. You have to know order of operations and basic computation facts. If you never learned your multiplication table, for instance, go back and commit it to memory. If you know addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division, and you know your order of operations, no problem is insurmountable.

Next, get over the desire to intuitively know the answer for every problem. That won't happen. You will have to work it out, step by step, just as you would put together your puzzle. It may take hours to work through one problem. That isn't a weakness in you. It represents the nature of solving problems. Remember, interest, patience, and perseverance. Do the math. You can.

—**Mary Turner**  
Student Development Counselor

## Quote of the Week

*"Equal opportunity means everyone will have a fair chance at being incompetent."*

—**Laurence J. Peter**



## Comments and Reviews

# At the Drive-In anthology booed by fans

Before Sparta and the Mars Volta there was At the Drive-In, El Paso's post-hardcore quartet known for their unconventional sound as well as aesthetic live shows.

Upon breaking up, and subsequently causing the formation of both aforementioned bands, ATDI caused a stir in the music scene, shook the living daylight out of listeners and engineered a sound so cunning it could only be explained as "wow."

Now fans and newcomers alike have "This Station Is Non-Operational: Anthology" — an, as it's pointed out clearly, anthology of ATDI songs basically hoping to serve more as a greatest hits compilation than anything else.

Sounds like a novel idea, but where the thought comes up short is in the collection and its Digital Video Disc counterpart.

First, let's start with the album itself.

Sure, it's got classic songs like "Pickpocket," "One Armed Scissor" and "Lopsided."

The rest of the album is doused with "rarities" that can be found on other ATDI EPs, still available via your local record shop or

online.

Not a bad idea, to compile entire EPs like "Vaya" onto one disc.

However, in all actuality, an avid fan of ATDI could make a better mix than what Fearless Records has done, almost seemingly as an attempt to make a few extra dollars.

But naturally — taking the band that is responsible for the formation of the Mars Volta and slapping a few "rare" songs on a disc just to please the elitists, then charging \$14.99 for the product is a good idea, from a business perspective, yet it is horrible from a fan perspective.

And to woo people over, Fearless has included a DVD featuring music videos and multimedia content, such as photographs.

Once again, not a terrible idea but it fails terribly when you realize there aren't any live videos to be found.

One of the strongest sides of ATDI was their live show, which equated to a jostling of bodies as they kept the music as on track as humanly possible.

The DVD failed to show that side of ATDI and, doing so, hampers the

enjoyment the DVD is supposed to offer.

To be fair, the package does offer some worthwhile additions.

ATDI's cover of the Smith's "This Night Has Opened My Eyes" and a look at how ATDI sounded back in 1996 when they released "Acrobatic Tenement" weren't bad.

Unfortunately, that's about it.

Even if you are a die-hard ATDI fan, like I am, pass this anthology up.

This is one of the worst cries for a buck I've come across in a very, very long time.

**Rating: 1.5/5**  
—**Richard Hall**  
**Staff Writer**



# 'Land of the Dead' turns you into zombie

The time has come for another gore-fest from horror director George Romero. "Land of the Dead" was marketed as his zombie masterpiece.

However, a number of flaws turned it from one man's masterpiece to another man's waste of time.

Despite solid performances from lead actors Dennis Hopper and Simon Baker, the film fell short of expectations.

The film shows the lives of the few survivors of a horrible outbreak.

Previous films in the series were "Night of the Living Dead," "Dawn of the Dead" and "Day of the Dead."

With such a renowned list of horror flicks, this film was hyped as the cream of the crop.

Simply put, it cannot be

the best when it breaks too many horror movie rules and becomes illogical.

First, zombies are mindless.

Therefore, they cannot pick up guns, let alone shoot them with any resemblance of accuracy.

This happened in the movie more than half a dozen times.

Romero, who also wrote the film, even had a zombie throw a Molotov cocktail of sorts.

Another problem with the movie is the plot. Although the plot is not too bad, not everything is explained completely.

If more background information were given, one of the major conflicts in the film would make more sense.

Not all was lost with "Land of the Dead."

Hopper was great as the villain, Mr. Kaufman. He delivered some of his lines in a way reminiscent of his performance in "Speed."

Hopper was believable as a greedy man who cares only for himself. He also has one of the funniest scenes in the movie when he kills one of his subordinates.

The scene is the personification of the word gullible. "Land of the Dead" is filled to the brim with Romero's signature gore.

Some of the deaths are creative, but looks aren't everything in a film.

The bottom line is the ending, if you can call it that, left me snoozing.

If you have seen "Dawn of the Dead," this movie's end will seem too familiar.

To make a masterpiece, something new and dra-

matic was needed.

Until then, "Land of the Dead" feels like a Twinkie

without the cream filling.

—**Matthew Caban**  
**Staff Writer**

## Mini-golfing in the dark

Black lights illuminate the indoor miniature golf course at Lunar Golf, inside of Quail Springs Mall.

The 18-hole course is completely doused in black lighting, with glowing tape and paint marking the hills, pits and holes.

Lunar Golf has putters for the smallest player (if they can walk, they can play) to the tallest player.

Customers pay a fee to play upon entering the business, and are then allowed to play up to three games for the entry price.

When you are through playing, there is a prize hole you may shoot your ball into. Once you putt the ball in, it goes through a plinko-style maze. If the golf ball goes into the glowing hole, you win a prize (glowing toys or a coupon for free golf).

The cost is \$3 for ages 5 and under, \$5 for 6 to 12 and \$8 for ages 13 up. They also host parties.

This is an out of this world experience.

—**Christiana Kostura**  
**Editor**



# Last day to withdraw from classes nears

By John Savage  
Staff Writer

Once again summer school is in session and that means, for some students—it's time to drop classes.

Folks in the Bursar and Admissions offices hope that students don't ever have to drop a class but if so they will try to make it as painless as possible.

"They [students] can drop online as long as they are in good academic standing," said Admission and Records Assistant Mary Jones.

"If a student is on probation then he must go talk to Admissions or the Bursar before being able to drop a class," Jones said.

If students are dropping this week, the only thing they can salvage is keeping a bad grade off their transcript.

"The drop date to get a full refund for this summer was June 10," said Bursar Cashier Heather Wall.

"If they dropped the class now, [students] would not get a refund, but they could avoid getting that grade."

The last day to drop any class is July 15 for eight-week classes.

"This will keep students from going on academic probation or getting an F in that class," Wall said.

If a student has had traumatic personal problems like a death of a loved one then the student can ask for an appeal, Wall said.

However, they must first drop that class before filing an appeal for a refund.

Only the first week of an eight-week class is when students can drop and get a full return. The fast tracks have a different time frame for full return.

"Dropping classes is the student's responsibility," Wall said.

"If you don't pay for your class, we will no longer drop the class for you."

Students who have not paid for their summer classes in full will be assessed a 2 percent finance charge on the unpaid balance if they opt to spread out payments.

"If students get a statement for a balance at that point, if you don't make the payment by the due date on the statement you will also get a late charge, which is

## Rack 'em up



Photo by Holly Jones

Brick Holford uses a stack mover to brace a book frame for the move of the bookshelves. New carpet is being installed on the first floor of the library.

\$20," Wall said.

Students who may not have paid their balances for summer school, will not be forced from their summer classes, Wall said.

However, they also will not be able to enroll in fall classes.

"At the end of the term, if

you haven't paid at least 50 percent of your balance then they will drop you from your future classes," Wall said.

All information about dropping classes or late charges can be found on Mine Online, in the catalog and class schedules.

For more information contact Bursar Cashier/Clerk Heather Wall at the Bursar at 682-1611, ext. 7825 or call Admissions and Records at 682-1611, ext. 7512.

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# Student Development offers assistance to students

By Amy Sullivan  
News Writing Student

Student Development counselors help students reach goals and reach the possibilities.

First-time students should be advised.

"This is a whole new world that students don't know," said Mary Turner, Student Development counselor.

"Students need someone

they can trust and talk to."

Student Development counselors are glad to help students fill out their class schedules.

After students get a feel of the college experience, the counselors do encourage each student to be independent, she said.

Students do not need to make an appointment to see a counselor, Turner said.

Counselors are available to students any time during normal business hours.

Students will be served on a first-come, first-serve basis, she said.

There is no limit to the number of times a student can speak with a counselor to get questions answered.

Counselors help the student with several areas — successful completion of college, how to transfer to another institution and how to balance their time, Student Development Counselor Ed Williams said.

"Counselors help students become goal oriented and give students an idea on how to meet their goal at this institution," he said.

Student Development counselors can help students with personal issues as well, Williams said.

Depending on how severe the issue, he said, they will help students or they will refer them to a Therapeutic Counselor.

"Sometimes personal issues can hinder the student's successful accom-

plishment in school and can get in the way of long-term academic goals," Williams said.

Students also should consult with a faculty adviser who is experienced in the field of the student's major.

Faculty advisers have contacts with people at other institutions and contacts in the job market, Williams said.

For more information, contact Student Development at 682-7535.



# Children develop new artistic abilities with others

**K**ristal Cantwell teaches preschool at the Child Development Center and Lab School for children ages three to five. Since the end of May, her class has been learning about different types of art.

"Studying art was another teacher's idea but the children seem to really enjoy it," Cantwell said. "Most of the art is hands on."

So far, the children have experienced finger painting, watercolor and clay. During class time the teachers have been reading books about art.

"I wanted the kids to be able touch and feel the difference between one art form from another," Cantwell said.

Studying art is a way to get the children into appreciating art, she said.

"Some kids enjoy the experience more than others but every child gets to take part in the variety we have had," Cantwell said.

"When the kids have asked all their questions about art and start to lose interest, we will start another project."

"So far the kids have really enjoyed the clay sculpting," Cantwell said.



Gabrielle Nguyen helps Jason Le create a train from clay. Each child started with a ball of clay and the teachers let the imaginations of the children determine what developed as they created pieces of artwork.

Photos and text by Holly Jones



Nevia Jacque enjoy the lessons in art she is learning in her preschool class taught by Kristal Cantwell at the Child Development Center and Lab School.



Skyler Lowe participates in clay sculpting. She made a snowman from a ball of clay.



Serra Stoliby is in the process of creating a face made of clay. She started with the eyes, mouth then nose.





# Firework displays around town

**By Christiana Kostura  
Editor**

It's time to pack the cooler, grab your lawn chair and wear your favorite patriotic shirt — July Fourth is just around the bend.

Many firework displays will light the skies on Independence Day.

A popular display is Bricktown's annual show.

The events actually start July 3 with arts and crafts, children's activities and food vendors in Bricktown.

The celebration continues on the Fourth with a parade (10 a.m. down Sheridan Ave.). The Crystal Bridge at the Myriad Gardens will open its doors for free from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The night will end with Oklahoma City's largest fireworks display set to music at 10 p.m.

About 100,000 people at-

tend the event. It is free and handicap accessible. For more information, visit [www.bricktownokc.com](http://www.bricktownokc.com).

If you live further south, perhaps Norman's annual celebration is for you.

Activities will begin at noon, July 4, at Reaves' Park. The park is located at 2501 Jenkins Ave.

There will be food booths, free watermelon, a nickel find, sand castle building, sand volleyball, pony rides and more. The day will end with fireworks, scheduled to start at 9:45 p.m.

For more information visit [www.normanfun.com](http://www.normanfun.com) or call Parks and Recreation at 292-7275.

If you are further north, then Edmond's Liberty Fest is a good bet. The event was voted one of the top 10 places to celebrate Independence Day by CNN and USA Today.

Projected attendance is 125,000 people.

The 10-day event began June 25 and will end on July 4. There will be a lighted kite festival July 2; a food festival and road rally on July 3, and a parade on the Fourth.

Festivities will conclude with the largest fireworks display in the metro around 10 p.m. at the University of Central Oklahoma. The address is 2nd Street and University Boulevard in Edmond.

Finally, if you are looking for a smaller event, check out Moore's Fine Arts Festival. Expected attendance is 15,000 people.

The event will be on July 2 from noon to 8 p.m.; and July 3 and 4 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Entertainment will include a fine arts display and a fireworks display at dark.

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## How veterans feel on July Fourth

**By Richard Hall  
Staff Writer**

July Fourth weekend is quickly approaching and students and faculty alike are planning to spend their time basking in the sun. Others, however, will be spending the time reflecting on what the word independence means to them.

Art Bode, vice president for Business and Finance, is an Air Force veteran with 25 years experience.

Bode said he spent some of his days in Vietnam and other locations as a B-52 (strategic bomber aircraft) navigator and squadron commander for various units.

Having retired as a colonel in 1991, Bode said he is looking back on his days spent in the military, those who volunteered their time before him and those volunteering their time today.

"I spend the July Fourth weekend just like anybody else," Bode said. "I spend time with family, do the whole picnic thing."

"But what I do as much now as anything is reflect on why people serve their country."

Bode said one of the major factors that nudged him into the military was his family and that spending time with his family on the upcoming day of celebration takes precedence.

Other than spending time with family, Bode said, he can't emphasize enough the importance of troop support, especially now.

"When I returned home from Vietnam I didn't see the support ribbons," he said. "Soldiers need support and I'm glad people take time to show their support."

The Fourth of July is celebrated widely in the United States to commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

Usually honored by barbecues, water sports and sleeping in, Independence Day has come to mean a lot more to Health Lab Coordinator Lloyd Kingsbury.

Kingsbury, who served during Vietnam as a gunners mate in the Navy, said he spends July Fourth with family and friends, taking advantage of the freedoms the citizens of the United States have.

"The freedoms we have are here because of those past wars," Kingsbury said, "and those who fought them."

Kingsbury shares the same conviction as Bode — troop support is necessary.

He said there will always be people complaining about wars, but those people who fight the wars fought for the right to complain.

"I don't know many veterans who complain [about serving their country]," Kingsbury said.

Kingsbury spent a total of two years in Vietnam during the 21-year conflict, which ranged from 1954 to 1975. He retired as a Petty Officer Second Class, or E-5.

Whatever plans people have for this July Fourth, Bode and Kingsbury said, everyone should spend some time thinking of those who helped gain the nation's independence.

"Without them, we wouldn't have the freedom to celebrate," Bode said.

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## Be careful not to blow off your fingers

**By John Savage  
Staff Writer**

Many Americans celebrate the Fourth of July by lighting up the summer sky.

There are many injuries that can occur from enjoying fireworks.

"The number one injury you see is burn injuries to hands," said Public Information Officer Major Brian Stanaland from the Oklahoma City Fire Department.

"Unfortunately, we see quite a few cornea injuries or eye injuries," Stanaland said.

"Last year, we had 40 different injuries in the metro area that were reported and out of those 40, 10 were eye injuries," Stanaland said.

Stanaland warns that the most dangerous fireworks on the market are the ones that shoot projectiles in the

air and sparklers.

"Sparklers are extremely dangerous," Stanaland said. "You're handing your toddler a welding rod."

Stanaland discourages people setting off fireworks.

Stanaland said he realizes some people will still want to set off fireworks and suggests they check with the city's Fire Department or Police Department and find out if it is permissible.

If people want to light fireworks they need to buy fireworks as well as set them off outside city limits, Stanaland said.

These safety tips will keep this summer safe and fun.

- Before using fireworks, be sure they are permitted. Check with local police or fire department to determine what fireworks can be discharged in your area.

- Light fireworks outdoors on a smooth, flat surface away from houses, dry leaves, grass and flam-

mable material.

- Be certain other people are out of range before lighting fireworks.

- Keep water nearby for emergencies.

- Pour water on fireworks that malfunction. Do not try to relight or handle them.

- Always read and follow all warnings and label directions.

- Never ignite fireworks while holding them.

- Always have an adult present.

- Never allow children to handle or ignite fireworks. Even sparklers, which burn at 1,000 F, can be dangerous.

- Contact the fire department if a fire starts.

- The safest way to prevent fireworks-related injuries is to leave fireworks displays to trained professionals.

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**OKCCC WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JULY 4.**

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# Sports

## UPCOMING

### SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS

•**June 27 - July 1:** Girls volleyball, ages 12 to 14 from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, June 27 to July 1. Campers will meet near entry 7 before practice.

The cost for this event is \$60.

For more information, contact Community Education and Health Coordinator Jack Perkins at 682-1611, ext. 7205, or e-mail [jperkins@okccc.edu](mailto:jperkins@okccc.edu).

•**July 18 - 22:** OKCCC will have coed basketball from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, July 18 to 22.

Campers will meet in the gymnasium near entry 7. Ages for this camp are 6 to 8. The cost is \$60.

For more information, visit the website at [www.okccc.edu/rcs](http://www.okccc.edu/rcs).

•**July 18 - 22:** OKCCC will teach coed golf from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, June 20 to 24.

Ages for this camp are 9 to 11 and 12 to 14. Campers will meet by entry 7.

The cost for this camp is \$60. For more information, contact Community Education and Health Coordinator Jack Perkins at 682-1611, ext. 7205, or e-mail [jperkins@okccc.edu](mailto:jperkins@okccc.edu).

•**July 18 - 22:** OKCCC will offer coed tennis from 8 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, July 18 to 22, for ages 9 to 11 and 12 to 14.

For more information, contact Community Education and Health Coordinator Jack Perkins at 682-1611, ext. 7205, or visit [www.okccc.edu/rcs](http://www.okccc.edu/rcs) or e-mail [jperkins@okccc.edu](mailto:jperkins@okccc.edu).

**Share your sports news. Call John at 682-1611, ext. 7440.**

## Girls basketball is a triple double

**Coach Tim Price teaches defense, offense and other fundamental drills**

**By John Savage  
Staff Writer**

As the days of summer keep heating up, the girls basketball camp for ages 9 through 14 practice their moves in the gymnasium.

Coach Tim Price is brother of Jay Price, who taught boys basketball this summer at OKCCC.

"This is my second year. I worked last year with the girls camp," Price said.

This year, OKCCC's camps go from 8 a.m. to noon, while, last year,

campers stayed all-day, he said.

"I enjoyed it last year and they wanted me to come back," Price said.

"So, I wanted to come back and do another summer of [basketball camp],"

When Price is not teaching the summer camps, he is coaching the womens basketball team at Carl Albert High School.

Price had the campers perform many fundamental drills that will help them launch their basketball careers.

One drill involved practicing shooting form.

Price had the campers lie on their backs and shoot the ball with one hand and catch it.

When performed correctly, the ball left the camper's hand in a fluid motion with good rotation and ended back in the camper's hand without having to strain to catch the ball.

Price explained this drill can be performed at home while relaxing.

"We will be focusing on ball handling drills, dribbling drills, passing drills and, basically, how to shoot a basketball correctly,"

Price said.

Another drill Price had the campers perform was the ball handling exercise.

The campers lined up at the top of the three-point line, then drove the ball right past the free-throw line and shot 15-footers.

Price explained this camp will first teach the basics before moving to advanced teachings.

"We may discuss a couple of defense drills and talk about how to rebound," Price said.

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## Campers go for the sack at football camp

**By John Savage  
Staff Writer**

Blocking pads and tackling dummies lay scattered on the practice field like fallen soldiers.

Coaches bumped the campers with the blocking pads as they tried to perform moves to tackle the dummy in the backfield.

The tackle dummies gave way as campers came in for the sack.

Head coach Scott Hunter is leading the summer camp for the first time this year at OKCCC. He focuses on drills and fundamentals of the game.

"We do agility drills, form tackling drills. Basically, we're going over every position that they have," Hunter said. "Every kid is getting to play quarterback and running back."

Hunter is head coach at Brinks Junior High in Moore.

A few minutes later, break time was called and the campers sprinted to the cooler to get some water.

Hunter passed out red practice jerseys and the



**Photo by Holly Jones**

Dewayne Hunter, assistant coach, throws a pass while heading off a defender. Scott Hunter, head coach, whistles to stop play. "It's fun teaching football. We have been teaching for 10 years at junior high and high school level," Hunter said.

campers broke into two groups of nine to scrimmage.

"We have been passing and playing running back," said Lucas Mayden, 9.

Silas Walker, 11, enjoyed an earlier basketball camp and is now learning skills

at the football youth camp.

"I have caught a couple [passes] but if I would have run faster than I probably would have caught a couple more."

The scrimmage allowed counselor Larry Thompson to be all-time quarterback.

Early in the scrimmage Thompson's pass was intercepted.

This allowed the white team to score first on team red.

Several minutes later Thompson made it right when he launched a 20-yard pass that was caught by Walker for his first touchdown catch of the day.

Late in the second of the scrimmage a half back pass to Walker was caught. He looked for teammate Jose Gamnarelli and delivered a pass to him that got team red moving again.

The scrimmage was just for fun and practice, and ended with the white team scoring 27 points to the red teams' 13.

For more information about upcoming sports camps, contact Community Education and Health Coordinator Jack Perkins at 682-1611, ext. 7205, or visit [www.okccc.edu/rcs](http://www.okccc.edu/rcs).

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# High schoolers bond with Bioinformatics

By Sarah Atkinson  
News Writing Student

Juniors and seniors from 13 metro high schools, including one home school, participated in the Biotechnology Bioinformatics Discovery June 13 to 17.

Of those who applied, 24 students were selected for the workshop based on their potentials in science, said Donald Bell, Biotechnology/Bioinformatics Discovery project coordinator.

Bell said students conducted scientific investigations during the program.

Biotechnology Program Director Charlotte Mulvihill said the students were split into three groups, each working on a different project. Other faculty working with the students included Putnam City High School Teacher Steve Stark, and Professor Casey



Photo by Holly Jones

The Summer Science Academy held a biotechnology camp which started June 13. Putnam City North High School student Emily Stroud, and Jasmyn Woobard of North East Academy are testing food sources to see if the genetics have been modified.

Meek.

Meek said it's exciting to see what students learned.

"They are bright, innovative young adults," he said.

Meek's group worked with foods to determine how much amylase, an enzyme dealing with starch, was present.

Louise Vo, Westmoore High School senior, said she determined if there was amylase present in her food by the color it turned when

iodine was added.

Blue would represent no amylase and brown would prove its presence.

Stark's students determined which foods had been genetically modified.

Conor Carlton, Wellston High School senior, worked with vegetables to find if any promoters would show up.

He said he believed the corn and tomatoes were genetically altered.

While the other two groups worked in a lab environment, Mulvihill said her students used computers to answer questions about the evolution of HIV during infection.

Edmond North senior Kenny Pitts said he had always been interested in biotechnology.

"I didn't know there were so many things I could do," Pitts said.

"And starting salaries are great, too."

## Pond to receive improvements over the weeks to come

By Matthew Caban  
Staff Writer

The campus pond area will be more beautiful, useful and safer after planned improvements are completed in the coming weeks.

Physical Plant Director J.B. Messer said the Physical Plant is finishing the irrigation installation, which will provide water to grass, shrubs and trees.

"This series of irrigation lines connects the pond to the city's water system," Messer said.

The next phase of the project will extend the lines to water each part of the pond landscape, he said.

One of these areas is a field on the west end of the pond which, Messer said, will become a soccer field in the near future.

"With the field, we will go by industry standards for size and design."

Messer said other improvements include benches, trash receptacles, emergency call boxes and a

marquee at the corner of May Avenue and S.W. 74th Street.

"We have been identifying materials for functional things like benches and trash receptacles," he said.

"It is up to us to install the electrical and communications parts of the [marquee]."

Safety and Security re-

quested the installation of 12 new emergency call boxes, including five around the pond's walking trail. Safety and Security Director Ike Sloas said each new emergency call box costs \$3,300.

"[Call boxes] allow our officers to talk to the person [who made the call] directly," he said.

**"With any project, you have to phase it to get to your end point."**

—J.B. Messer

Physical Plant Director

Sloas said this can shorten call response time.

These improvements are just the beginning. "With any project, you have to

phase it to get to your end point," Messer said.

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## Diversified Studies degree procedure explained

By Amy Sullivan  
News Writing Student

Students who have more than 30 credit hours or who plan to pursue a degree not offered at OKCCC may be eligible for the Diversified Studies program, said Mary Turner, Student Development counselor.

Diversified Studies is a specialized program, she said.

Turner said the major serves two types of students.

The first is for students

who have completed numerous hours with no direction toward a major.

The second is for students who want to pursue a degree in something OKCCC does not offer.

Students are not considered Diversified Studies majors unless they have worked with a Student Development counselor and have a written contract for this particular major, Turner said.

The program is 60 credit hours and leads to an Associate in Arts or an Associate in Science degree.

Turner said Diversified

Studies is the only major that requires a written contract.

Students who are majoring in Diversified Studies can pursue degrees in majors such as radiology, physical therapy and marine biology, Turner said.

The program is designed to meet the student's needs, Turner said.

Jackie Foos, Diversified Studies major, said the program was convenient, that no other associate degree fit what she wanted to do at a four-year institution.

Foos will transfer to the University of Oklahoma to

pursue a degree in physical therapy.

Bertha Wise, Multi-divisional Studies director, said Diversified Studies majors can take a mixture of courses.

The first 37 hours are to meet general education requirements, and the remaining 23 hours can be a combination of courses, Wise said.

If a student has completed the 60 credit hours for the Diversified Studies degree, the hours will transfer to a four-year institution in Oklahoma, Wise said.



# Highlights

## Give blood, help community

OKCCC will play host to a blood drive sponsored by the Oklahoma Blood Institute and Student Life from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, in CU3. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to donate blood. All donors will receive a T-shirt and a chance to win one of two free cruises. All donors who pre-register for the drive will receive two entries for the drawing. For more information or to sign up, contact Student Life Community Engagement Coordinator Jon Horinek at 682-1611, ext. 7697.

## College Democrats seek members

The College Democrats are looking for members to revitalize the club. Anyone interested should contact club sponsor David Charlson at [djcharlson@okccc.edu](mailto:djcharlson@okccc.edu) or club sponsor Rick Vollmer at 682-1611, ext. 7302, or e-mail [rvollmer@okccc.edu](mailto:rvollmer@okccc.edu).

## Writing Club to hold summer meetings

The Writing Club is holding meetings at 12:15 p.m. on Thursdays and 11:15 a.m. on Fridays in the Arts and Humanities building's lounge area, near the staircase. Meetings will include discussion of a school-wide writing anthology and offer a chance for club members to display their original pieces. For more information, contact Publicity Officer Weston Mize at 204-6392.

## Native American Student Association meetings

Officers for the Native American Student Association will meet during the summer to plan events for the upcoming semesters. For times and dates of meetings, contact club sponsor Kristi Fields at 682-1611, ext. 7550.

## Baptist Collegiate Ministries active this summer

Baptist Collegiate Ministries will hold meetings at noon every Wednesday in room 3N0, located in the main building. All students are welcome and free lunch is provided. For more information, contact club sponsor Mike Barnett at 323-0583.

## Cultural Arts Series tickets on sale

Pre-season tickets for the upcoming school year's Cultural Arts Series are now on sale. Prices are \$65 for students, seniors, alumni, faculty and staff, and \$85 for general admission. Eight program concerts are currently scheduled. On Sept. 13, Flamenco dance troupe Zumbamba; Sept. 29, guitarist Brad Richter; Oct. 25, four-man vocal band Fourth Avenue; Nov. 8, Korean band Ahn Trio; Jan. 31, Tom Tiratto and His Big Band; Feb. 21, four-man percussion ensemble So Percussion; March 7, pianist and Van Cliburn silver medalist winner Valery Kuleshov; and April 4, San Francisco's Sonos Hand Bell Ensemble. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 682-7579 or visit [www.okccc.edu/ca](http://www.okccc.edu/ca).

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## Making plans for the future



Photo by Holly Jones

Native American Student Association club sponsor Kristi Fields, Treasurer Mary Billy, Vice President Angel Reed and President Toby Billy discuss the events and fund-raisers they have planned for the upcoming school year. The events planned for future semesters are a craft fair in November and a Native American week in April. The cotton candy and popcorn stations and a prize package giveaway are set to help fund the events.

# Calling all Democrats

**By Richard Hall  
Staff Writer**

OKCCC's College Democrats need help revitalizing the club, and the only way to do that is by inviting students to sign up.

Club sponsor and OKCCC English professor David Charlson said the club needs new members, especially during the off-year.

An off-year, Charlson said, is a non-election year.

Last year was a strong year for the club, since the presidential election took place as it does every four years.

According to [www.answers.com](http://www.answers.com), College Democrats is the official organization of the U.S. Democratic Party for college students. It has more than 1,200 chapters across the nation.

While club activities vary from chapter to chapter, Charlson said, OKCCC's chapter has scheduled meetings, holds political movie screenings, and hosts discussions and civil debates.

Last year, amidst the

presidential race, the club sponsored a screening of Michael Moore's film "Fahrenheit 9/11" and hosted a discussion afterward in which people expressed their reactions to the film, political parties and the election as a whole.

"The club also discusses current events that strongly deal with politics," Charlson said.

"The club also has guest speakers by local political representatives."

But now, Charlson said, the club needs bodies more than ever because the club may not exist come the fall semester.

"As a sponsor," Charlson said, "I just held the reins. Students need to step up and keep the club going."

Charlson said he hopes the club gets moving again in time for the upcoming semester.

"I understand that summers are slow for every club," Charlson said. "But, I hope students keep tabs on efforts to revitalize student spirit."

For more information on the club or to become a member, e-mail Charlson at [djcharlson@okccc.edu](mailto:djcharlson@okccc.edu).

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## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

- The College Democrats are run by a seven-member executive board ranging from President to Director of Programs
- The organization was founded in 1932 to help the election campaign of Franklin D. Roosevelt
- It was the largest student organization in the nation during the 1940s
- During former President Bill Clinton's time in office, more than 50,000 students were College Democrats

—[www.answers.com](http://www.answers.com)



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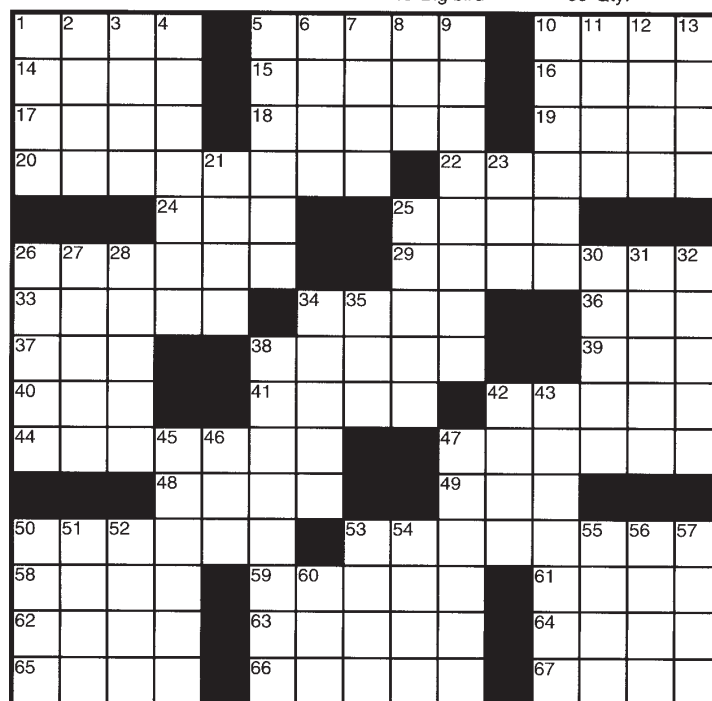
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# Money, wallets, computers on thieves' lists

**By Matthew Caban**  
Staff Writer &  
Casey Elliott  
News Writing Student

A thief entered a locked campus office through the ceiling and stole money from Sellers Catering on June 20, The Oklahoman reported.

In a 10-day span, two wallets and two computers also were reported stolen.

The amount of money stolen from Sellers Catering was reported to be \$1,800 in the June 22 issue of The Oklahoman.

Sellers Kitchen Manager Robbie Stephenson declined to verify what type of property was stolen but said someone came into the office through the ceiling.

Stephenson said precautions have been taken to prevent future thefts.

Cash was not the only target of criminals in recent days. Two other employees also have reported stolen property.

On June 21, Nursing Professor Linda Cowan reported her college-

issued laptop was stolen.

Cowan said she left the laptop in an overhead bin in her office on June 15.

"I usually [lock the bin] and thought I had," she said.

"When I went to unlock [the bin], it locked. So, I guess I didn't lock it."

Cowan said her office is always locked up or occupied by a Health Professions employee.

"It's pitiful to worry about locking every little thing up to do your job."

On June 13, Telecommunications Director David Anderson reported a stolen Dell Pocket PC.

Anderson said the Pocket PC, which belonged to the college, was stolen from his personal vehicle.

"They broke into the driver's side window," Anderson said.

Anderson said he took the Pocket PC home because he is on call 24 hours a day. He also said he is working with his personal insurance company to repay the college's loss.

"I feel it should be paid back, so that's what I'll do."

A student and a visitor to the

college both reported stolen wallets within recent weeks.

The first wallet was reported missing by visitor Martin Andezejewski June 6.

Andezejewski was working out in the Wellness Center when he discovered his wallet was missing from a locker in the men's locker room, according to a report filed by Safety and Security.

In the report, Andezejewski said he noticed some of the lockers didn't seem to secure correctly but that he thought he had used a locker that locked properly.

The report listed the wallet's contents as multiple credit cards, miscellaneous identification and \$75.

Andezejewski could not be reached for comment.

Safety and Security reported a second wallet stolen June 15.

Student Guy Pham made the report according to a report filed by Safety and Security.

Pham told security officers he believes his wallet fell out of his pocket while he was sitting in the college union.

According to the report, the wal-

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let contained various forms of identification and several pictures.

Pham could not be reached for comment.

Safety and Security Director Ike Sloas offered suggestions for protecting valuables.

"Don't leave your purse, wallet or book bag unattended," he said.

Sloas said people should be aware of their surroundings and valuables at all times.

Also, he said, don't assume people will do the right thing.

"It's not wise to count on the good will of strangers," he said.

Sloas said the school is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

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## Budget items approved during Board of Regents June 20 meeting

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In addition to approving the 2006 budget and staffing plan, the regents also approved two construction projects.

They approved the construction of a "family bathroom," Bode said. He said the restroom would be for use in situations where more than one person or

people of the opposite sex may need to enter a facility together. Bode said situations would not only include parents and children.

"We do have caregivers for some of our students or some visitors who may need assistance where there is an opposite sex issue," he said.

In addition to the new restroom, the Regents approved construction of new faculty offices.

The offices will replace

current spaces located between the pool and recreation counter area.

The new offices will be funded through Section 13 Offset Funds, money set aside specifically for construction. The Physical Plant will serve as the general contractor for the project.

"This will construct 10 faculty offices in the space [currently occupied by] CU7 and 8," Bode said.

The space vacated by the

professors' move will be used by recreation services, Bode said.

The regents approved a motion authorizing the administration to contract with W.L. McNatt for the construction of the Science, Engineering and Mathematics Center.

The SEM Center is to be built above the underground building housing the current science and math division. Completion is expected June 2007, al-

lowing the building to be put into use in the fall of 2007, said Bode.

Both the administration and the Board of Regents were satisfied with the outcome of the June 20 meeting.

The regents and administration discussed how proud they are of the college after viewing results from college placement tests.

"The difference here is the people teaching our students care," said Tom Hoskinson, OKCCC regent. "It's such a perishable commodity."

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## Online tutoring program appealing to students

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three in the morning," she said. "It's a 24/7 kind of thing."

Benton said she tells her students about the program at the beginning of the semester.

She said she knows at

least one of her students used it last semester.

Sechrist said the program is available this summer and through the fall semester.

The Smarthinking program offers help in micro- and macroeconomics, chemistry, algebra, single variable calculus, physics, career writing, biology, geometry, trigonometry, basic

math and more.

Sessions in some subjects are live.

Other help is offered through a delayed response where students submit questions or essays for review.

Sechrist said the college is reviewing the effectiveness of Smarthinking.

"Students can provide feedback to instructors on

how helpful the service has been," he said.

Sechrist said the college is happy the service is being used.

"Continuation of this service will depend on the level of use by students and how helpful the tutoring has been."

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