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**ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS &
PLANTING THE SEEDS FOR A SECURE FUTURE.**

A Very Warm Spring 2019 Welcome!

Dear EOF *Scholars*,

I wanted to take this time and welcome you to the new spring semester. We are so happy to see so many of you back and we are excited to have so many new faces joining our EOF family this term. This is our largest



est spring EOF class we've had to date! We can't wait to start working with all of you and to support your academic endeavors at CCM.

We hope your semester is off to a good start. You know your EOF family is here to make sure you get it done, and to provide you with the right tools to succeed in your classes. In just a few weeks, mid-terms will be right upon us. We know that becomes a very stressful time, so take action NOW and get the support you need; go see your professors during office hours, ask

questions and engage with them. They are an amazing resource. Maybe you need extra help, or just have a question. Remember to seek tutoring at our Tutoring Center, (where we have a variety of options for you in math, science, writing, speech and many other subjects). Additionally, we have weekly math group tutoring, online tutoring via **Smarthinking 24/7** (access through Blackboard) and academic workshops in a variety of topics; make use of these resources to secure your success!

Most importantly, remain connected with your EOF counselors. They are YOUR personal champions and will work with you to strategize a plan to get you to graduation! I have no doubt that you will do what you need to do to finish the academic year strong!



As you get through the next few weeks, just a **few other important reminders** to make sure you have a smooth semester:

- 📅 File your financial aid for the 2019-2020 academic year www.fafsa.ed.gov and then remember to submit the state's additional questions (you can do



BAD WEATHER

Communication Methods During Inclement Weather

Titan Alert System is now in effect, notifications will come exclusively through Titan communication system.

- ◆ Titan Alert. Alerts will be forwarded to your CCM email account, and any additional contact points, including personal email, phone calls and **text messaging**. For more information about Titan Alert, go to <http://www.ccm.edu/titan.alert.aspx>.
- ◆ Check the CCM website at www.ccm.edu.
- ◆ If you never received Titan Alert, call the emergency information number 973-328-5580.

The college makes every effort to communicate closing or delayed opening information as soon as possible.



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that on the FAFSA confirmation page or go directly to HESAA.org). If you don't complete this process, you will not be considered for state aid (EOF & TAG grants). Deadline coming up April 15th!!! Do it NOW and EARLY! You can lose thousands in funding. We can help you with this, if you have questions!

- ✂ Fall 2019 advisement is coming up soon, make sure to see your EOF counselor first, do your pre-advising and then go to your academic advisor. Take advantage of advisement week, we'll have walk-in times - no appointment needed. Get the schedule you need and want!
- ✂ Want to take summer classes?

Registration is happening now, see your EOF counselor. Letters have been mailed out in case you want to be considered to be reimbursed for the cost of your summer class, be on the lookout for that. Submission of requests are due March 22nd.

- ✂ Graduating this spring or summer? See your EOF counselor and we'll assist you with the transfer process and your applications, if you are looking at four year colleges.
- ✂ Save The Date - **Wednesday, April 24, 2018** 6 pm - Annual EOF Awards Dinner Ceremony. Our signature EOF event of the year, where we will celebrate YOUR academic accomplish-

ments.

- ✂ Keep up with EOF via social media. Like us on Facebook @EOFCCM, follow us on Instagram and Twitter @eofccm - Important updates, announcements, student features and reminders will be posted regularly.

We look forward to working with you throughout the term. If I can be of any support, my door is always open!

Sincerely,



Dr. Pamela Marcenaro
Dean, Learning Support & Opportunity Services

Fall 2018 Academic Achievement Honor Roll!!!

THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS HAVE ACHIEVED ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FOR THE FALL 2018 SEMESTER:

<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>SEMESTER</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE</u>
1. Andrea Argueta	4.000	4.000
2. Angel Espada	4.000	3.454
3. Juan Palacio Zapata	4.000	3.635
4. Oloruntoyin Shobitan	4.000	2.360
5. Luis Velasquez-Rodriguez	3.835	3.835
6. Nour Albazari	3.750	3.750
7. Cesar Rubio	3.701	3.743
8. Juan Angel-Tamayo	3.690	3.547
9. Nicole Doucette	3.687	3.701
10. Ashley Diaz Mena	3.667	3.667
11. Dajah McGowan	3.667	3.667
12. Mar Jan Fernando Atienza	3.615	3.640
13. Jacob Baldwin	3.500	3.500
14. Jonathan Vega	3.500	2.497

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<u>STUDENT</u>	<u>SEMESTER</u>	<u>CUMULATIVE</u>
15. Daniela Agudelo	3.437	3.437
16. Morgan Urban	3.400	3.400
17. Idtza Huamantuco-Carpio	3.308	3.308
18. Wilson Sorto	3.284	3.234
19. Andrea Reyes	3.256	3.199
20. Jennifer Reyes Sorto	3.250	2.939
21. Shakirah Porter	3.223	3.119
22. Diana Taveras	3.223	3.464
23. Isis Coto Coles	3.165	2.798
24. Devin Murray	3.156	3.237
25. Carlos Gomez	3.144	2.726
26. Yamil Bernard Hiciano	3.143	3.141
27. Carly Jameson	3.143	3.477
28. Alejandro Palacio Zapata	3.110	3.110
29. Odalys Toruno	3.052	2.559
30. William Castillo	3.000	3.000
31. Diana Figueroa	3.000	2.272
32. Essence Johnson	3.000	2.845
33. Natalie Otero Lopez	3.000	3.256
34. Adriana Rodriguez	3.000	1.487

EOF Student Alliance UPDATE!

The EOF Student Alliance Kick-Off planned for Jan. 29 was cancelled due to snow, and rescheduled for Feb. 7 with only a few students attending. Those students who will be leading this semester, Angel Espada (past president) Melissa Lapinski, (Co-President) and Shakirah Porter (Co-President) decided to have another Kick off meeting on Feb. 21 with a pizza party to bring in more students. During that meeting, we discussed the Tricky Tray fundraiser, collecting items for Haiti orphans and the

upcoming college visit to Centenary college in Hackettstown. They applied to obtain an individual campus club room in the SCC, but scheduled future meetings in Cohen Hall classrooms for now.

Students staffed the EOF table at the Campus Life Welcome Bash Fair on Feb. 5, supplying popcorn, EOF information, and getting sign-ups for the Alliance. Thank you to all who participated! We received many inquiries about EOF and the Alliance.

Teddy Bear Donations at the Teddy Bear Factory in the SCC lobby was



originally scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 12, but due to a snow day was held Feb. 13 instead. A few students stopped by and gave donations of newly stuffed animals that will be given to children at the Goryeb Children's Hospital at a later date.

All EOF scholars are asked to help our Annual EOF Tricky Tray fundraiser. Here are some ways to help- consider donating a new item, such as a water bottle, travel mug, ceramic bowl, planter, candle, bath set, or



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ask a local business to donate a gift card or service. This is our big fundraiser to help supply our funds for student book loans, emergency loans, honor society fees and more! All donations must be new and in original wrapping.

When asking local merchants for donations, bring the Merchant Letter with you (available in EOF) which explains the EOF Program and how these funds are used. Be an ambassador for EOF! Most businesses are happy to give something. Examples: Hair Salons donating a certificate for a hair service, accountants have do-

nated a tax prep service, and Starbucks has donated a mug and gift card.



Community service hours given for ALL your time asking for donations or for donating something yourself. We need everyone's help to make this a successful fundraiser! All donations need to be in EOF by MARCH 7. Our all-day Tricky Tray is on April 2, when we will need many volunteers to sell tickets, 10-3. Mark your calendar!

Future meeting dates will be: 3/7,

2:00 pm in CH 260, 3/21 in EOF to wrap baskets for Tricky Tray, 4/4 in CH 263, and 4/18 in CH 263, and 5/2 in CH 263. On May 16, the Alliance will have their usual end of the year luncheon and announce the Leadership Award recipient at Forte's Restaurant, 12 noon-1:30.



WORKSHOPS

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Monday, February 25 2:00 PM—3:00 PM	Study Skills & Testing Strategies	Cohen Hall, Room CH 203
Wednesday, February 27 11:00 AM—12:00 PM	Support Group for Healthy Relationships	Cohen Hall, Room CH 155
Thursday, February 28 12:30 PM—1:30 PM	How to Write a Research Paper	DeMare Hall, Room DH 114
Tuesday, March 5 12:30 PM—1:30 PM	Math Anxiety	DeMare Hall, Room DH 157
Tuesday, March 5, 12:30 PM—1:45 PM	“Stressed Out” Workshop	Cohen Hall, Room CH 203
Wednesday, March 6 10:30 AM—1:30 PM	Transfer Fair <i>Meet college Reps in Tri-State area</i>	Student Community Center Davidson Rooms, SCC 234 A-D
Thursday, March 7 12:30 PM—1:15 PM	The Battle: MLA vs. APA	DeMare Hall, Room DH 114
Thursday, March 7 12:30 PM—1:45 PM	Match Your Major To Your Personality	Cohen Hall, Room CH 203

* Door Prize & Giveaways

COMMUNITY SERVICE



WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
Friday & Saturday, March 1 & 2 7:00 PM	Usher at 50th Anniversary Retro Retro Dance Concert <i>(Sign up with Colleen McArdle)</i>	Dragonetti Auditorium
Tuesday, March 5 2:00 PM—4:00 PM	Transfer Fair—Set up) <i>(Sign up in Counseling Office with Kari Hawkins)</i>	Student Community Center Davidson Rooms SCC 118
Thursday, March 6 10:00 AM—1:00 PM	Transfer Fair—Greet)	Student Community Center Davidson Rooms SCC 234 A-D



SAVE THE DATE

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND ANNUAL AWARDS & RECOGNITION DINNER CEREMONY



SCC—Davidson Rooms

Wed. April 24, 2019



Tricky Tray Fundraiser ticket sale will take place prior to Awards Dinner from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the Davidson Rooms. Winning tickets will be selected at the beginning of the program.





February Is Black History Month 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
17	18	Support Group, Healthy Relationships 12:30 PM, CH 160 Legacy Project: Film Chasing Coral, 12:30 PM & 7:00 PM CH 124	19	20	21	22
24	25	26	27	28		
	Study Skills & Testing Strategies, 2:00 PM CH 203		Support Group for Anxiety, 11:00 AM CH 155	How to Write a Research Paper, 12:30 PM DH 114		

COUNSELOR'S CLIPBOARD

Important Dates

- 🧠 Have you seen your EOF Counselor **YET??** If not, schedule an appointment **TODAY!**
- 🧠 First Progress Reports are coming in! Be sure to see yours.
- 🧠 Schedule weekly tutoring sessions if you are in Basic Math, Intermediate Algebra, Writing Skills and Science Courses. (See your counselor for details). The Tutoring Center is in DeMare Hall, Room DH 156. Schedule tutoring sessions online. See information on bulletin board.
- 🧠 Tuesday, March 19—Spring Ahead on Your FAFSA—Get Help in EOF, 10:00 AM—1:00 PM. (Deadline is April 15!!)

“We must remember that intelligence is not enough. Intelligence plus character-that is the goal of true education. The complete education gives one not only power of concentration, but worthy objectives upon which to concentrate.” — Martin Luther King, Jr.