

Around the State: DBU advances to baseball's Super Regionals

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The Dallas Baptist University Patriots advanced to the NCAA Baseball Super Regionals for the second time in the program's history. An 8-5 come-from-behind victory over the Oregon State Beavers allowed DBU to advance to its first Super Regional competition in 10 years. While the University of Virginia ended DBU's hopes of advancing to the College World Series by defeating the Patriots in two out of three games at the Super Regionals, DBU was the only team in college baseball to have won 40 games in each of the last seven seasons.



Marilyn Davis (front center) was recognized at a June 10 reception marking her retirement after more than 40 years service to the Christian Life Commission. She is pictured with the current CLC staff.

The Texas Baptist Christian Life Commission established the Strickland-Davis Scholarship to benefit students pursuing a degree in a field of study related to the commands of Micah 6:8—"Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God." The scholarship honors the memory of **Phil Strickland**, who served the CLC 38 years, including a quarter-century as its director; and it recognizes **Marilyn Davis**, who recently retired after more than four decades of service to the CLC. The CLC announced the creation of the scholarship at her June 10 retirement reception. The CLC will award three

\$1,000 scholarships each school year to qualified students pursuing undergraduate degrees, master's degree or doctorates. Applicants are required to be a member of a church affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Texas that contributes to the Cooperative Program and supports the Texas Baptist Hunger Offering. High preference will be given to students attending universities related to or affiliated with the BGCT. Among other requirements, applicants are expected to submit an essay that relates his or her field of study to the mission and charge of Micah 6:8. For more information and specific application guidelines, contact the CLC via the form [here](#).



East Texas Baptist University's clinical laboratory science program has achieved recommendation for accreditation with the National Accreditation Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences. (ETBU Photo)

East Texas Baptist University's clinical laboratory science program has achieved recommendation for accreditation with the National Accreditation Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences. The agency provides international accreditation and approval of educational programs in the clinical laboratory sciences and health care-related disciplines. The agency accreditation process is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. Accreditation involves a process of external peer review, in which NAACLS grants public recognition to education programs that meet established education standards in clinical laboratory science disciplines. ETBU's clinical lab science program prepares technician-level clinical laboratory professionals to complete advanced laboratory coursework in preparation for national certification. All accredited programs are required to submit a self-study and host a site visit in the cyclical review process.

Accredited programs are eligible for a maximum award of 10 years. East Texas Baptist University's program received the maximum accreditation period allowable for new programs at five years.

Wayland Baptist University received a grant to participate in COVID-19 vaccine education. Funded by the Interfaith Youth Core, the Faith in the Vaccine initiative is meant to educate those communities and demographic groups that have been hesitant to embrace COVID-19 vaccines. Through the Interfaith Youth Core program, college and university student ambassadors will focus educational efforts on those communities to which they have personal ties. Schools were required to apply for the grant program, answering questions about how they would approach educating the communities they serve. Each school selected to participate was allowed to choose 20 students to be Faith in the Vaccine ambassadors. Each student receives a \$1,500 stipend for the work they will do promoting education about the vaccine. The grant is meant to fund projects and work completed between June and December 2021. **Justin Lawrence**, associate dean of the School of Behavioral and Social Sciences, applied for the grant and will serve as the faculty adviser to the group. "This is about service," Lawrence said. "Students are able to get out there and serve their community, and maybe they can articulate something in a way that somebody else couldn't. Sometimes people need to hear it from somebody else, and that is what we will be doing."