

# STONEGATE SENTINEL

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## Celebrating county's 200th

Lawrence County residents interested in helping with Lawrence County's year-long bicentennial celebration



may join the monthly planning meetings at StoneGate Arts & Education Center North, 405 I St., Bedford.

The next planning meeting is set for noon, Thursday, Oct. 18.

For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/lawrencecountybicentennial](http://www.facebook.com/lawrencecountybicentennial).

## Ivy Tech increases 8-week course offerings; classes begin Oct. 15

**B**EDFORD — Eight-week long classes at Ivy Tech Community College Bloomington and StoneGate Center North, 405 I St., Bedford begin Oct. 15.

Short-term, eight-week classes offer the same material as traditional 16-week courses but have been reformatted so students can complete courses in half the time.

“This shift to offering more short-term courses is driven by the College’s focus on student success. By offering eight-week courses, students can take fewer classes at a time, while still making progress toward completing their degrees and certifications,” said Larry Swafford, Ph.D., vice chancellor of academic affairs.

“By Spring Semester 2019, Ivy Tech Bloomington plans to offer at least half of its courses in an eight-week format.”

On Oct. 15, students can begin eight-week classes both in-person and online in Accounting, Business Administration, General Studies, Four-year transfer programs, and numerous additional concentrations.

Ivy Tech staff will conduct office hours in Bedford at StoneGate Center North to answer questions and provide registration assistance. Fall and spring classes will be offered at StoneGate.

Starting Oct. 1, Ivy Tech personnel began staffing StoneGate on a regular schedule Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. In addition, on Oct. 18, and 26, and Dec. 11, staff will be available until 5 p.m. On Nov. 13, 29, and Dec. 6, staff will be available until 6 p.m. Ivy Tech will be closed Dec. 21-Jan.1, and office hours will resume Jan. 2.

Information about courses offered in Bedford or online are available at [ivytech.edu/bedford](http://ivytech.edu/bedford).

New students should apply online at [ivytech.edu/applynow](http://ivytech.edu/applynow) or stop by office hours at StoneGate North. Students also can schedule appointments by calling (812) 279-8126 or via email at Niki Blackwell at [nblackwell6@ivytech.edu](mailto:nblackwell6@ivytech.edu) or Vercii Reed at [vreed16@ivytech.edu](mailto:vreed16@ivytech.edu).



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**BEDFORD —** ABOVE: Ivy Tech Community Outreach Coordinator Vercii Reed assists a student during a recent Ivy Tech Express Enrollment event at StoneGate Center North.



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