



Gov. James Blanchard obviously enjoys his discussion with OCC students.

## Governor raps at OCC

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Gov. James Blanchard turned on the boyish charm when he met with students at the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College. Appearing as part of the school's "Distinguished Speaker" series Wednesday, Blanchard abandoned the stage at Smith Theatre and used a hand-held microphone to talk informally with about 300 students.

Obviously at ease and enjoying himself, Blanchard urged students to consider public service as a career. He got into government, Blanchard said, after abandoning a career in baseball. Without specifying whether it was hitting or fielding that prompted his choice, the governor said he was battling .500 in career goals.

Using mainly a question-and-answer format, Blanchard touched on a wide range of topics, including:

- Detroit's utility tax. Blanchard said he favors legislative or court action that will enable that city to resume collecting the five percent utility tax that was recently discontinued after a federal judge ruled it had expired.

Detroit officials say the tax is needed to avoid drastic financial moves, including the layoff of police officers.

- Abortion. Blanchard said last week's vote to establish a "zone of reproductive freedom" in Ann Arbor was largely a symbolic vote because it would likely be overturned if Michigan enacts restrictions on abortion.

The governor reiterated his position that he is personally against abortion, but does not support restrictions that would hamper the individual woman's freedom of choice.

- Substance abuse. Blanchard said alcohol is the most commonly abused substance in Michigan. While he supports moves to get drunk drivers off the streets, Blanchard said he favors treatment and rehabilitation.

- Education. Blanchard said he still favors raising the state sales tax by one-half of one percent to increase aid for K-12 education, despite its defeat in last November's election.

He said Michigan has increased its funding for education from 32 percent of all taxes collected to 36 percent. In what he termed a "scandal," Blanchard noted the federal govern-

ment spends about 2 percent of the taxes it collects on education.

- Environment. Asserting that Michigan's environmental laws are tougher than those in neighboring states, Blanchard said we have to do more to protect our natural resources. He said he advocates "massive" recycling.

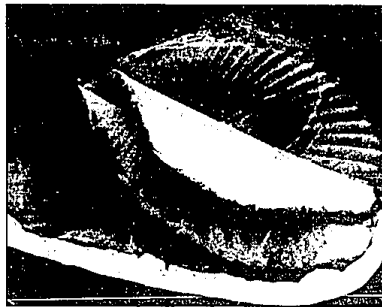
Blanchard closed his 75-minute discussion on a bipartisan note, advising students it might be worth their time to attend a speech later in the evening by Ronna Romney, a national committeewoman for the Republican Party.

Romney, the daughter-in-law of former GOP Governor George Romney, is active in Republican politics and will undoubtedly support State Sen. John Engler this fall in his bid to unseat Blanchard.

"I don't always agree with what she says or does," Blanchard told students. "But she's always intelligent and interesting."

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