



**May 21, 2021**  
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### CCM EVENTS

**Grad Walk and Photo Op**  
Today, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

[CCM Virtual Commencement Ceremony](#)  
YouTube  
Today, 7:30 p.m.

### STUDENT SERVICES

The Library  
[In-Person and Remote Service](#)

Online Tutoring Center  
More information, click [here](#)

### NEW PEOPLE & POSITIONS

The CCM community congratulates the following individuals whose new positions at the college were approved by the Board of Trustees at its May 18 meeting.

**Natasha Agnihotri**, Instructor, Nursing

**Kevin Bradley**, Counselor, Counseling & Student Success

**Louise Massoni**, Assistant Director, Financial Aid

**Mary Earl**, Department Administrative Assistant, Athletics



### CCM Applauds the Class of 2021

Today, CCM will recognize the accomplishments of more than 1,250 graduates at its 52nd Annual Commencement Ceremony. The CCM community is immensely proud of the graduates from the Class of 2021, who despite a pandemic and all the resulting challenges succeeded in completing their course of study. Also of note is that this is the largest graduating class in the college's history, attesting to the resilience of these individuals, the high-quality education they received and the impact of the strong student support services CCM has in place.

The celebration starts today with a graduation walk, running from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Then at 7:30 p.m., a virtual commencement ceremony will premiere on YouTube. Be sure to tune in at [www.ccm.edu/graduation/](http://www.ccm.edu/graduation/). This year's keynote speaker is Richard T. Thigpen, Senior Vice President – Corporate Citizenship at PSEG and Chairman of the PSEG Foundation. Thigpen will share his insights and experience as a citizen activist both from his professional life and service to others. At PSEG, he is responsible for business areas that drive public policy through advocacy, charitable activities and corporate social responsibility. He also was a former assistant to the president of the NAACP State Conference for Public Affairs and currently serves on the boards of the New Jersey Climate Change Alliance, the New Jersey Legislative Black Caucus Foundation and the New Jersey Pandemic Relief Fund.

The college also has created a webpage highlighting several members from the Class of 2021, you can read about them [here](#).



### Teen Arts Holds a Virtual Festival

This year marked the 40th time CCM has held the Teen Arts Festival and the first time it was held virtually. While the format was changed due to the pandemic, the enthusiasm and participation of this year's high school students remained powerful.

This year's theme was Heritage, meaning a person's unique sense of family and identity: the values, traditions, culture, experiences and artifacts that are handed down. To view the works produced by some of the students and this year's winners, go to <https://sites.google.com/view/2021ccmteenartsfest/home/>.

CCM Proud of these talented high school students and all the faculty and staff who made this year's festival possible.

### Professional Day 2021



If you missed the Professional Day sessions that took place on Tuesday, you can view them online. Here are the links:

Plenary Session  
<https://youtu.be/6RVF7PoOx4E>



### CCM Recognizes Culinary Students with Disabilities and Dual Enrolled High Schoolers with Special Graduation Ceremony

CCM this week celebrated the success of two special groups of students to recognize their accomplishments that included participating in the launch of the college's new Food Truck Entrepreneur class.

A total of eight students were recognized for completing the Culinary Opportunities Program (COP) Program for Adults with Development Disabilities. This is the third group of students graduating from the COP certificate program designed to prepare adults for work in a variety of food production environments.

Also recognized were four high school students who are completing their second year in the Culinary Arts Share Time (CAST) program. CAST is a new program the college started last year with the Morris County Vocational School District that provides students with the opportunity to earn both their high school diploma and college credits towards a degree in Restaurant and Culinary Management at CCM.

As part of the graduation ceremony, luncheon was served from the college's new "Culinary Café" food trailer that is also the home for the Food Truck Entrepreneur class. The graduation ceremony was held Thursday, May 20, when the Culinary Cafe served up Cuban sandwiches, grilled chicken Caesar salad and cotton candy for dessert to the students and their families, as certificates were presented and guests celebrated the graduates' achievement.



**IT'S TEE TIME!**  
MARK YOUR CALENDAR  
MONDAY  
**SEPTEMBER 27**  
2021  
**CCM FOUNDATION  
GOLF CLASSIC**  
PICATINNY GOLF CLUB  
DOVER, NEW JERSEY

The poster features a white golf ball on a green tee against a blue sky background. The County College of Morris logo is visible on the golf ball.

[NAPE Conference Transfer of Knowledge](https://youtu.be/BUPWmSZExtk)  
<https://youtu.be/BUPWmSZExtk>

[Impact of Various Marketing Theories and Software Applications on Small Colleges](https://youtu.be/Nxt4hWKtyFY)  
<https://youtu.be/Nxt4hWKtyFY>

[Teaching Strategies to Enhance Mastery of Course Learning Outcomes in Anatomy and Physiology Courses](https://youtu.be/hwUXR5wHCA0)  
<https://youtu.be/hwUXR5wHCA0>

[Writing Across and Against the Curriculum Using Poetry and Metaphor to Improve Technical, Scientific](https://youtu.be/9blL4oNgOWU)  
<https://youtu.be/9blL4oNgOWU>

[Embracing the Move Online Virtual Reality and 360° Virtual Scenes](https://youtu.be/TpvTA7SdROM)  
<https://youtu.be/TpvTA7SdROM>

[Transitioning Classes to 7 Week Format Presentation and Discussion](https://youtu.be/iENLgmx4gjM)  
<https://youtu.be/iENLgmx4gjM>



### You Are Not Alone

It is normal to feel alone during difficult times, although you don't have to be! Sharing your story can inspire others to better themselves on their own path. It can also connect you to people who are going through similar struggles. CCM's employee assistance provider, New Directions, has a sharing component where you can share your story for free and encourage others in the process. It would be great to hear from you and how you've changed your habits and lifestyle to ultimately lead to a happier you!

True, sharing can be a little overwhelming, so there is an option to stay anonymous if you would like to share that way.

Visit [eap.ndbh.com](http://eap.ndbh.com) and enter company code **ccm** or call 800-624-5544.

## HR CORNER

### RETIREMENT CONSULTATIONS WITH NEW JERSEY STATE APPROVED VENDORS

Save for retirement – Receive free, no pressure retirement counseling sessions. Make your appointment today. You do not need to be a member to speak with the representatives.

Equitable representative Mark Sheridan is available at all 908-230-2042 or email [Marc.Sheridan@equitable.com](mailto:Marc.Sheridan@equitable.com)

Access Marc's calendar to schedule an appointment: <https://app.zynbit.com/zyncal/schedule/marc-sheridan>

MassMutual (formerly Hartford) representative Kenneth Quarnaccio is available at 848-248-4313 or email [kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com](mailto:kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com).

MetLife/Brighthouse representative David Sharpe is available at 973-575-3254 or email [dsharpe@financialguide.com](mailto:dsharpe@financialguide.com).

Prudential  
Call 732-428-2314 or email [alicia.smith@prudential.com](mailto:alicia.smith@prudential.com) to make an individual appointment to discuss ABP or DCRP investments.

Contact TIAA's National Contact Center at 800-842-2252 for questions and counseling.

VALIC representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments. Call 908-470-4114 or email [Maryann.bradford@valic.com](mailto:Maryann.bradford@valic.com)  
Schedule a virtual meeting or phone call: <https://my.valic.com/seminarregistration/availableseminars.aspx?regcode=5296NEW11AA>

Voya representative John Murray is available to review your ABP and voluntary retirement accounts, help with a retirement income plan and review your personal portfolio. Schedule an appointment at <https://ccofmorris.timetap.com/>

## NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to both Kathleen Brunet at [kbrunet@ccm.edu](mailto:kbrunet@ccm.edu) and Theresa Gehring at [tgehring@ccm.edu](mailto:tgehring@ccm.edu).

Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Looking for past issues of the CCMemo? [Find them here.](#)

## SOCIAL MEDIA

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