Program Overview

The goal of the Yellowjacket Passport Program is to encourage students to explore the RCTC campus and expand their student experiences. The Passport Program is a self-guided tour that students can complete individually or in groups. This is a great chance for students to experience RCTC Student Life, meet new people, and get the most out of their college experience.

Passport Program Advantages

- Enjoy a wide variety of events and activities
- Increased community involvement
- Networking opportunities
- Build new friendships and school spirit

Get Started

Registration is the first two weeks of each semester, and the fun starts the day you sign up. Participants may register in the Student Life offices, CC 4th floor. The only 2 requirements are to be an enrolled RCTC Student and obtain an RCTC Stinger ID card.

Participants will attend an introduction session, giving them a chance to meet other participants, ask questions, and get a head start on the many program opportunities.

After successful completion of 1st semester, a student can join for 2nd semester with additional opportunities and requirements. This program is run by the Student Integration Committee within Student Life and is overseen by Student Life Administration.

Guidelines

- Participants must be registered RCTC students.
- Participants must register while the registration window is open.
- Participants are responsible to choose events to attend and accumulate points needed for each area.
- All participants must complete the program before the semester ends. No partial credit will be given and all attendance records will be closed at the end of the semester.
- Student Life Administration reserves the right to withdraw students from the program at any time for disciplinary actions.
- Email is RCTC’s official form of communication.

Program Structure
1\textsuperscript{st} Semester
Students will be given a passport guide. The passport guide will help students find most of the events contained in the program. Each student will have opportunities to attend events and complete tasks that fulfill the five areas of the program.

2\textsuperscript{nd} Semester
After a successful 1\textsuperscript{st} semester, participants can join the second semester for the opportunity to attend additional events and earn additional points.

Student Integration Committee
The Student Integration Committee is a chance for students that have completed both semesters to help shape the program and provide vital leadership from within. These students help with administration and execution of YPP as well as taking charge of programing and content. These select students will report directly to Student Life Administration. This is a student’s chance to make a real difference.

Attendance Tracking
Participants must do one of the following:
- Scan their RCTC Student ID at events on campus. Students who forget their student ID can be manually signed in with their Stinger ID number.
- For off-campus events, participants may take a photo of themselves at the event and submit it in the D2L Dropbox, or sign a ticket or a program and submit it in the Student Life Drop Box on CC 4\textsuperscript{th} floor. Get creative to prove that you attended the event. This only is for events outside of RCTC that do not have an ID scanner.
- Advisors or faculty members can submit a list of participants via email.

Activities and Points
Each participant may choose from a wide selection of events and activities to attend. Every event or task fits into a goal area that has a total amount of points that must be earned before that goal area is considered complete. If a student finds a future event that might fit into the 5 program areas, there is an Event Request form found on D2L. The program goal areas include the following:
- Campus Life
- Community
- Perspective
- Connections
- Health and Wellness

Rewards for Completion
All participants will receive a discount on Student Life trips such as ski trips, Vallyscare, Twins or Wild games. 1\textsuperscript{st} semester participants that complete the program will earn a RCTC Yellowjacket Passport sweatshirt ($60 value) or a $35 gift card to the RCTC Book store or Lancer Hospitality. 2\textsuperscript{nd} Semester students that complete the program will earn a $70 gift card to either the RCTC book store or Lancer Hospitality.
Activities List:

1. Campus Life (1st semester: 3 events) (2nd semester: 4 events)
   a. Student Senate Meetings or Club meetings
   b. Club Day
   c. Concerts or theater productions in Hill Theater
   d. Athletic games
   e. Student Life trips
   f. Yellowjacket Volunteers Program

2. Community (1st semester: 1 event) (2nd semester: 2 events)
   a. Rochester Farmers Market
   b. Thursday’s on First & Third
   c. SocialIce
   d. Mayo Clinic Tour
   e. Visit a local park or trail

3. Perspectives (1st semester: 1 event) (2nd semester: 2 events)
   a. Asian Fusion Show
   b. Visit the Art Gallery
   c. RCTC Horse Show
   d. Veteran’s Day Observance
   e. Physics Club Demonstration
   f. STEM Fair

4. Connections (1st semester: 1 event) (2nd semester: 2 events)
   a. Attend or volunteer at Student Success Day
   b. Attend a Nursing Forum Lecture
   c. Complete GPS LifePlan
   d. Meet with your counselor/advisor
   e. Post on the Passport D2L Discussion board

5. Health & Fitness (1st semester: 3 events) (2nd semester: 4 events)
   a. Open Gym
   b. Fitness Center
   c. Disc golf
   d. Move It program
   e. Eat Smart Workshop
   f. Student Health 101
   g. Visit the School Nurse – HS 140
Q & A:

Q: How do I find out about events that count for credit?
A: The most current list is on D2L under content, or you can contact Student Life.

Q: How do I get credit for attending an event?
A: First, if a scanner is present at the event, just swipe in. If not, you will need to provide some proof you attended. Get creative: take a picture of you holding a sign, pose with an RCTC player or an event organizer; submit a program or get the MC to sign a ticket stub. Simply provide proof – in either the D2L Dropbox or the Student Life office – that you attended.

Second, go to D2L Quizes, and take the appropriate quiz.

Q: What if I forget my RCTC ID or forget to register my Stinger ID#?
A: If an ID scanner is present at check-in, students must scan or present their Stinger ID # to receive credit.

Q: How can I suggest other events?
A: Submit an Event Request Form found on D2L under Content. We welcome student input; we cannot possible know about every event available and we want to encourage participation at any event that fits the program guidelines and goals.

Q: How do I know if a community event will be approved?
A: Event Request Forms need to be submitted via email at least 3 business days ahead of the event to obtain approval. Yellowjacket Passport staff will email your RCTC email account with their response. Only approved events will earn points.

Q: How do I make sure I get credit for all my attended events?
A: Students must track their own progress and may check their progress on D2L. If there are any discrepancies, the YPP Student Integration Committee will resolve the issue.

Q: What if I run out of time and don’t complete one or more of the YPP areas?
A: It is the student’s responsibility to plan and track their own progress. This program is self-paced and self-guided. This is a pass/fail program, and each area must be completed to pass.

Q: If I miss sign ups, can I still be a part of the program?
A: No. Allowing students to do so would risk not having enough time to build up enough attendance points to fulfill the program requirements.

Q: Who do I contact for questions?
A: The YPP Student Integration committee or Student Life 285-7204.