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So that more can be first...

TRIO/SSS Receives \$1.7 million grant



Academic Calendar

September

16
12-Week Minimester Begins

18
Financial Aid Check Disbursement

October

12-13
Fall Break, No Curriculum Classes

14
Spring Schedule Available

15
8-Week Minimester I Ends

16
8-Week Minimester II Begins

26
Last date students can drop 16-week courses without academic penalty

November

9-10
Priority Registration for Spring 2021

11
Veteran's Day Holiday, Institution Closed

12
Spring 2021 Registration begins for all students

26
Thanksgiving Holiday, Institution Closed

27-29
Institution Closed

December

1
Fall Graduation Application Due

16
Fall Term Ends

18
Grades Due

23
Institution Closes at Noon

24-31
Institution Closed

For a calendar of events and activities, visit www.cccti.edu

CCC&TI Awarded \$1.7 million to Help Students Succeed In College

The U.S. Department of Education announced that Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute will receive a federal Student Support Services (SSS) grant of \$1,728,195 to help more students succeed in and graduate from college. CCC&TI's TRIO Student Support Services got its start in fall 1993 and over the last 27 years has helped more than 1,000 local students earn a degree.

SSS helps college students who are low income, first generation (those whose parents do not have a four-year college degree) and/or students with disabilities. The array of services the grant will provide are comprehensive and will include academic tutoring, financial aid advice, career and college mentoring, help in choosing courses, and other forms of assistance. Such services enhance academic success and make it more likely that students will graduate or transfer with the lowest possible debt. Many SSS alumni have gone on to great success, among them Emmy, Tony and Academy-Award winning actress Viola Davis, U.S. Rep. Gwendolyn Moore of Wisconsin's 4th District and Franklin Chang-Diaz, the first Hispanic astronaut.

SSS began in 1968 and is one of the eight federal "TRIO" programs authorized by the Higher Education Act to help college students succeed in higher education. It recognizes that students whose parents do not have a college degree have more difficulties navigating the complexity of decisions that college requires for success; it bolsters students from low-income families who have not had the academic opportunities that their college peers have had, and helps students with disabilities remove obstacles preventing them from thriving academically.

On the Cover:

Pictured at center are CCC&TI TRIO staff members, from left, Counselor Becky Boone, Academic Specialist Julie Parsons, TRIO Director Emily Garrison, Administrative Assistant Pat Pritchard and Watauga Campus Academic Specialist Diane Mazza.

"We are excited and honored to be awarded funding for another 5 years to serve the students of Caldwell and Watauga counties," said CCC&TI TRIO Director Emily Garrison. "We believe there is something special about being a first-generation college student and are thankful to our TRIO students for allowing us to be a part of their college journey."

"The COVID-19 pandemic has worsened the systemic inequality and financial hardship which keep promising students from succeeding in college. Student Support Services is needed now more than ever," said Maureen Hoyler. Hoyler is the president of the non-profit Council for Opportunity in Education in Washington, D.C., dedicated to furthering the expansion of college opportunities for low-income, first-generation students, and students with disabilities.

For more than 50 years, the Student Support Services program has made important contributions to individuals and society as a whole by providing a broad range of services to help students succeed. This vital program can and does make all the difference.

For more information on TRIO/Student Support Services at CCC&TI, call 828-726-2726, 828-297-2185 ext. 5279 or visit www.cccti.edu.

J.E. Broyhill Civic Center announces 2020-2021 Showcase of Stars

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's J.E. Broyhill Civic Center has announced the lineup for its 2020-2021 Showcase of Stars. This season will feature returning favorites as well as some new faces for a variety of entertainment options.

Following is a schedule of events for the season:

John Driskell Hopkins Saturday, Nov. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

The musical career of John Driskell Hopkins spans more than 20 years. As a member of several rock bands, Hopkins first rooted himself in the Atlanta music scene in 1995 — but he is most well known as a founding member, vocalist, multi-instrumentalist and songwriter of the GRAMMY Award-winning Zac Brown Band (ZBB). Hopkins helped write, engineer and perform numerous hit songs which, thus far, have garnered three GRAMMY awards, and landed the group on Saturday Night Live as the musical guests in March 2015. When he's not performing with the ZBB, Hopkins performs at music festivals and venues across the country with his original six-piece band, The John Driskell Hopkins Band, which includes: Mike Rizzi on drums/vocals;



Sean McIntyre on bass/vocals; Leah Calvert on fiddle/vocals; Greg Earnest on banjo; and Brian Bisky on keyboard/vocals. If you enjoy the homegrown sound of the Zac Brown Band, you'll love John Driskell Hopkins. Catch him on stage at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir on Saturday, Nov. 21 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the show are \$22 for adults and \$15 for children and students.

Denver and the Mile High Orchestra - Traditional Big Band Christmas Friday, Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m.

What is the measure of a band? Devoted fans? Longevity? A body of work that continues to grow and is as fresh today as it was the day it was recorded? Denver Bierman and the Mile High Orchestra can answer yes to all of those questions and more as they continue shaping and defining who they are as artists and defying genres and generations. Denver and the Mile High Orchestra wowed all of America, as they made the finale of the FOX-TV "American Idol" spin off "The Next Great American Band." While the music is what defines the band, the live show makes a fan for life. Tight production, a lot of fun and the unexpected make "DMHO live" an experience like no other. This concert will feature traditional big band holiday tunes just in time to ring in the season. See the show on Friday, Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center in Lenoir. Tickets for the show are \$24 for adults and \$10 for children and students.



Milton Harkey Bluegrass presents Dailey & Vincent

Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Dubbed by CMT as “The Rock Stars of Bluegrass,” the Dailey & Vincent duo has been hailed throughout the music industry as one of the most exciting, reputable and elite Bluegrass bands in America. Dailey & Vincent have won numerous awards for their uniquely contagious and riveting music. Get your tickets early as Dailey & Vincent is usually a sell-out show! Tickets are \$35.50 for adults and \$19.05 for students/children.



Masters of Soul

Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Masters of Soul is a celebration of the legendary songs and performers that defined Motown and soul music. For many, Masters of Soul is the ultimate stroll down memory lane. For younger generations, the show offers an opportunity to experience an era in our country’s history that produced many of the greatest music acts ever recorded. Masters of Soul has performed to numerous sold-out audiences and garnered rave reviews across the country. Enjoy the hits from Gladys Knight & The Pips, Marvin Gaye, Smokey Robinson, The Temptations, Diana Ross, Barry White and many more! Tickets for the show are \$18.50 for adults and \$10 for children and students.



Caldwell Traditional Musicians Showcase Hosted by Kay and Patrick Crouch

Saturday, March 6 at 7:30 p.m.

Celebrating over two decades of promoting local music and talent, the Caldwell Traditional Musicians Showcase hosted by local musicians Kay and Patrick Crouch will feature a line-up of local musicians who are helping to keep the community’s rich history of traditional music alive today. Don’t miss the annual Caldwell Traditional Musicians Showcase. Tickets for the show are \$11 for adults and \$5.50 for students and children.



Comedian Chonda Pierce
Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Emmy-nominated and best-selling comedian Chonda Pierce, or “the country comic” as Billboard Magazine dubbed her, has been making audiences laugh for more than two decades with her winning combination of fierce wit and southern charm. A stand-up comedian, television hostess, author and actress, Pierce has channeled her life experiences into positivity, bringing laughter to audiences around the country. Tickets for the show are \$30 for adults and \$18 for children and students.



The J.E. Broyhill Civic Center is offering a “Pick 3” Season Subscriber option. Patrons can pick three shows and receive the discounted subscriber rate. Patrons can also opt for an “All-In” rate of \$84 that includes one ticket to all six shows.

All dates and scheduled performances are subject to change.

All ticket prices listed include taxes and fees. For more information about becoming a Season Subscriber or for individual tickets, call the Civic Center Box Office at 828-726-2404 or visit www.broyhillcenter.com.

2020 Trustees’ Student Awards of Merit

Two recent graduates of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute were recognized this week with the Board of Trustees’ Student Awards of Merit. Students are nominated for the annual award by CCC&TI faculty and staff. This year’s winners are: Madeline Schmidt, a 2020 graduate of CCC&TI who is now attending Lenoir-Rhyne University, and Riley Houck, a 2020 graduate of CCC&TI and Caldwell Early College High School who is now attending St. John’s University in New York. CCC&TI Board of Trustees Treasurer Ann Smith presented the two awards on Wednesday at a brief ceremony on campus in Hudson. Schmidt received her award in person and Houck joined via video conference call. The

awards are usually presented at the college’s annual graduation ceremonies, which were cancelled this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Progress on New Projects

Lineworker Facility

Site prep behind the Caldwell Campus recently began for the new Electrical Lineworker facility. Workers have removed trees and began grading the site, adjacent to the existing Electrical Lineworker pole yard. Once completed, the new facility will provide much-needed space for the program, including an indoor pole yard.



Center for Advanced Technologies

Work continues on the Paul H. Broyhill Center for Advanced Technology adjacent to the Transportation and Public Services Center in Hudson. The facility, which will provide space for multiple classrooms and a simulated manufacturing environment, will soon house the engineering, machining and mechatronics programs.



CCC&TI Dean to Serve as President of Accreditation Board

Congratulations to CCC&TI Dean of Health Sciences Barbara Harris. Harris was recently elected President of the Board for The International Council of Accreditation and to the International Joint Commission on Allied Health Personnel in Ophthalmology as a board member at large.

Fall 2020 Student Activities

September 1-December 4 • Catch the Cobra for a Chromebook

Catch the Cobra Social Media Contest. Twice monthly prizes plus be entered to win a Chromebook at the end of the semester.

November 12 • Veterans Day Activities

National Society of Leadership and Success

Invitations to join NSLS will be sent via email Aug. 14 to Sept. 21. Deadline to join: Sept. 21

Orientations will be held Live online at these dates and times:

Sept. 23 at 3 pm • Sept. 24 at 5:30 pm • Sept. 25 at 12 pm

Leadership Training Day: Oct. 1, 5:30 pm - 8 pm • Fall 2020 Speaker Dates: October 13, 20, and 27

In the LRC

TUESDAY TRIVIA

Each Tuesday, students will have the opportunity to be entered into the weekly drawing by answering 5 trivia questions and sending the correct answers to ccctiLRC@cccti.edu

What's Next Virtual Workshops

Free and open to all CCC&TI Students • Tuesdays or Thursdays, 12-1 pm

- 9/22 - MBTI Personality & Careers
- 9/24 - How to prepare for a job fair
- 10/8 - Job Searching during Covid-19
- 10/20 - Increasing Access & Opportunity
- 10/29 - Bachelors Degree without leaving home
- 11/5 - Interview Skills & Networking

Links to individual workshops will be sent via student email and are available on the CCC&TI website.

Grab-N-Go Online Challenge

Visit www.cccti.edu to sign up. You will receive the bimonthly online challenge by email. Students who complete the challenges have an opportunity to win online gift codes and other prizes.



Dates and Topics:

- 10/1 - LRC Support
- 10/15 - APA 7th edition
- 10/29 - NCLive
- 11/12 - Choose Your Own Adventure: Literature or Desmos

All information and events are subject to change according to local, state and national guidelines issued in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

CCC&TI's current guidelines and protocols are posted on the college's website at www.cccti.edu





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CCC&TI Donates Face Shields for Band Students

CCC&TI recently donated 3-D printed faceshields made by college faculty and staff to both South Caldwell High School and Hibriten High School's band programs.

Top right: CCC&TI Fine Arts - Music program director Justin Butler presents faceshields to SCHS Band Director Jason Childers.

Bottom Right: Justin Butler presents face shields to HHS Band Director Hunter Soots.

Special thanks to the faculty and staff members involved in making the face shields!



There's still time to register for late start classes and job training classes through Continuing Education.

For a full list of upcoming courses and registration information, visit: www.cccti.edu



Local companies will introduce you to their businesses, available job opportunities, salaries and benefits, and education and training requirements in these online workshops. **Open to students, alumni and the public.**

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**Wednesday, Sept. 30
12 p.m. via Collaborate**



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