



Bevill State Community College

SACS Reaffirmation of Accreditation Compliance Certification

Core Requirement 2.9

The institution, through ownership or formal arrangements or agreements, provides and supports student and faculty access and user privileges to adequate library collections and services and to other learning/information resources consistent with the degrees offered. Collections, resources, and services are sufficient to support all its educational, research, and public service programs. (**Learning Resources and Services**)

Judgment of Compliance:

Compliance **Partial Compliance** **Non-Compliance**

Rationale for Judgment of Compliance:

The Bevill State Community College Library supports the [mission](#) of the College to provide excellence in teaching and learning. This is accomplished in part by centrally locating library facilities on each campus to provide services and resources for faculty, students, and community patrons. The Library's collections, services and resources, as explained in detail below, specifically support the College's degree and certificate programs.

The Bevill State Community College [Library Mission Statement](#) forms the basis for the library collections and services, ensuring access to resources sufficient to support the College's pursuit of excellence in teaching, learning, and public service. In pursuit of its mission, the Library offers an ample array of services, such as course reserve materials, library instruction, [interlibrary loans](#), document delivery, access to electronic [databases](#), Internet services, reciprocal library borrowing, and access to the [Alabama Virtual Library Collection](#).

Furthermore, the Library's collections include print, multimedia, and electronic materials. For example, the Library houses 109,869 books, 263 eBooks, 250 current periodical titles, 34 newspapers, 4,335 multimedia resources (DVDs, videos), 97,428 government documents, and access to the Alabama Virtual Library Collection. Students, faculty, and staff can access to the Library databases at any time or any place through the Internet.

The Library also provides learning resources that promote information literacy and life-long learning. The Library sponsors cultural events and activities, such as poetry readings and lecturers on special topics. Additionally, library staff prepares book displays around a

new theme each month to promote the Library and use of its collections, services, and information resources.

Additional learning resources are provided by the Library in support of the College's mission. For instance, computer workstations with campus-wide licensed software are available for word processing, Internet research, and student email. Equipment for listening and viewing of audio and visual materials and a photocopier to allow convenient reproduction of sources are available to Library patrons. General library information may be found in the [library's informational brochure](#). [Statistics](#) for pertinent services follow:

- Hours of Operation: 60 hours per week
- Circulation (2006-2007): Books: 15,207; Media: 1,923
- Reserves (2006-2007): 457
- Interlibrary Loan (2006-2007): 103
- Reference inquiries (2006-2007): 425 per week (average)
- Internet Accessibility (2006-2007): 41,902
- Bibliographical Instruction (2006-2007): 197
- Attendance (2006-2007): 3,939
- Information and other presentations to groups (2006-2007): 75.

To provide additional support, the Library has formal agreements with the following entities to provide information access and services:

- [Birmingham-Southern College](#)
- [University of Alabama at Birmingham](#)
- [Miles College](#)
- [Jefferson State Community College](#)
- [Lawson State Community College](#)
- [Carl Elliot Regional Library/Jasper Public Library](#)
- [Fayette Public Library](#)
- [Clyde Nix Public Library](#)
- [Pickens County Cooperative Library](#)

Some library resources are housed in various program/departments on the campuses for more efficient student and faculty access (for example, Health Science/Nursing, Welding and Air Conditioning & Refrigeration). Several professional accrediting agencies conduct a review of library resources as part of the accreditation process and have determined that the library resources are sufficient to support studies in their disciplines (for example, [Nursing programs](#) or [Auto Body Repair](#)).

The chart below sums-up data relating to the Library on each campus at the College:

LIBRARY RESOURCES INFORMATION						
Campus	Total Sq. Ft.	# of Volumes	Special Collections	Staff	Hours of Operation	Other Services
Fayette	9,280 sq. ft.	39,173	Civil War Collection Government Documents Collection	1 Professional Librarian 1 Library Technical Assistant 1 Library Assistant	Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Closed: Saturday and Sunday	2 Study Rooms 2 Viewing Room 11 Computer Workstations
Hamilton	4,245 sq. ft.	13,347	Arrow Head Collection	1 Professional Librarian 1 Library Technical Assistant 1 Library Assistant	Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Closed: Saturday and Sunday	13 Computer Workstations
Jasper	11,750 sq. ft.	26,973	Alabama Collection	1 Professional Librarian 1 Library Technical Assistant 1 Library Assistant	Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Closed: Saturday and Sunday	3 Study Rooms 2 Viewing Room Computer Lab 18 Computer Workstations
Pickens County	516 sq. ft.	1,200		Librarian Position Announced	Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Closed: Saturday and Sunday	5 Computer Workstations
Sumiton	5,526 sq. ft.	29,176	Japanese Collection	1 Professional Librarian 1 Library Technical Assistant 1 Library Assistant	Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Closed: Saturday and Sunday	13 Computer Workstations Adjacent Viewing Room

Finally, the Library strives to continually improve its support of Beville State Community College’s mission. Therefore, it conducts annual user-surveys of administration, faculty, staff, and students. [Survey results](#) of those who responded in 2008 show a high satisfaction rate with the adequacy of the library collection of books, audio visuals,

periodicals, and databases (90%).

References and Supporting Documentation:

Keyword(s)	Reference
Mission	Strategic Plan 2007-2010 Volume II, page 6
Library Mission Statement	Library Mission Statement
Interlibrary loans	Library Policies and Procedures
Databases	BSCC Electronic Library Database
Alabama Virtual Library	AVL information
Library's informational brochure	Library Brochure 2009
Statistics	Library Statistical Report Aug 2004 – Jul 2008
Birmingham-Southern College	Birmingham-Southern College Agreement
University of Alabama at Birmingham	University of Alabama at Birmingham Agreement
Miles College	Miles College Agreement
Jefferson State Community College	Jefferson State Community College Agreement
Lawson State Community College	Lawson State Community College Agreement
Carl Elliot Regional Library/Jasper Public Library	Carl Elliot Regional Library/Jasper Public Library Agreement
Fayette Public Library	Fayette Public Library Agreement
Clyde Nix Public Library	Clyde Nix Public Library Agreement
Pickens County Cooperative Library	Pickens County Cooperative Library Agreement
Nursing programs	Library Nursing Sheets
Auto Body Repair	Automotive Technology library resources
Survey results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library and Support Services Evaluation Results 2008 (Students) • Library and Support Services Evaluation Results 2008 (Staff)