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Crowder Welcomes New President to Campus

Neosho, MO – Dr. Jennifer Methvin assumed the reins at Crowder College today, June 2, 2014. She is the 7th President at the college.

Methvin comes to Crowder after serving as Vice Chancellor of Academics at the University of Arkansas Community College at Hope, since 2005. Previously, she was a division chair for Arts and Sciences, a Coordinator of Off-Campus Credit Courses, and taught English at the University of Arkansas Community College at Batesville. From 1993-1999, she served as an Assistant Professor of English at Arkansas State University-Newport, and started her higher education career as an adjunct instructor at Arkansas State University-Beebe.

Dr. Methvin has a Bachelor's degree in Creative Writing and English from Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, Arkansas; a Master's degree in Creative Writing and English from Oklahoma State University; and a PhD in Community College leadership from Walden University. She has been active in many professional associations and organizations at the local, state and national level, including serving as President of the Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges.

Dr. Methvin and her husband, Roger, and sons, Luke and Matthew, look forward to becoming an integral part of the Crowder College community. "I am honored to have the opportunity to lead such a remarkable college. Even on this first day as I interact with faculty, staff, and students, I can see the genuine and deep commitment to learning that is the hallmark of Crowder College. The growth of the college in the last few years has been remarkable, and I look forward to working with the Board and our faculty and staff as we continue to serve students and improve lives." stated Methvin.

Crowder College was established in 1963 by the voters of the Newton and McDonald County school districts as a two-year community college offering associate degrees and certificates. Today, Crowder has enrollment reaching almost 6,000 with locations in Neosho, Cassville, Jane, Nevada and Webb City. The college also offers classes in Carthage, Greenfield, Lamar, Monett & Mt. Vernon as well as online.

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