





A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



You may recognize these iconic words as the opening lines from Charles Dickens' book, *A Tale of Two Cities.* Strange how the words from a book published 161 years ago, in 1859, feel so relevant to the 2020 academic year. Indeed, compiling information for this Annual Report to the Community A Tale of Two Years: before and now as we continue to navigate our way through the global pandemic.

I am excited to share our 2020 Annual Report to the Community which summarizes some of the many stories of this most recent academic year at Waubonsee Community College. At Waubonsee, we like to say that we are more than college, we are *community* college! Community is at the heart of who we are and what we do. The stories within these pages feature the people of Waubonsee - students, board members, faculty, staff, community members

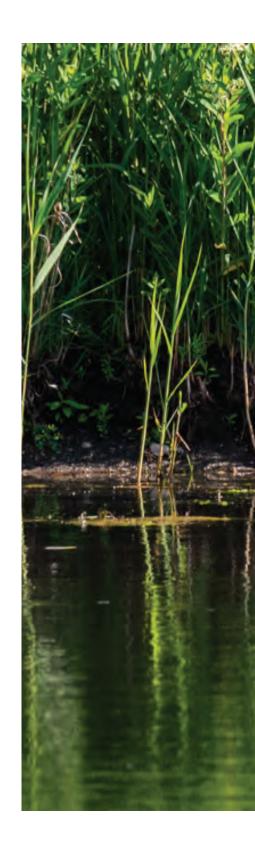
- because it is the people of Waubonsee who create our community.

This report also tells the story of our Strategic Plan. We have now completed year one of Waubonsee's three-year Strategic Plan that is built upon the three pillars of Student Equity and Success, Community Connections, and Employee and Organizational Excellence. You will see these common threads woven through each of the stories shared. As we begin year two, we acknowledge the impact of recent transformative events in our community and country which highlight the importance and urgency of our work within these three pillars.

I firmly believe in the power of education to changes lives because I have personally witnessed it many times during my more than 40 years within the Illinois community college system. With each Annual Report, it is our intention to share these powerful stories with our community. And there is no greater time than now to witness and experience the powerful, life-changing impact of education.

Christine J. Adul

Christine J. Sobek, Ed.D., President



MISSION

Waubonsee Community College is a public, comprehensive community college that was organized in 1966 as mandated by the Illinois Community College Act to provide education and training services for individuals in portions of Kane, Kendall, DeKalb, LaSalle and Will counties of District 516.

The philosophy of Waubonsee Community College is based on the premise that education is the cornerstone of a literate, democratic society; that learning is a lifelong process; and that the pursuit of knowledge must be supported by institutional policies that demonstrate the values of quality, value, innovation, service and accessibility.

VISION

Waubonsee Community College opens the door of knowledge, sparks imaginations, and enlightens lives through learning. We welcome the diverse abilities, goals, and experiences of individuals standing on the threshold of discovery. Our success is defined by the dreams we help shape, the opportunities we help design, and the futures we help create.

CORE VALUES

Quality — We constantly redefine what it means to be "the best," seeking to improve in every area and exceed the expectations of those we serve.

Value — We focus every resource directly on the search for learning, creating tangible benefits in everything we do.

Innovation — We are actively engaged on the frontiers of education, continuously improving the learning environment for our students and communities.

Service — We view the world from the perspective of those we serve — anticipating needs and striving to exceed expectations while demonstrating a caring, knowledgeable, consistent connection with each individual every time they meet us.

Accessibility — We remove barriers to learning formed by time, geography, education, culture, experience or beliefs to provide a full range of quality educational opportunities for all who can benefit.

Waubonsee has always been a resource for people looking for the opportunity to change their lives through the power of education. It is because of those changes—those transformations—in people's lives, that we have our own Transformational Statement that guides our decision making:

Waubonsee shapes futures through global, amplified learning that creates lifetime connections and knowledge growth.

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Angela Nwalie Montgomery Student Trustee 2019-2020

Visit **waubonsee.edu/bot** for more information on the board of trustees as well as the schedule of board meetings and minutes of past meetings.



STUDEN SENATE

Waubonsee's Student Senate is a group of 12 student-leaders voted on by the student body. The members of the Senate serve their fellow students by serving college committees and providing critical student perspective and feedback. The leadership skills and experience these students gain while Senators enhance their time at Waubonsee and beyond.

STRATEGICPLAN

The Waubonsee Community College 2020-2022 Strategic Plan is focused on moving the college forward so that we will be known as the top choice for learning in our community.

In 2018 the college conducted a Community Needs Assessment that gave us feedback from more than 1,500 people in our community. We conducted focus group sessions with students, held listening sessions with our employees, and we talked to area employers, our Board of Trustees, and other stakeholders. These conversations led us to base our Strategic Plan on three pillars:

- Student Equity and Success
- Community Connections
- Employee and Organizational Excellence

Specific goals support each of our three pillars and progress toward accomplishing these goals is measured by the metrics within our Collece Scorecard. We invite you to read our Strategic Plan at waubonsee.edu/strategicplan and the College Scorecard at waubonsee.edu/scorecard.

For 53 years, Waubonsee has grown and transformed with the growth and changing needs of the communities we proudly serve. Our Strategic Plan continues that tradition of connection to our community. We continue to strive for transformation in our programs and services, because Waubonsee is more than college. It is *community* college.





Kenyon Helm came to Waubonsee to study engineering, but he did not do as well academically as he could have. In the fall of 2019 he joined Waubonsee's Transforming and Impacting Undergraduate Men Pursuing Higher Education (TRIUMPH) Program and began to excel. Kenyon graduated in May 2020.

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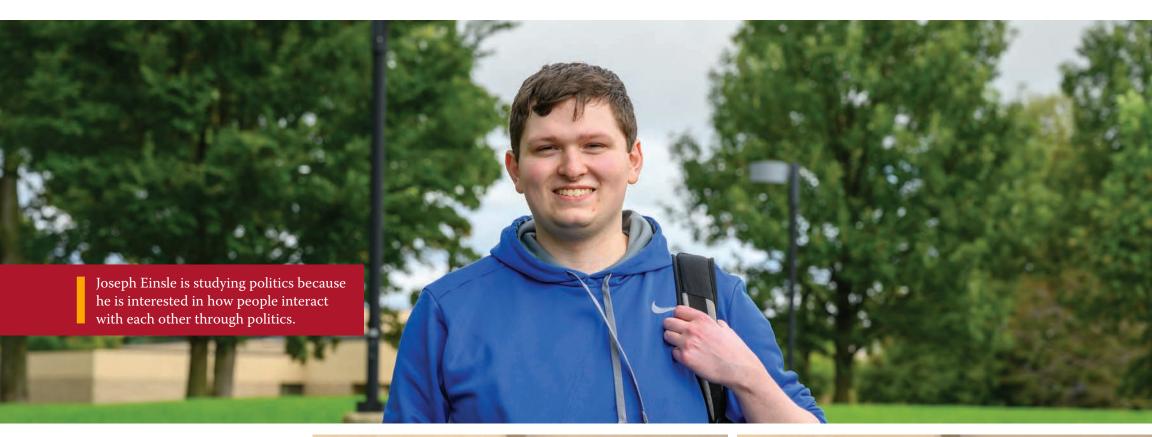
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Michael Chinn and Matt Maltese began rewarding careers as drafters after studying computer aided design and drafting at Waubonsee.

Natalie Wakileh spent a year working in a Palestinian refugee camp in Israel and is now studying political science in order to help shape policies that involve people of Arab descent.



Rodolfo Maldonado graduated from Waubonsee's Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Program in 2018 and Mark McCarney started the program in 2019. Both had other careers before training in HVAC and are now starting careers in new fields.





The experience made me realize that I am on the right path to helping the planet and realizing my dreams."

Roxana Garcia

Roxana Garcia was selected to study climate change in Estonia.

Arlene Castaneda worked in human resources for 10 years and wanted to take business classes to help her in her career. The Hartford Apprenticeship Program was a natural fit.

STORIES OF <u>COMMUNITY</u> CONNECTIONS



HARTFORD APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

One of the primary reasons for Waubonsee's community connections and partnerships is to connect students to jobs. There is no better example of this than The Hartford Apprenticeship Program. This program gives students the opportunity to work in the insurance industry as employees of The Hartford as they earn their degree. In addition to the income, the apprentices' tuition is paid for and they get on-the-job experience. *We are working to help students think* about life not just in high school but life in college and even beyond that."

Dr. Jamie Max

WAUBONSEE HELPS **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS** THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

Waubonsee's community connections benefit students from high school through their 4-year degrees. Waubonsee's partnerships with area school districts, the Indian Valley Vocational Center, and the Fox Valley Career Center allow students to earn college credit while in high school, and Waubonsee's transfer pathways help students move smoothly to their bachelor's degree at universities across the area.

We know that students who enter post-secondary education with dual credit are more likely to complete the degree than those without. It is also beneficial for students to take college-level courses while in high school to help prepare them for the rigor and expectations of a college while still having the resources of a high school."

Whitney Martino



School District 129, and Whitney Martino Assistant Principal at West Aurora High School



We want students to think about their next step, which may or may not include a college degree. We prepare them for that next step, whatever that may be for them."

> Laura Edwards, Assistant Director at Indian Valley **Vocational Center**



STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM COLLEGE PATHWAYS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Left to right: Rebecca Oliver, Chair of the Board of Trustees; Sarah Kocunik, Graduation and Transfer Coordinator at Waubonsee; Jerry Montag, Director of Registration and Records at NIU; Martin Sauer, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Athletics at North Central College; Holly Herrera, Associate Provost for Transfer Initiatives and Academic Partnerships at Columbia College; Kelli Sinclair, Dean for Student Success and Retention at Waubonsee; Dr. Christine Sobek, President of Waubonsee Community College. I am hopeful that we can make our community the kind of place where we can combat ignorance, take intellectual risks, and champion the cause of civilizing in an uncivilized world."

Dr. Aaron Lawler

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EMPLOYEE AND ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE





OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER AWARD

Dr. Aaron Lawler, Assistant Professor of Humanities

OUTSTANDING ADJUNCT FACULTY MEMBER AWARDS

Maria Fischer (non-credit), Adult Education Dr. Samantha Solecki (credit), Mathematics and Sciences

In addition to the awards that Waubonsee presents for excellence, other Waubonsee employees and leaders were recognized by other colleges and organizations.

Rick Guzman,

Board of Trustees; Northern Illinois University College of Law Young Alumnus Award

Dr. Jeanne McDonald,

Professor of English; National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Faculty Excellence Award

Dr. Laura Ortiz,

Dean for Faculty Development and Engagement; Distinguished Alumni Award from Iowa State University of Department of World Languages and Culture

Bill Trunkhill,

Professor of Mathematics; Influential Educator Award from the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-Plattville

Linda O'Connell-Knuth,

Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education; 2019-2020 Illinois Gateways to Opportunity Faculty Fellow

• Steve Zusman,

Associate Professor of Philosophy; American Association of Community Colleges Dale P. Parnell Faculty Distinction Recognition

SUPPORT STAFF AWARDS:

Carolyn Chrusciel

Administrative Specialist for Business and Career Technologies Department Service and Quality Award

• Ellen Rogers Bookstore Technology Coordinator Innovation and Creativity Award

• **Dr. Chassie Sherretz** *Academic Success Initiatives Manager* Diversity and Inclusion Award





DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTOR AND ALUMNUS

DISTINGUISHED AWARDS

The Distinguished Contributor Award is presented each year to an individual, a group of individuals, or organizations who have made an outstanding contribution or given exemplary support to Waubonsee Community College. Those nominated have supported the operations of the college in either a personal or professional capacity and have contributed to the growth and expansion of the college's mission. Nominees for the award are recognized by the college staff, community residents and officials, or college leaders as having made an extraordinary commitment to promoting the college and its mission.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award is presented each year to an outstanding graduate of Waubonsee Community College. Awardees have distinguished themselves in their chosen profession, have documented evidence of contribution and service to their community, and demonstrated a continued interest in lifelong education.



DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTOR: ANGELO KLERONOMOS

Mr. Kleronomos, Owner, Property Concepts, Inc., has served on the Waubonsee Foundation Board of Directors for nearly 17 years and has served as co-chair of the Revenue Generating Committee for 15 years. In addition, Mr. Kleronomos demonstrates his personal commitment to the college through generous scholarship support, the creation of three endowed scholarships, and has played key roles on several special campaigns.



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS: MARY ELLEN THIELEMANN

Ms. Thielemann, Managing Director, CIBC Bank, graduated from Waubonsee Community College in 1998 and has worked in a managing role in the banking industry for more than 35 years. She is active within the community serving on numerous boards and through membership in various service organizations. Ms. Thielemann served as one of five John J. Swalec, Jr. President's Achievement Awards judges in 2019.

A TALE OF TWO YEARS

This year began as most others have with summer Youth Enrichment Programs (YEP!) going on throughout the summer of 2019. In August, Rep. Bill Foster and Rep. Lauren Underwood held a discussion on the Sugar Grove to discuss the challenges of student loan debt. Then fall classes began and the academic year was underway. As usual, the college hosted several events throughout the fall semester. Some of these events were Advance CTE, a group of leaders responsible for Career and Technical Education across the country; a meeting of the Illinois Board of Higher Education; representatives from the Hispanic Association of Colleges & Universities; and a discussion by Mr. Joe Dittmar, who was on the 105th floor of the Two World Trade Center when a plane struck the building on 9-11-01.





The fall semester also brought long-standing events like College Night, our Veterans Day event, and Congress to Campus, as well as new events like Reg Rally that helped students register for spring classes.





Congress to Campus









Jeanne Schultz Angel, 100th Anniversary of Woman's Suffrage "Casting a Historic Vote: Suffrage in Illinois"





The college's Council for Access and Inclusion *hosted several events* throughout the year such as the Bear Clan Dancers and Singers during Native American Heritage Month, a presentation marking the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage, and several events to mark Black History Month. We also celebrated Carolyne Amelse, a former Waubonsee student who received the Illinois Community College Trustee Association Pacesetter Award.



During Spring Break 2020, Waubonsee became an online college nearly overnight. Our long history as a leader in distance education helped many Waubonsee faculty quickly shift and adapt to teaching online. Staff members rapidly adjusted to the transformation providing student and academic support services virtually. In addition to classes moving online, programs like New Student Orientation and New Employee Orientation moved online, as well.







Tree Campus USA[®] recognition for the 10th consecutive year and fielded its newest team in competitive athletics: Esports. Also, to help meet the needs of our community during the pandemic, the college developed and fielded a Contract Tracing Program that prepared people for this vital work.

Esports



The college said farewell to Dave Quillen, Executive Vice President of Finance and Operations, who retired in May. We wish Dave the very best in retirement and we welcome Doug Minter, Vice President of Finance and Administration.

SUSTAINED DIALOGUES

In June 2020 our communities and nation entered a new phase of dialogue about race relations. As part of that societal dialogue, Waubonsee began a Sustained Dialogue series with Dr. J.Q. Adams, professor emeritus at Western Illinois University. These discussions with different groups of Waubonsee employees were designed to help us know our individual blind spots with regard to race relations.

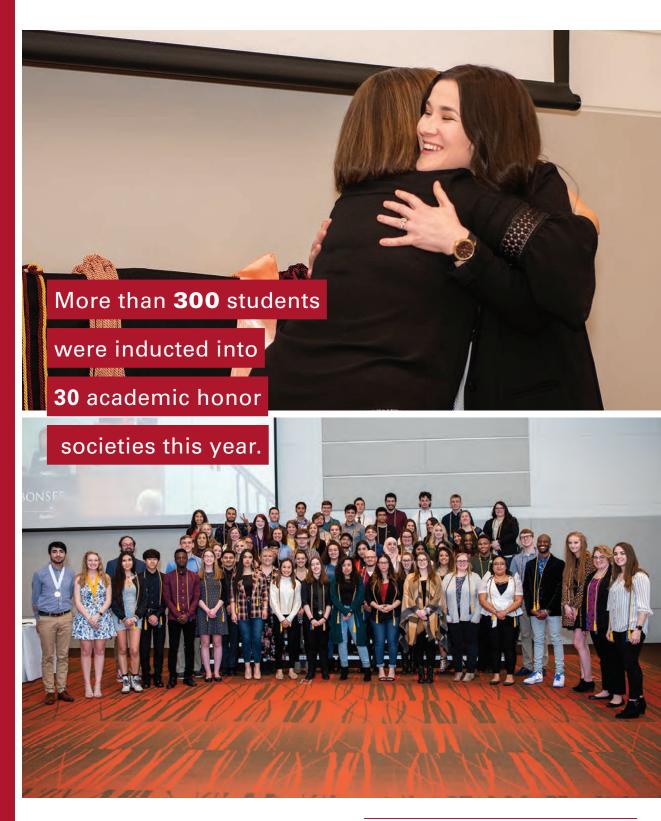
CELEBRATING STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Staff, faculty and community members cheer on students at the drive-thru graduation celebration on June 5. This year, we mourned with students everywhere the loss of treasured end-of-year traditions that have historically celebrated and recognized their dedication, hard work, and accomplishments. And this year in particular, we applaud our students for their perseverance in the face of unexpected obstacles.

To celebrate this year's graduates, Waubonsee held a virtual commencement ceremony and mailed a special celebratory box containing their diploma, cap, tassel, commemorative commencement program, and a welcome gift from the Waubonsee Alumni Association. In addition, we hosted a drive-thru celebration for graduates on the Sugar Grove Campus. It was wonderful to see the joy, including some joyful tears, on everyone's faces as we cheered our graduates on to their next chapter.

And every year we are inspired and energized by the success of our students.

Visit waubonsee.edu/graduation to see videos of both the virtual commencement ceremony and the drivethru celebration.



ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME



MAXZINE ROSSLER

Women's Soccer and Women's Basketball

Maxzine Rossler is the Chief's women's soccer scoring leader having set 18 scoring records. In 2010 she was third in the country in scoring and was named the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Second-Team All-American and the Region IV and Illinois Skyway Collegiate Conference (ISCC) Player of the Year. In 2011 she was second in the nation in goals and third in points. That year she was the NJCAA All-American and was selected to the All-ISCC and All Region First Teams. In basketball, Rossler earned All-ISCC honors both years at Waubonsee. She was named Waubonsee's Female Athlete of the Year in 2012. She transferred to Purdue University-Northwest where she still holds nine school records in soccer while continuing to play basketball.

JOHN BELL Cross Country and Men's Tennis Coach

John Bell guided Waubonsee's Cross Country Program from 1984-2014. In that time he led the Chiefs to 22 Illinois Skyway Collegiate Conference (ISCC) titles. He was the conference Cross Country Coach of the Year 17 times. Under his coaching, Waubonsee teams won 12 Region IV titles with 127 runners earning All-ISCC honors and 99 runners earning All-Region status. Bell also coached the men's tennis team for 13 years and earned the ISCC Men's Sports Coach of the Year Award in 2001.

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Visit gochiefs.com/HOF to learn more about the Chiefs' Hall of Fame members.

ROBIN REDER *Basketball, Baseball*

Robin Reder led the Chiefs men's basketball team to the ISCC title in 1974. He then represented Waubonsee in the North-South All-Start game in 1975. In addition to his basketball performance, Reder earned All-ISCC honors as a baseball player his sophomore year. That year he helped the Chiefs go undefeated in the ISCC to win the college's first-ever conference baseball championship. He transferred to Aurora University and after he graduated he returned to Waubonsee to serve as an assistant baseball coach.

DICK DURRANT AWARDS

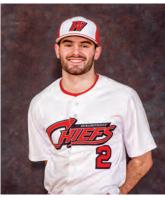
The "Dick Durrant Award" is given each year to the male and female athlete in the Skyway Conference who attains the highest grade point average after completing four semesters of college work and at least 48 semester hours of credit.



RIANE TOMSA Volleyball, Women's Basketball



TYLER VENDITTI Baseball



CARTER WARDELL *Baseball*



HAILEY WILCOX Women's Tennis

FOUNDATION

The coronavirus pandemic impacted many students' ability to continue their academic journey because of financial struggles to pay for basic needs like food and housing. To help keep students on their journey, Waubonsee employees and members of the community donated more than \$10,000 to the college's Emergency Needs Fund and the Waubonsee Foundation matched donations up to \$10,000.

In addition to the Emergency Needs Fund, more than 600 Waubonsee students received more than \$600,000 from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. Receiving this scholarship has helped me in so many ways that will last beyond this one school year because the education that I receive will open up a new world to me."

Yin May Aung Recipient of the Waubonsee Faculty Council Awards Endowed Academic Scholarship

To help, visit **waubonsee.edu/donate** Visit **waubonsee.edu/foundation** to learn about applying for 2021-2022 scholarships.



NEW SCHOLARSHIP DONORS FOR 2019-2020

Back row, left to right: Jennifer Jones Sinnott (Greater Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship), Cliff Luxion (WCC Faculty Council Awards Endowed Scholarship for Early Childhood Education), Dr. Christine Sobek (College President), Penny Cameron (Foundation President), Rob Barto (Beth Ann Barto, RN Memorial Scholarship)

Front row, left to right: Grace Gould (Moms and More Oswego Area Scholarship), Stephanie Roskopf (Kiwanis Club of Yorkville, Illinois Scholarship), Heather Daley (Moms and More Oswego Area Scholarship), Kathy Mayyou (Moms and More Oswego Area Scholarship), Jessica Thayer (Moms and More Oswego Area Scholarship)

OTHER NEW SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED FOR 2019-2020

Aurora Strong First Responders Scholarship Gerry & Robyn Dempsey Family Endowed Veterans Scholarship Education Matters Endowed Scholarship Hand-in-Hand Scholarship Rich Family Endowed Scholarship

Katharine S. Richards Memorial Scholarship Jason Saccone Memorial Scholarship David & Velda Tremain Endowed Engineering Scholarship VIA Manufacturing & Technology Annual Scholarship Weldstar Annual Scholarship

2019-2020 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Robert Barto Foundation Executive Director and College Chief Advancement Officer

> In April 2020, the Waubonsee Community College Foundation awarded **\$328,175** in scholarships to **326** students for the **2020**-**2021** academic year.

SCHOLARSHIPfest



Each year, the Waubonsee Community College Foundation hosts Scholarship Fest, a celebration that brings together scholarship recipients, donors, and members of the Waubonsee community.

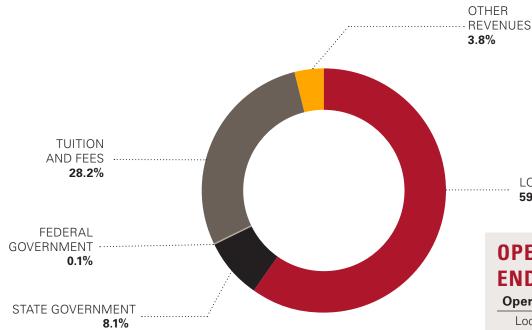
The 2019 speaker was Susan Rogaliner. Rogaliner established the Gibby Monokoski Memorial Endowed Music Scholarship in 2014 in memory of her late husband who devoted forty years of his life to teaching music students at Waubonsee. Rogaliner emphasized not only the profound impact that her late husband had on his students but the impact that his students had on him as well. She shared that her motivation in establishing a scholarship was to continue her husband's legacy of changing students' lives through education.





FINANCIALS

Waubonsee Community College operates under a conservative budgeting model that supports fiscal responsibility while providing a strong financial commitment to the college's teaching and learning focus. For fiscal year 2020, the college again received a clean, unmodified audit opinion from its external auditing firm. This confirms the accuracy, professional competence and transparency exhibited by Waubonsee's financial reporting. The college's financial position continues to remain strong. The following charts reflect the actual results of the college for the Operating Funds which consist of the Education Fund and the Operations and Maintenance Fund.



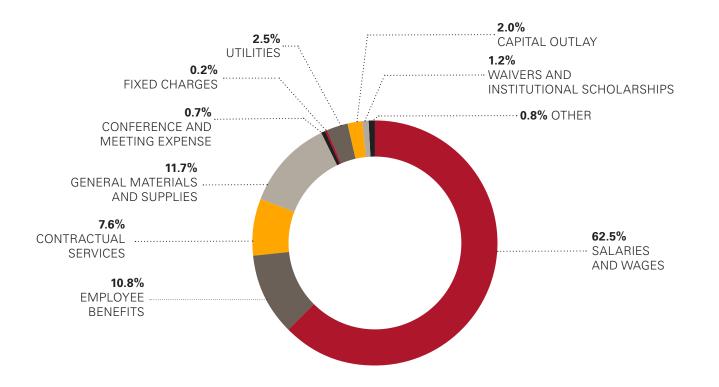
FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING REVENUES BY SOURCE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT 59.8%

OPERATING REVENUES FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30 (in millions)

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Operating Revenue	2018	2019	2020
Local Government	\$ 41.6	\$ 42.9	\$ 44.5
State Government	5.5	5.6	6.0
Federal Government	0.2	0.2	0.1
Tuition and Fees	22.6	21.6	21.0
Other Revenues	2.5	3.0	2.8
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$ 72.4	\$ 73.3	\$ 74.4

FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING EXPENSES



OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30 (in millions)

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perating Expenses	2018	2019	2020
Salaries and Wages	\$ 37.3	\$ 36.5	\$37.0
Employee Benefits	6.6	6.3	6.4
Contractual Services	4.1	5.5	4.5
General Material and Supplies	7.1	6.5	6.9
Conference and Meeting Expense	0.8	0.8	0.4
Fixed Charges	0.1	0.1	0.1
Utilities	1.9	1.7	1.5
Capital Outlay	0.9	0.3	1.2
Waivers and Institutional Scholarships	0.9	0.7	0.7
Other	0.9	0.5	0.5
OTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 60.6	\$ 58.9	\$ 59.2

RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

For the 21st consecutive year, as a testament to Waubonsee's diligence and skills in financial stewardship, the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded the college a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2019. This is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government financial reports.

Waubonsee is one of only 4% of community colleges in the country that annually publish a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and who receive a clean unmodified opinion on their financial statements from their independent auditor and receive the coveted GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

FACTS_{AND FIGURES}

OUR STAFF

Waubonsee is one of the area's largest employers. The college's staff includes:

- 98 full-time faculty
- 360 adjunct faculty
- **39** administrators
- 611 support staff

1,627 degrees and certificates were awarded in the 2019-2020 academic year.

OUR OFFERINGS

- Transfer Programs
- Workforce Education and Training
- Pre-College Programs
- Community Education
- Student Services

OUR SUGAR GROVE CAMPUS AUBORA DOWNTOWN CAMPUS DISTRICT ALIBORA FOX VALLEY CAMPLE PLANO CAMPUS

Encompasses 624 square miles

Includes southern Kane County and portions of Kendall, DeKalb, LaSalle and Will counties

Serves 22 municipalities and 12 public school districts with 13 public high schools.

2020 district population estimate: 454,127



Projected population in 2030:

461,943

OUR STUDENTS

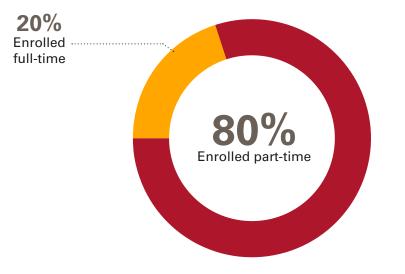
39,949 people have graduated from Waubonsee since the college was established, earning **22,921** certificates and **27,437** degrees



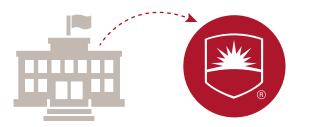


7,048 noncredit enrollments



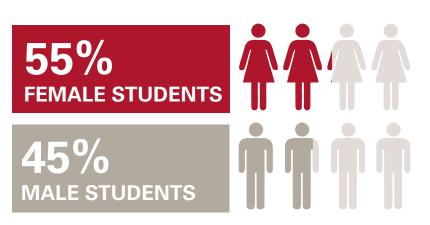


19% of area high school graduates enroll the following fall at Waubonsee

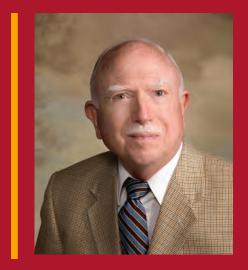


Sources: ICCB/IPEDS and internal reports for FY2020

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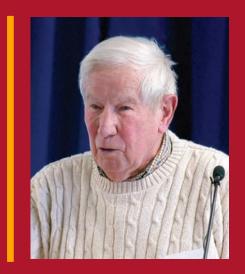


REMEMBERING OUR FOUNDERS AND LEADERS



Richard C. Bodie, M.D.

Richard C. Bodie, M.D., passed away on January 19. 2020. Dr. Bodie served on the college's board of trustees from 1998 until he retired in April 2019. Dr. Bodie was appointed to the board after his wife, Janet Bodie, passed away in November 1997. He ran for election to the position after his initial appointed term. He served as a member of the board's Policy Committee and he served as the college's representative to the Illinois Community College Trustee Association (ICCTA). Dr. Bodie established the Janet Bodie Memorial Scholarship in memory of his late wife. In 1992, Bodie Hall was named in honor of Mrs. Bodie. The Bodie family service to Waubonsee Community College spanned 38 years.



Dale Von Ohlen

Mr. Dale Von Ohlen, passed away on November 10. 2019. Von Ohlen served as the Aurora representative on the Steering Committee that formed Waubonsee Community College. He then served as a member of the Waubonsee Community College Board of Trustees from 1966-1983, serving as Board Chair from 1966-1971. Mr. Von Ohlen also established the college's first scholarship, the Marie Von Ohlen Memorial Scholarship. He was also instrumental in establishing the college's Gustafson Scholarships. In 1981, the college's Fine Arts Building on the Sugar Grove Campus was renamed Von Ohlen Hall in recognition of Von Ohlen's significant service to and impact on the college.

LOOKINGAHEAD

While this year has been one that we will look back on with amazement, we look forward to a future that will also be looked back on amazement for different reasons. In the coming year, we look forward to expanding on the great work that's already done under our current Strategic Plan. This fall, our Plano Campus reopened as the college's Innovation and Design Center. This campus is now home to the college's new Cybersecurity Program and the new home of an expanded Welding Program, along with other course offerings. Also, Von Ohlen Hall on the Sugar Grove Campus, home to most of our music and art programs, was reopened following a beautiful renovation that is certain to inspire creativity. Our 2020-2021 academic year is off to a great start!

"...it was the age of wisdom,
it was the age of foolishness,
it was the epoch of belief,
it was the epoch of incredulity,
it was the season of Light,
it was the season of Darkness,
it was the spring of hope,
it was the winter of despair,..."

Charles Dickens, A Tale of Two Cities





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