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## [BRTC Officials Attend National Shot Show and Arkansas Governor's Reception](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 04, 2020 02:00 am*

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## [TO BE HELD 2/6 IN PARAGOULD](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 04, 2020 01:23 am*

POCAHONTAS, AR Feb. 4 – The next meeting of the BRTC Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 6, beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Paragould site located at 2402 North 12th Avenue. The meeting will be held in the Green County Industrial Training Center in ITC 105. [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC Signs Memorandum of Agreement with SAU](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 03, 2020 09:00 am*

BRTC president Dr. Martin Eggensperger and SAU president Dr. Trey Berry POCAHONTAS, AR Feb. 3 – Black River Technical College president Dr. Martin Eggensperger signed an agreement with South Arkansas University (SAU) president Dr. Trey Berry to offer select SAU bachelor's degrees to BRTC students without students having to ever leave Pocahontas or Paragould. SAU ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC Approved to Offer New Gunsmithing Program Beginning Fall 2020](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Jan 31, 2020 06:25 am*

POCAHONTAS, AR Jan. 31 – On Friday, January 31, the Arkansas Division of Higher Education (ADHE) approved Black River Technical College to offer a 2-year Associate of Applied Science in Gunsmithing Technology, a 1-year Technical Certificate in Gunsmithing Technology, and three 1-semester certificates of proficiency in Gunsmithing Technology. “BRTC is excited to offer credentials in ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Elizabeth Collins Assists the Office of Institutional Advancement](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Jan 30, 2020 08:04 am*



POCAHONTAS, AR Jan. 30 — Beginning in Spring 2020, Elizabeth Collins, BRTC Paragould English faculty member, will be working with the Office of Institutional Advancement to provide better media coverage and fundraising support for the Paragould campus. Elizabeth will be writing articles about Paragould events and activities, be in charge of the BRTC Foundation Scholarship ... [Read in browser »](#)

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## [BRTC Agriculture Attends County Ag Expo](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 11, 2020 02:49 am*

BRTC Ag instructor, Shauna Taylor, attended the annual Ag Expo on Friday. BRTC was very excited to host this event on campus. [Read in browser »](#)

## [Student Spotlight: Jon Defries](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 11, 2020 01:46 am*

Our newest BRTC Student Spotlight tells us about his experience in working his way through an industry and creating goals! Jon Defries started working for ARI in Paragould in 2005 as a level 1 welder. He moved through the ranks as a level 2 operator, level 2 lead person, and then became a group leader. ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Regular BRTC Board of Trustees Meeting Hears of Alternative Resource Locations and Federal Award](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 10, 2020 01:41 am*

Dr. Martin Eggensperger, left, and Board chair Carolyn Collins POCAHONTAS, AR Feb. 10, 2020 – On Thursday, February 6, the Board of Trustees for Black River Technical College held their regularly scheduled meeting at the Paragould location. President Martin Eggensperger and Rhonda Stone, vice president of finance, announced that reserves have not been touched this ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [FastCourse Microsoft Excel Level 1, 2, and 3](#)

*By Cally Shore on Feb 05, 2020 10:09 am*

Attend Level 1 and learn introduction to worksheets, how to rearrange data, how to manage multiple worksheets, and how to organize large amounts of data. Attend Level 2 and learn advanced formatting, date and time functions, conditional formatting, and advanced functions for text and analysis. Attend Level 3 and learn how to work with tables ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Spring Fishing Workshop](#)

*By Cally Shore on Feb 05, 2020 09:40 am*

Take this opportunity to learn how to identify Ozark game fish, a basic understanding of Bass behavior, how, where, and when to catch Walleye fish, proven techniques, and the accompanying gear for fishing success. Attend this four-class workshop taught by, avid anglers, Alec Shore and Jordan Barber. This class will be held on

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## [Program Showcase: Machine Tool Technology](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 18, 2020 01:46 am*

February 18, 2020 — February is Career and Technical Education month and BRTC is proud to highlight some of our CTE degrees. Machine Tool Technology students learn skills which can help them in a variety of occupations. Students can become machinists and work in industry setting up and working on a variety of machines. Machinists often ... [Read in browser »](#)



## [Practice Reciting Primary Source Materials](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 17, 2020 01:41 am*

Students from left to right – Preston Crawford, John Jones, Alicia Johnson, Karrington Johnson, Shailyn Moore, Aspen Mattox, Natalie Mallard, Paul Hutcheson, Desiree Floyd, and Julie Walker  
Students pictured above recited the following:  
History instructor Dr. Dianna Fraley has incorporated a unique project in her history classes. Her U.S. to 1876 history classes have ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [Boozman's State Director McClure Visits BRTC LETA](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 16, 2020 03:15 pm*

Left to right: Stacey McClure, President Martin Eggensperger, Courtney Nance February 16, 2020 – Last week, U.S. Senator John Boozman's state director Stacey McClure and Courtney Nance from the Jonesboro office visited Black River Technical College's LETA program and the VIRTRA Law Enforcement simulator. Their tour gave them a better understanding of training for law enforcement ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC Signs Memorandum of Agreement with ATU](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 14, 2020 05:55 am*

From left to right: Alan Haskins, BRTC fire science instructor; Dr. Mary Gunter, Chief of Staff; Dr. Sandy Smith, Department Head of Emergency Management Administration; Dr. Jeff Aulgur, Interim Dean of the College of eTech; Sissy Gray, BRTC director of assessment and accreditation; Phillip Dickson, BRTC dean of business and technical programs; Dr. David Ward, ... [Read in](#)

## [Spring Fishing Workshop](#)

*By Cally Shore on Feb 12, 2020 08:32 pm*

Take this opportunity to learn how to identify Ozark game fish, a basic understanding of Bass behavior, how, where, and when to catch Walleye fish, proven techniques, and the accompanying gear for fishing success. Attend this four-class workshop taught by, avid anglers, Alec Shore and Jordan Barber. This class will be held on Thursdays, February ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [ServSafe Food Safety Training Certification](#)

*By Cally Shore on Feb 12, 2020 04:06 am*

The ServSafe® training and assessment program is a complete solution that delivers consistent food safety training to employees. This training is offered on Saturday, March 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the BRTC Pocahontas Campus. Registration will be taken through the deadline, Thursday, March 5, or until the class is full. For additional ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [BRTC Allied Health Support American Heart Month](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 12, 2020 01:53 am*

Our Allied Health students, faculty, and staff joined forces to support American Heart Month. Heart disease is the leading cause of death among Americans, especially women. The more awareness we have the better we can treat, beat and prevent cardiovascular disease. [Read in browser »](#)

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## [100% of December Practical Nursing Graduates Pass NCLEX](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 20, 2020 01:27 am*

February 20, 2020 — The Practical Nursing class of December 2019 completed a 3-day National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) review provided by Renee Lewis, an employee of Assessment Technologies Institute. Practical nursing students must pass the NCLEX examination in order to receive an LPN license. BRTC is pleased to announce that all 22 of the ... [Read in browser »](#)

## [First Promotional Video Created In-House](#)

*By Karen Liebhaber on Feb 19, 2020 02:00 am*

February 19, 2020 — For 3 months, BRTC instructional technologist Holly Looney spent a great deal of time in front of an Apple computer in the back of the Distance Education and Instructional Technology department at BRTC in

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