

THE CENTER FOR STUDENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

At Pellissippi State Community College





RENOVATED GYMNASIUM IS THE HOME OF THE CENTER

WHAT IS THE CENTER?

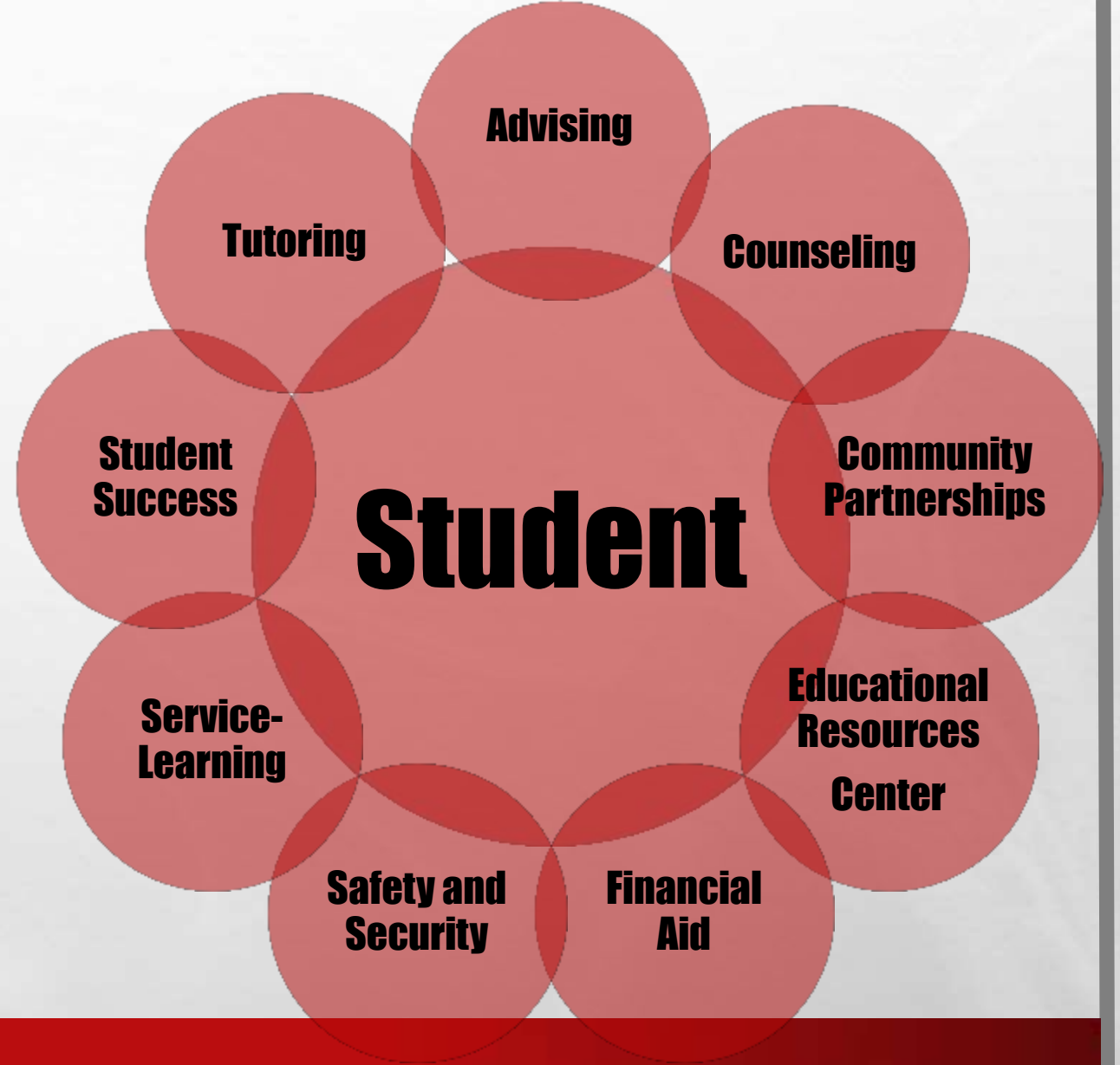
The Center was created to engage students and the community.
In support of that goal, it offers a broad range of services and resources including:

- ADVISING
- COUNSELING SERVICES
- EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER/LIBRARY
- FINANCIAL AID
- SAFETY & SECURITY
- SERVICE-LEARNING
- STUDENT SUCCESS
- COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

It is more than just a place, it's also a set of processes.
This collaborative approach **CONNECTS** the resources.

MISSION

To bring internal & external resources together; to reduce barriers to successful program completion, and to enhance student's overall college experience.



- PROVIDE SUPPORT AND RESOURCES TO IMPROVE STUDENTS' PROGRAM COMPLETION.
- OFFER PROGRAMS THAT PROMOTE STUDENTS' OVERALL HEALTH & WELLNESS.
- ENCOURAGE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE COLLEGE AND COMMUNITY.
- PROVIDE EXPERIENCES THAT PREPARE STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE TRANSFER AND/OR CAREER READINESS.
- CONNECT STUDENTS WITH ESSENTIAL SOCIAL SUPPORT .



GOALS

WHY DO WE NEED A CENTER?



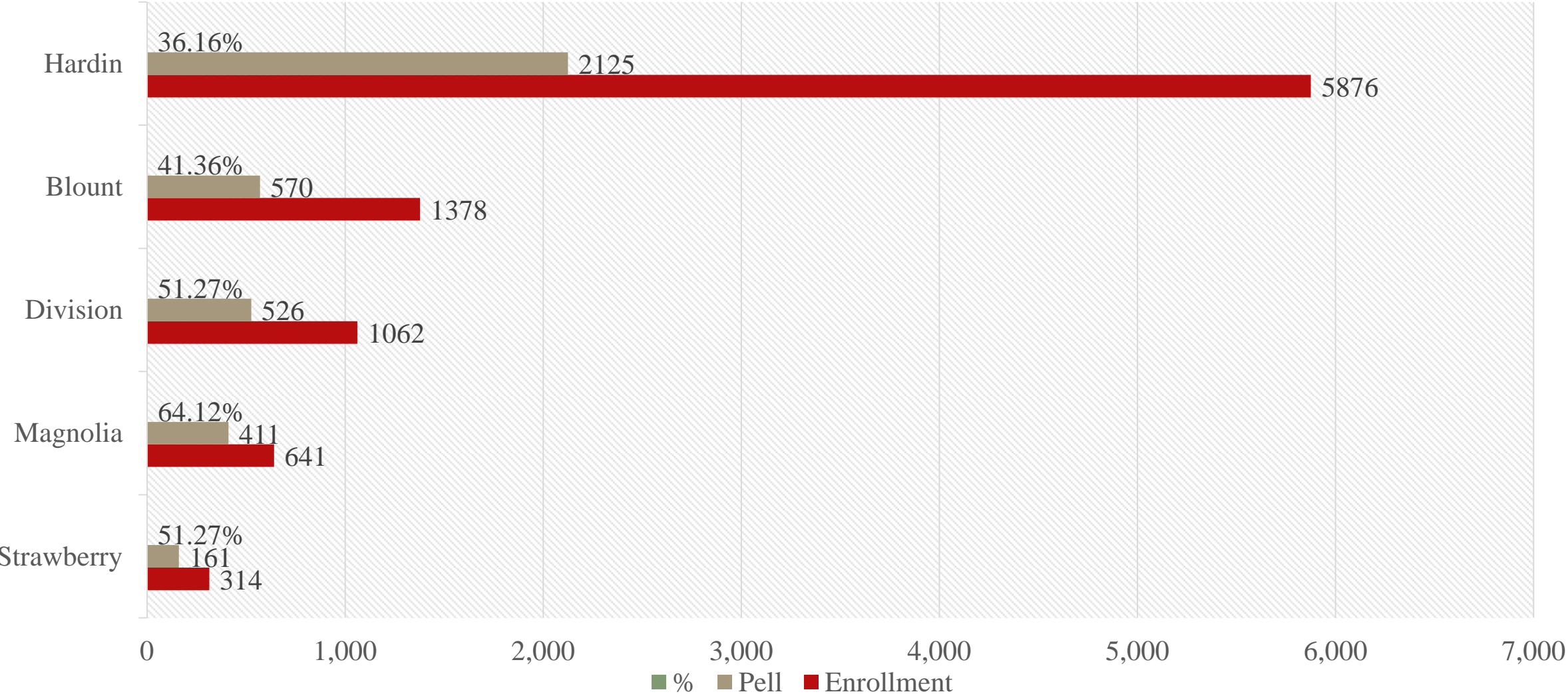
Low retention rates
Lack of external financial support
Lack of transportation
Homelessness
Poverty

Hunger
Single Parenting
Full or part time work
Addictions
Sexual identity
Mental Illness
Violence

FALL 2014 DEMOGRAPHICS

TOTAL ENROLLMENT	662	
AFRICAN AMERICANS	206	31%
CAUCASIAN	415	62%
OTHER	41	7%
MALE	216	32.6%
FEMALE	446	67.4%
AFRICAN AMERICAN MALES	60	9%

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Spring 2014 Pell Numbers

YEAR ONE

- Created a physical space
- Hired a counselor specific to the Center
- Developed a Vision & Mission
- Utilized “Barriers to College Completion” survey instrument
- Participated in Training specific to poverty issues
- Connected with multiple potential community partners
- Researched best practices for leadership groups for African American Male Students
- Researched best practices for mentoring programs for at risk college students
- Piloted a Men’s & Women’s Leadership Group
- Awarded a grant that included: mentoring, empathetic advising, social service support and career readiness for African American Males
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NEXT STEPS

- Complete SWOT Analysis
- In-Service Presentations
- Implementing Acquiring Skills Achieving Purpose Grant
- Implementing the College 2 Community Connections

The College 2 Community Connection is a network of community agencies working together to provide the resources and services necessary to address barriers to our students college completion and positively impact the number of students graduating from college.
- Complete Annual Campus and Community Analysis