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CCM EVENTS

Save the Date
Virtual Professional Day
Tuesday, September 7
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

STUDENT SERVICES

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

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

Return to Campus Plan Modifications

In response to new state guidelines for higher education, CCM has updated its Fall 2021 [Return to Campus Plan](#). When the new guidelines were published and released from the New Jersey Department of Health, CCM administrators engaged employees and students in a series of meetings to update its fall 2021 semester operating plans.

The college remains committed to maximizing the safety of its employees and students and to minimizing risks related to COVID-19. As such, CCM has decided to begin the Fall Semester, which begins September 8, with the majority of its courses being held remotely. The college plans to offer instruction in this manner through October 26, 2021, the end of its first seven-week term. In its newly updated plan, the college continues to require everyone on campus to wear a mask when social distancing is not possible, unless they have a medical exemption. Effective October 27, 2021, CCM will also require new protocols for everyone coming onto the campus. As of that date, new protocols require all individuals who are coming onto campus to be:

- Vaccinated and provide your vaccine card to HR at HRCOVID@ccm.edu.
- Receive an approved medical or religious waiver from being vaccinated before October 26 and receive a negative COVID-19 PCR test result on a weekly basis.
- If unvaccinated, you must provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test to HR on a weekly basis.

New ID Cards

As of October 27, 2021, all employees and students must be in possession of a newly branded ID card to be on campus. IDs should be worn above the waist, with the front facing forward. Employees requesting new IDs should contact HR via email at HRCOVID@ccm.edu.

These measures were developed after nearly a dozen meetings with employees and students, as well as consultation with public health officials. CCM is excited about the Fall Semester and eagerly looks forward to welcoming its faculty and students back on campus later this fall.



Professor's Daughter Joins Nursing Faculty

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Natasha Agnihotri didn't plan on following in her father's footsteps to become a nurse and teach at CCM. But when she attended CCM – as had her father, mother and brother – to round out her bachelor's degree in public health, she discovered she really enjoyed working directly with people to improve their health.

Unsure what area of public health she wanted to focus on, Agnihotri enrolled in the Nursing Program at CCM at the suggestion of her father. It was then that she discovered her passion.

"In an area like public health, it can take a while to see the fruits of your labor," notes Agnihotri. "While at CCM, I realized I wanted a more hands-on experience, so I decided to become a nurse. As a nurse, you get to see the direct impact you have on people."



Then as she began working as a nurse educator at the hospital where she was employed, Agnihotri found she really enjoyed teaching the next generation of nurses. It's also what her father, Dr. Vivek Agnihotri has been doing at CCM as a member of the nursing faculty for nearly 20 years.

"I realized I really enjoyed teaching new nurses and sharing my knowledge and experience. To have that kind of impact is really rewarding and I wanted to make that my career," she says.

Her next steps were to earn a master's degree in nursing education and then to start teaching as an adjunct professor first at William Paterson University and then at CCM to build a resume. She was offered a full-time nursing faculty position at CCM this year.

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Building Tomorrow's Career & Educational Opportunities Today

The Morris County Board of County Commissioners on Friday, August 13, held a press conference at CCM to announce a 30 percent expansion of the Morris County Vocational School (MCVSD) with a new Career Technical Education Center, while CCM unveiled its plans for a new Entrepreneurship and Culinary Science Center. Both projects are designed to provide leading-edge career and educational programs for students and adults alike.

The new facilities will be built on CCM's campus. The Career and Technical Education Center will add 500 students to the Morris County Vocational School District's (MCVSD) enrollment.

"Morris County is positioned as the leader in programs preparing high school students for rewarding careers in 10, high-demand industries, including health care, finance, technology, manufacturing, renewable energy and supply chain logistics," said Morris County Commissioner Director Stephen Shaw. "The expansion at CCM focuses on business entrepreneurship, hospitality and logistics, and it complements the recently added manufacturing/engineering and music technology buildings."

Funding for the projects is being provided by Morris County and the state Securing Our Children's Future Bond Act.

"The county will provide \$14 million in capital and additional operating funds over 10 years for the school of technology expansion, and \$1.3 million for the CCM expansion," said County Commissioner John Krickus, who serves as the board's liaison to both schools.

The MCVSD developed plans for the Career and Technical Education Center based on what educational skills and training are in demand in Morris County and northern New Jersey, and by working closely with private sector partners.

"This Career and Technical Education Center will afford us an opportunity to expand our program offerings to a larger and more diverse group of high school juniors and seniors," said MCVSD Superintendent Scott Moffitt. "The collaboration between Morris County Vocational School District and CCM creates a 'career pathway on-ramp' for students at an age where occupation and employment become a greater focus for both students and their parents"

The MCVSD expansion will operate on a share-time model for high school juniors and seniors. It will focus on workforce development and offer students industry credentials, work-based and project-based learning opportunities and up to 18 college credits. The project expands on the existing, strong partnership the school district has with CCM to provide high school students the opportunity to earn college credits, industry-valued credentials and access to an associate degree, either

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Attend an Atlantic Health System
COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC
Student Community Center, Davidson Rooms
August 25 & 31 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Receive the Johnson & Johnson or first dose of Pfizer vaccine.
CALL 973-829-7940 TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.
Walk-ins are welcome.
Unable to attend this clinic?
Visit <https://tinyurl.com/8k6384vz> to schedule your vaccine with Atlantic Health System.

On Campus Vaccine Clinic

CCM is making it easier for students and employees to be vaccinated. The college has partnered with Atlantic Health Systems to bring COVID-19 vaccination distribution to campus on Wednesday, August 25, and Tuesday, August 31, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 973-829-7940 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins also are welcomed. Students will be receiving this same information via email. We all know that we cannot predict how this virus will affect each of us, so please keep yourself and those around you safe and consider receiving the vaccine. Remember, when on campus, to wear your mask when social distancing is not possible and wear your ID.

Radiography and Respiratory Therapy Hold Graduation Ceremonies

The Departments of Radiography and Respiratory Therapy recently held graduation ceremonies for students who successfully completed their program of study.

To view the Radiography ceremony, go to <https://youtu.be/yWQ9gQimgpw/>.

To view the Respiratory Therapy program, go to <https://youtu.be/YqNLX8Ez2lg/>.

Finding the Better You



Finding inspiration in the busyness of everyday life can be tricky. New Directions, the college's employee assistance provider, has helpful information that can be sent direct to your in-box. Sign up for "A Better You" and receive emails with quick life hacks, inspirational quotes, health

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.

AIG (formerly VALIC) representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments.

Call 732-832-5346 or email Maryann.bradford@aig.com
Schedule a virtual meeting or phone call: <https://my.valic.com/seminarregistration/availableseminars.aspx?regcode=5296NEW11AA>

Equitable representative Mark Sheridan is available at all 908-230-2042 or email 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.

MetLife/Brighthouse representative David Sharpe is available at 973-575-3254 or email dsharpe@financialguide.com.

Prudential
Call 732-428-2314 or email 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.

Voya representative, John Murray is available to help you with your retirement account. To schedule an appointment call (609) 234-3369 or email johnmurray@voyafa.com

NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu.

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

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upon high school completion or one year after graduation.

Plans for the Entrepreneurship and Culinary Science Center were developed by CCM in response to Morris County business and community leaders looking to accelerate entrepreneurial growth in the area.



“As the community’s college, the mission of CCM is to assist with the growth of the region and to provide people with opportunities to realize their dreams for a better future,” said Dr. Anthony J. Iacono, president of CCM. “This center builds upon our already successful programs and strong partnerships with business and industry so more individuals can gain a pathway to a rewarding life for themselves, their families and communities.”

Students enrolled in the new entrepreneurship and culinary programs will benefit from working with an “Entrepreneur in Residence” who will mentor students, foster internships and assist with developing pathways for employment. The new programs include business degree options focused on entrepreneurship and certificates in hospitality management and event planning, inventory management, logistics and supply chain management.

“The Morris County Chamber of Commerce and Morris County Economic Development Corporation are proud to support the creation of the Career Technical Education Center and the Entrepreneurship and Culinary Science Center at CCM,” said Meghan Hunscher, president of the Morris County Chamber of Commerce. “These two facilities will help lay the foundation for continued economic growth in the county on three fronts. The CTEC will prepare students for future careers in focused growth sectors needing workers. Meanwhile the ECSC will provide young entrepreneurs with the training and mentoring they need to found the new businesses that are essential to driving economic growth. In addition, the center will provide essential support to many mid-career professionals and baby boomers seeking new opportunities and resources to follow through on new business ideas.”

To watch a video of the press conference, go to <https://youtu.be/TV3jKmAUANE/>. To view photos, visit <https://bit.ly/3AFZIEh>

tips and advice to live a more stress-free day. Available at the New Directions website at eap.ndbh.com. Use company code **ccm** and go to the bottom of the webpage and click on “A Better You” to sign up.

CCM Foundation Annual Golf Classic

Enjoy a day out on the links with the CCM Foundation and help support students with



fulfilling their dreams for a rewarding and satisfying life.

This year’s Annual CCM Foundation Golf Classic takes place Monday, September 27, at the Picatinny Golf Club in Dover and includes lunch and an extended cocktail hour. All participants will receive a special Golfer Gift and there will be a Hole in One Car and Prize Contest. Raffle prizes also will be given out during the evening program. The cost is \$175 per player. To register, go to www.ccm.edu/foundation/golf/.

Auditions for Fall Musical and Drama

The Department of Music, Performing Arts & Music Technologies will be holding auditions for its fall musical and drama in September.

Auditions for “Radium Girls” will be held on Wednesday, September 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the Dragonetti Auditorium. Callbacks will be held Monday, September 13, at 6:30 p.m. Those auditioning should prepare a brief dramatic monologue. The show dates are October 21 to 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Auditions for “Anything Goes” will be held on Thursday, September 9, and Tuesday, September 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Dragonetti Auditorium. Callbacks will be held, Thursday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m. Those who choose to audition should prepare with a short and appropriate musical selection and should bring sheet music for the accompanist. Comfortable clothing and attire for movement with jazz/character shoes are suggested for the dance call portion of the audition. Show dates for “Anything Goes” are November 19 and 20 at 7:30 p.m., with a Saturday matinee at 2 p.m.

SOCIAL MEDIA

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