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### CCM Shines in Latest College Scorecard

County College of Morris (CCM) stood tall among the 19 community colleges in New Jersey after the latest College Scorecard information was released by the U.S. Department of Education.

Of the 19, CCM was the leader when it came to students transferring to other institutions to continue their education, with a transfer rate six percentage points greater than the college with the second-best rate. CCM also had the seventh best graduation rate of its first-time, full-time college students, 2.6 percentage points better than the state community college average.



The value of CCM's education also compared favorably to its peer colleges. Its average yearly cost of \$5,195 was the sixth lowest of all 19 institutions, roughly \$900 less than the overall average. Students borrowing money at CCM also enjoy the fifth lowest monthly payment on their loans among New Jersey community college students.

"CCM's scorecard numbers and impressive rank among other New Jersey community colleges are products of the dedicated and talented faculty who serve our students," said Dr. Edward J. Yaw, president of CCM. "As leading experts in their fields, they provide an outstanding education that is also affordable." [Read more](#)

### Commencement to take Place May 23; Volunteers Needed

CCM's 44th Commencement Exercises will take place on May 23.

Regalia order forms are being sent to faculty and administration through campus mail. All faculty and administrators who need to order regalia should complete and return the forms to the Campus Store by March 11.

There will be no charge to the participants for the rental of graduation regalia. However, orders received in the Campus Store after March 11 will have a \$20 late fee for special handling and shipping. The fee will be charged to the participant's department. Any questions should be

## SCHEDULED EVENTS

Where applicable, click event title for more information

### Adult Open House

March 7 from 5 to 7 p.m., Davidson Rooms, Student Community Center

### Dance Theatre Concert

March 8 and 9 at 7:30 p.m., Dragonetti Auditorium, Student Community Center

### Seventh Annual Storytelling Festival

March 10 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., Davidson Rooms, Student Community Center

## SAVE THE DATES

### Foundation Scholarship Gala

April 26 at the Hyatt Morristown

### May Professional Days

May 15-16

Details to follow

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

### Upcoming Transfer Fair

Those looking to transfer to a four-year institution will have an opportunity to speak to representatives from more than 40 colleges and universities at a transfer fair on March 7 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Community Center Davidson Rooms. More information [can be found here](#).

### Summer Session Registration Open

Online registration for summer classes via WebAdvisor began February 11.

CCM offers four Summer Session programs: Summer 1, May 20 – June 22; Summer 2, June 24 – August 17; Summer 3, June 24 – July 27; and Summer 4, July 29 – August 17.

Payment for Summer Session 1 is due May 2; payment for Summer Sessions 2 and 3 is due June 6; and payment for Summer Session 4 is due July 11.

If you have any questions about registration, please contact Records and Registration at 973-328-5200 or [registrar@ccm.edu](mailto:registrar@ccm.edu). More information [can also be found here](#).

### LRC Move Changed to Spring Break Week

The dates of the Sherman H. Masten Learning Resource Center's (LRC) move to County College of Morris' (CCM) new building at 675 Route 10 East have been revised. To minimize disruption to students and faculty, spring break week has been selected for the rescheduled move. More on the change and

directed to Dolores Schepisi at the Campus Store (ext. 5151 or dschepisi@ccm.edu ).

While faculty are expected to don a cap and gown to be part of the commencement ceremony, you may also volunteer as an usher. Volunteers are needed to assist with the students' assembly and procession, as well as ushering guests from the front entrance. If you wish to volunteer as an usher, please email dbell@ccm.edu. Please note that if you are selected to usher, you will not need to order a cap and gown.



### **Need a Student Aide?**

Departments are being asked to review their needs for student aides due to the availability of Federal Work Study funds. If your department could benefit from a student aide, please contact the Office of Career Services and Cooperative Education at ext. 5245 for assistance. If you currently have a student aide employed that you are paying "out of budget" (completing a yellow timesheet) please contact Louise Massoni in the Financial Aid Office at ext. 5236 or at lmassoni@ccm.edu to inquire about whether the student may be eligible to be paid out of Federal Work Study funds (completing a green timesheet).

### **Campus Life Staffer Authors Book Series**



At home on a winter day with snow falling gently outside and nothing pressing to do, **Emily Guido**, a Campus Life assistant at CCM, was hit with an inspiration. Two characters came to mind, one light and one dark, and an epic paranormal romance was born. Today, she is the author of five books, comprising *The Light-Bearer Series*.

Guido will be holding a book signing at the Campus Store on Monday, March 4, from noon – 2 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Earlier this month, she took part in a book signing in Birmingham, AL, at the

invitation of her publisher, PDMI Direct Publishing Group ([www.pdmidirect.com](http://www.pdmidirect.com)). [Read more](#)

### **Latest Edition of the Youngtown off the Press**

The February 20 issue of *The Youngtown Edition*, CCM's award-winning student newspaper, [can be found here](#).

Look for copies in the distribution bins located throughout campus.

schedule [can be found here](#).

### **HR CORNER**

#### **Last Chance: Voluntary Life Insurance**

Friday, February 22 is the last day full-time employees will be able to sign up to purchase voluntary life insurance coverage. You can purchase life insurance for yourself and/or your dependents.

More information can be obtained by calling 800-871-1410 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

More [can also be found in this flyer](#).

#### **Retirement Consultation**

TIAA-CREF representative Zhee Moon will be on campus for one-on-one consultations on February 28 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Appointments are required by phone 866-843-5640.

MetLife representative David Sharpe will be on campus for one-on-one consultations on March 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Appointments are required by email at dsharpe2@metlife.com.

#### **Reminder: BJ's Discounted Membership**

Interested in joining **BJ's Wholesale Club**?

CCM employees have the opportunity to join or renew for a discounted rate until March 30. For more information, please see the flyer attached to the email titled "Upcoming Campus Visits" sent by HR Information on February 1.

#### **Update: Aerobics Kickoff Program**

A fun 12-week aerobics class has been developed as part of the CCM Health and Wellness Initiative in conjunction with Athletics and Intramurals for employees to enjoy at any fitness level. A 10-year certified personal trainer will conduct the sessions.

The program has been updated, and now runs from February 26 to May 16 on specific days of the week from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Space is limited, so make sure to sign up.

For more information, including how to sign up, [click here](#). A list of sessions [can be found here](#).

