

The CCMemo

County College of Morris Employee Newsletter



CCM EVENTS

Winter Break:

Thursday, December 24 - Wednesday, January 6



CCM and Morris County Partner to Provide COVID-19 Testing on Campus Once Again

CCM is working with the Morris County Office of Emergency Management to open another COVID-19 testing center on campus. This time, however, the testing will be conducted as a walk-in, rather than a drive-through, center. The testing will be restricted to the Davidson Rooms, the nearby restrooms and Parking Lot 6. A temporary plastic wall will be installed to isolate the area from the rest of the SCC. Individuals being tested also will be provided with a private entrance to maintain their distance from the college community. Testing will start on December 14 and take place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center will remain operational through the end of June, if needed. Testing will be by appointment only, which will limit the number of individuals coming to campus at one time. Those being tested will be asked to park in Lot 6 and to enter and exit the SCC from the Davidson Rooms entrance. Signs will be posted in and around the SCC to direct testing clients, as well as employees and students. Public Safety also is communicating with supervisors who have employees working in the SCC and MTC so they are aware of the details. CCM is making an important contribution to the well-being of the community by assisting with increased testing capacity. The testing center on campus is part of a broader county-wide plan that incorporates multiple testing locations, along with at-home testing. To learn more, visit <https://health.morriscountynj.gov/coronavirus/>. If you have any questions, please contact Sgt. Charlie Munk in the Department of Public Safety. Stay healthy!

STUDENT SERVICES

The Library

[In-Person and Remote Service](#)

Online Tutoring Center

More information, click [here](#).



Celebrating AMEC and its Impact on New Jersey's Future

CCM celebrates the Virtual Grand Opening of the new Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Center. We are grateful for the support of our local, state and federal officials, industry leaders, the media and the CCM campus community. [This video](#) details the impact AMEC will have on the manufacturing industry and the regional and state economy. AMEC will open new doors to the future for our students. It's exciting to see an insider's view of the state-of-the-art facility and to hear from CCM students, faculty, Board of Trustees and administrators. Also sharing in the excitement are Congresswoman Mikie Sherrill, State Senators Anthony M. Bucco and Steven V. Oroho, Freeholder Director Deborah A. Smith, Deputy Secretary of Higher Education Diana Gonzalez, Astronaut Clay Anderson, and YouTube and "Maker" TV star Jimmy DiResta.

A Food Truck to Develop Entrepreneurs for a Business with High-Customer Appeal

Mark Cosgrove, chair and professor of the Department of Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts, has a vision.



That vision is to prepare students to take advantage of a rapidly growing industry and sought-after culinary experience. That vision has now become a reality. CCM celebrates Cosgrove, Hospitality Management Lab Coordinator Emily Guderian, Vice President of Business and Finance Karen VanDerhoof, Assistant Vice President of Business and Finance Glenn Hamilton and the Purchasing department for their collaborative effort in purchasing the unit with grant funding. Culinary Arts has officially received the food truck to benefit the program and its students. The department's next step is to brand the truck with CCM's colors and logo. Now that the food truck is on campus, students will be able to gain hands-on experience and business training through a new Food Truck Entrepreneur course, as they serve up delicious fare on campus and other locations. [Read more](#).

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Resources for Dealing with Life's Challenges

During this pandemic, CCM remains committed to supporting its employees with dealing with life's challenges. As part of those efforts, it recently contracted with a new employee assistance provider, New Directions, which offers a wide range of free support and resources. The program not only assists with mental health issues but also with health, caregiving, family, financial matters and more. For the holiday season, New Directions has put together a Holiday Mental Health Toolkit to help individuals embrace new traditions during the pandemic. Check out its website at <https://eap.ndbh.com> and use company code **ccm** or call 800-624-5544 for more information and ways to enjoy this year's holiday season. To view some tips on how to stay connected and embrace new traditions, [click here](#).



Dover College Promise (DCP) is a grant-funded educational partnership that provides an opportunity for CCM to invest further in its dedication to inclusion and diversity. DCP provides Dover middle school and high school students with free after-school tutoring, financial support, career and educational planning, along with a multitude of other services, so they can secure a path to a quality higher education.

What organization provided the grant so CCM could start Dover College Promise?

Email agnibene@ccm.edu with your answer. First three correct submissions will receive a CCM canvas bag. Please include your room number with your answer.

Holiday Payroll Deadlines

Due to the holiday closing, the Payroll department is requiring that all Department Summary Timesheets (PTAA) be submitted to Payroll@ccm.edu or electronically approved by the end of the workday on Thursday, December 17, or first thing Friday morning, December 18. This is necessary to process the payroll in time for the December 31 pay date. The schedule is tight and all employees must meet this deadline. Any payroll not submitted on time will not be paid until 2021.



CCM Chatbot Provides Easy Access to Answers about the College

CCM has partnered with a new company to add a more comprehensive Titus Talks chatbot on its website to provide students and others with an easy way to get answers about the college – in both English and Spanish. Titus Talks provides the college with the means to respond quickly to questions, so staff can be more readily available to assist those seeking comprehensive support.

“CCM is dedicated to providing students with resources and services to improve their educational experience and journey,” notes Dr. Bette Simmons, vice president of Student Development and Enrollment Management. “In the current and ever-changing environment, it’s imperative that students get answers quickly as they make decisions for their educational future. CCM recognizes, for students, questions can’t wait.”

CCM has contracted with Ocelot to provide the chatbot. [Read more.](#)

Prudential

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

TIAA representative Tatiana Novozhilova is available at 800-732-8353 or visit www.TIAA.org/schedulenow to make an appointment.

VALIC representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments. Call 908-470-4114 or email 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 for individual appointments. To make an appointment email johnmurray@voyafa.com or call 609-234-3369.

NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to both Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu and Theresa Gehring at tgehring@ccm.edu.

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

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

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.



KUDOS

Dr. Matthew Jones, chair and professor of the Department of Communication, and Communication Professors Michelle Altieri and Rob Lauzon, along with the Department of Marketing and Public Relations, again served as district judges for the Morris County VFW Voice of Democracy contest for high school students. This is the third year in a row they all have served as judges. Winners at the district level advance to the state level and winners at that level move to the national contest. Each year, the Voice of Democracy contest provides nearly 40,000 students from across the county with the opportunity to win a \$30,000 scholarship for their university, college of vocational/technical education.