

## **Christina Jackson Heads BC Programs For High School Students**

**Bainbridge College Admissions Counselor Christina Jackson wears a new hat on the job as coordinator of Joint Enrollment Programs that give area high school students access to higher education classes. She succeeds Dewayne Shiver, who is now events coordinator for the Charles H. Kirbo Regional Center on the BC Main Campus.**



The **Quincy, FL**, resident began her new duties during the summer term. She coordinates the ACCEL program, which offers Arts and Sciences classes, and the Dual Enrollment program, which offers courses in the Technical Studies Division, most of which lead to certificates.

Through ACCEL students earn college credit and complete high school requirements at the same time, explained Ms. Jackson, who has been with the BC Admissions Office since 2005. “Many of our ACCEL students leave high school with their work completed for core courses in three required areas,” she said. “That means many of our students enter four-year institutions as sophomores, which is ahead of schedule for their graduating classmates.”

BC’s participants in the ACCEL Program include **Bainbridge High School, Cairo High School, Early County High School, Miller County High School, Seminole County High School, Southwest Georgia Academy and Thomas County Central High School.**

BC offers Dual programs at both the **BC Main Campus** and **BC Early County Site**, at **Bainbridge High School, Bainbridge Westside PLC, Early County High School, Miller County High School and Seminole County High School.**

After successful completion of the dual program, students earn certificates in one the following certification programs: Law Enforcement Management, Mechanical Electronics, both of which are new this year for certification; Certified Customer Service; Certified Manufacturing Specialist; Certified Nursing Assistant; Drafting Aide; Electrical Wiring, and Structural Welding. For Spring Semester, Ms. Jackson expects BC to include Retail Management for dual students.

The new program coordinator knows well the high schools in the BC service area of southwest Georgia, north Florida and southeast Alabama. She has been active with college and career fairs offered in the area, BC Visitation Days for high school seniors and their parents, and numerous other campus and community activities for the college. She works closely with the Student Activities, including as sponsor for Student Ambassadors.

She earned her master of science degree from Tennessee State University Institute of Government with a major concentration in strategic leadership and information technology. In 2001 she earned her bachelor of science degree in psychology and social work from Florida A&M University.