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CCM EVENTS

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Call 732-428-2314 or email alicia.smith@prudential.com to make an individual appointment to discuss ABP or DCRP investments.

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CCM Holds Fifty-Third Commencement Ceremony

After two years of holding virtual commencement ceremonies due to the pandemic, CCM on Friday, May 20, returned to the Mennen Arena to hold an in-person celebration for the Class of 2022 to recognize and celebrate its latest graduates.

The ceremony took place 10 a.m. to noon and was lived streamed at <https://youtu.be/OXpszJK-v6A/>.

Serving as the Keynote Speaker was CCM's own Dr. Maria Isaza, a 1999 graduate of the college. Former chairperson of Biology & Chemistry, she has been the dean of the School of Health Professions & Natural Sciences since 2021.

Born in the Republic of Colombia, Isaza came to the United States at the age of 21. She began her college education by enrolling in an English as a Second Language course at CCM. This put her on an inspiring educational journey as she next studied medical laboratory technology to earn an Associate of Applied Science degree. Having discovered an acuity for biology, Isaza also pursued that subject further at CCM earning an Associate of Science in Biology. With a strong desire to continue her education, she transferred to the College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE), now Saint Elizabeth University, to pursue a bachelor's degree. She then went on to earn her master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, now Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences.

Also providing remarks were President Iacono, Trustee Chair George Milonas – also a CCM graduate – and County Commissioner Director Tayfun Selen. This year's Grand Marshall was Denise Vill'Neuve.

[Read more.](#)

To view photos from commencement, go to <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjzQKuu/>.



The CCM Art Club recently had a pottery sale with all proceeds being donated to Titans Table.

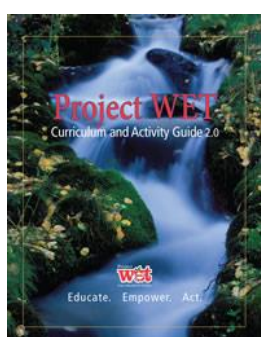
CCMProud of our artists.



Nurse Pinning Ceremony

The Class of 2022 Nurse Pinning Ceremony took place on Wednesday, May 18. You can view the video at https://youtu.be/IFJ_Bu-hBIY

Water Education and Outreach Resources



The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection offers many services and tools to assist with protecting the state's waterways. To learn more, visit the [watershed website](#).

NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu.
Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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

Annual Teen Arts Festival Returns to CCM Live and In-Person



CCM returned to its longstanding tradition of hosting the Morris County Teen Arts Festival, live and in-person, on Friday, May 13. The annual festival recognizes the work of outstanding young student artists and highlights the educators who encourage their creative spirits in the classroom.

The event, sponsored by the Morris Area Arts Council, brought to campus over 800 middle- and high-school student artists and musicians from the public and private schools of Morris County, as well as homeschooled students. The theme, "Arts for Change," asked students and teachers alike to consider the important interconnections between art and community and the power of art to foster communication and positive social change.

"The energy on campus was fantastic with students engaged in workshops, singing, dancing, creating art on the pathways, collaborating to solve the scavenger hunt, and just enjoying a day of celebration," said Dr. Karen Danna, professor of Sociology and co-chair of the CCM Teen Arts Committee. "It was great to see."

Visiting Artist Erik James Montgomery, a New Jersey-based photographer and community artist and activist, welcomed the attendees with a motivating talk, "I, Image, Imagination – How to Become the Artist You Were Created to Be." Montgomery shared life lessons from his personal and artistic journey while incorporating photography to articulate his message. The Sherman H. Masten Learning Resource Center Art Gallery featured his interactive photography exhibition plus a digital exhibition of submitted artwork and film. Students also had the opportunity to have headshots taken by the pro.



Throughout the day, CCM faculty and student volunteers led engaging classes and workshops from comic book art to virtual reality, chalk drawing to creating in the skies with drones, tips on auditioning to stage combat to interactive improvisational theatre, yoga techniques to engaging environmental sculpture – there was something for everyone to explore at this year's festival.

Representatives from CCM's student government, clubs and organizations connected with and guided participants to other hands-on experiences within the 222-acre rolling hills campus. The marked pathways encouraged all to explore wishing trees, a hands-on animation station, an interactive post-it note collaboration, a poetry pharmacy, an open mic coffee house, scavenger hunt, chalk art, lawn games and more. Students also utilized the college's state-of-the-art performing spaces to showcase instrumental, vocal, musical theatre/dramatic theatre and dance accomplishments from the school year. CCM students from the Hospitality Management & Culinary Arts department provided food truck offerings and sample tastings for all to enjoy.

New People and Positions

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

David Carey, PT Security Officer, Public Safety

Marek Hawrylo, PT Security Officer, Public Safety

Juana Jose de herrera, Custodian II, Custodial Services

Kelly Meola, Director of Grants, Institutional Grants

Campus Food Service

Please be aware that food service will be temporarily halted as the college's current dining contract expires May 31 and Cohen Café will remain temporarily closed after this date. The college is currently seeking bids for a food service contract and will have an updated timeline and more information by the beginning of June.

CCM Employee Picnic



Thursday, June 9

1 – 3 p.m.

Davidson Rooms and Patio

Lunch provided by American Barbecue Company

Can Jam, corn hole, bucket ball and the return of the egg toss

And a special farewell to Dr. Bette Simmons

Achieve Better Mental Health

Wellness Webinars from Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield New Jersey

Eating Disorders: What Do I Need to Know?
Tuesday, May 24, noon – 1:00 p.m.

More than 30 million Americans will develop an eating disorder at some point. In this session, we'll explore symptoms of common eating disorders and dispel myths so that you can better understand these often-misunderstood conditions. [Register Now.](#)

Virtual Reiki Session
Thursday, May 26, 7 – 8 p.m.

Join us for a virtual reiki session where we'll open the energy blockages in the body to help you sleep better, be less stressed, improve your emotional health and relax more. [Register Now.](#)

To watch a recorded webinar, visit HorizonBlue.com/njwellwebinars.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Help us communicate all of the good things happening at CCM by liking, sharing or commenting on the college's social media posts and pages.

