



*Spring 2022*



**CALDWELL  
ATHLETICS**



*Update*



## Calendar

### February

25  
FA Check Disbursement for  
2nd 12-week and previous  
start dates.

### March

1  
FAFSA Priority Date for Sum-  
mer 2022

7-Week Minimester Ends

Spring Graduation Application  
Deadline

7-11  
Spring Break, No Curriculum  
Classes

14  
Cobra Pride Day

7-Week Minimester II Begins

17  
J.E. Broyhill Civic Center  
Presents: Livingston Taylor,  
7:30 p.m.

21  
Last day students can drop  
without academic penalty.

30  
12-Week Minimester II Begins

31  
2021/22 FAFSA Priority Date  
for Summer 2022

For a full calendar  
of events and  
activities, including  
Cobra Athletics  
events, visit  
[www.cccti.edu](http://www.cccti.edu)

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events listed in this  
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to change according to  
institutional, local, state  
and national guidelines  
issued in response to  
the COVID-19 pandemic.

For the most up to date  
information and CCC&-  
TI's current guidelines  
and protocols, visit  
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## Cobra Athletics Update

from CCC&TI Athletic Director, Jeff Link

### Basketball:

With two weeks (three games) remaining in the regular season, the Cobras are 21-5 overall and tied for first place in Region 10 Division 1 with an 8-3 record. Shawn Nelson currently leads the team in scoring at 13.1 points per game, while Toyaz Soloman is 13th in the nation in blocked shots with 55. On February 8, the Cobras avenged an earlier loss to Spartanburg Methodist, coming back from a 13-point halftime deficit to win 88-75 on the road. In the team's final regular season home game on February 12, the Cobras won 73-54 over Denmark Tech. The Cobras travel to the coast to face Cape Fear and Brunswick on February 18-19, before finishing the regular season at Gaston on February 24. The Region 10 Division tournament is scheduled for March 1, 3, and 5, with the higher seeded team serving as the host for each game. Updated Region 10 standing and tournament information can be found at <https://regionx.prestosports.com/>



### Baseball:

The Cobras began the 2022 season at home on February 2, falling to Gaston by a score of 8-3. The Cobras picked up their first win of the season, defeating Wake Tech in Raleigh on February 6 by a score of 14-2. Breon Ishmael leads the team with three home runs and five RBI in three games. The Cobras will be on the road for games against Combine Academy, Chattanooga State, and Cleveland before returning home on February 25 to face CCBC-Essex at 3PM.

### Softball:

The Cobras swept of Belmont-Abbey JV on February 9 to open the 2022 season. In game one, the Cobras won 8-0 with Abby Reeves getting three RBI while Kaylee Redwine and Christa Walsh each had a home run. On the mound, Lauren Anderson got the complete game victory, giving up only one hit and one walk while striking out six. Caldwell won game two by a score of 7-1. Lauren Anderson collected a two RBI home run and Kiara Dewey had two RBI. For the doubleheader, Caldwell had a total of 13 hits including three home runs and four doubles. Defensively, Caldwell allowed only 6 hits, struck out 12 while walking three. The Cobras return home on February 19 for a doubleheader against Spartanburg Methodist at 1PM.



For all the latest information, updated schedules and team standings, visit [www.cccti.edu/GoCobras](http://www.cccti.edu/GoCobras), follow CCC&TI Athletics on social media or scan the QR code.

## CCC&TI Student Success Story: Adam Cardwell

By: Julie Couch, Coordinator, Adult Basic Education



The symbol for autism is a puzzle piece. Many people view that symbolism as the idea that autistic individuals are a tough puzzle to solve. At Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute (CCC&TI), we view that symbol as a challenge to bring the student, school, and community pieces together for the greatest benefit to the student. Adam Cardwell is one such success story where the pieces fit perfectly.

Adam has been an Adult Basic Education student at CCC&TI since 2016, when he graduated from high school with an occupational diploma. While a student in the ABE class, Adam has shown himself to be a leader many times. Students in the class look up to him, and he is loved and respected by his instructors as well. He is active at church and in Special Olympics.



Adam always aspired to enter the workforce, but that path can be difficult for an individual with intellectual or developmental differences. He applied at some local businesses, but the process was hard to navigate and he was frustrated. He continued to come to class, where he was improving his academic and social skills and participating in the class career modules, but still wanted to make that step into the workforce.

The CCC&TI Transitional Studies Department seeks to assist individuals with learning, intellectual, or developmental differences to overcome barriers to employment through the CAFÉ program, short for Career Assistance For Everyone. Students have the opportunity to gain the education and work readiness skills needed to successfully enter the workforce. The program works with local employers and agencies in the area, offering hands-on training through in-class “career modules”, and on-the-job internships. These career modules have included workplace skills in laundry, office assistant, housekeeping, janitorial, entrepreneurial skills, and grocery store positions.

Adam was excited about the program, and worked hard at each module. He approached Julie Couch, Adult Basic Education Coordinator, about the possibility of a job coach to help him find employment. Julie referred Adam to Vocational Rehabilitation, and he was paired with a caseworker there. In November of 2021, Adam’s class began an onsite internship at a local drugstore where students gained the necessary skills for the role of stocker in a retail environment. Under the direction of his instructor, Kyle Pelfrey, Adam excelled, and even helped train his fellow students.

In January 2022, the pieces fit together for Adam. With his increased academic and life skills, experience from the career modules, the internship skills, and with the help of a job coach through Vocational Rehabilitation, Adam started an income-producing job as a stocker at a local Food Lion. Congratulations, Adam. Your CCC&TI family is very proud of all you’ve accomplished!



## Instructor Earns MESH Credential

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute Workforce Development Instructor and Trainer Tim Wallace recently earned his Manager of Environmental Safety and Health (MESH) certificate.

The certificate is awarded to those who complete 100 hours of continuing education through the Safety and Health Council of North Carolina, the NC Department of Labor and NC State University.

“We commend Mr. Wallace’s efforts to meet high standards of proficiency in the environmental, safety and health field through substantial professional experience, training and superior performance,” said Wendy Laing, Director of Industry Expansion Solutions (IES) Professional Learning at NC State.

For CCC&TI and its Continuing Education students, Wallace’s obtainment of this nationally recognized standard helps the college better serve local businesses and industries by providing certified safety training.



## Local Officials Visit Criminal Justice Class

District Attorney Scott Reilly, who represents Burke, Caldwell and Catawba counties, was the guest speaker recently in Justin Levey’s Introduction to Criminal Justice class on the Caldwell Campus in Hudson. Also participating was Mitch Walker, Chief Assistant District Attorney. The class also included a live video feed to South Caldwell High School students who also are enrolled in the Criminal Justice course.



## CCC&TI Fine Arts Director Earns Award

Congratulations to CCC&TI Visual Arts Program Director Tom Thielemann, whose hand-printed photopolymer gravure print “Dalton” (shown at left) won a Judge’s Merit Award in the Caldwell Arts Council’s EXPOSURES Photography Competition. The work was on display in January along with other competition submissions at the Art Council Gallery.



## CCC&TI Director Earns Doctorate

Congratulations to CCC&TI's Dean of Career and Technical Education, Dr. Keegan Anderson. (Pictured left.) Anderson earned his Doctorate in Education from North Carolina State University in December 2021.

## Upcoming CCC&TI Performing Artist Series Events

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's Associate in Fine Arts – Music Program will host two upcoming events as part of the Spring 2022 Performing Artist Concert Series. These events are free and open to all students.

Following is a schedule of upcoming events and additional details.

On Thursday, March 17 at 1 p.m., CCC&TI will host the Stones Throw Celtic Trio. The trio was formed in 2014 around the love of and desire to play Celtic Music with friends and fellow musicians. Since that time, the unique trio has become well-known regionally and regularly performs at special events and Celtic events such as Highland games.

The musicians that makeup Stone's Throw are Diana Stone on violin, Margaret Walters on flute, and Dr. Martha Hill on Celtic Harp. All three musicians are classically trained and hold degrees in music, and have a shared love for exploring the Irish and Scottish music of their heritage. They also play selections from other Celtic regions including Cape Breton, Wales and the Isle of Man.

The event will be held in the CCC&TI Recital Hall, room B-100 on the Caldwell Campus. This event is free and open to all students and employees.

On Wednesday, April 27 at 1 p.m., the CCC&TI Chorus Ensemble will present their Spring Concert under the direction of Instructor Celia Sexton. This event will be held in the CCC&TI Recital Hall, room B-100 on the Caldwell Campus, and is free and open to all students and employees.

## CCC&TI Donates Computers to CCS

CCC&TI donated approximately 200 desktop computers to Caldwell County Schools in late January. We're thankful for our community partnerships and happy to assist with providing technology for local students and educators.



# Campus Happenings



## Revive & Thrive

On the Caldwell Campus, spring activities are well underway, offering students a variety of events and workshops to attend. SGA hosted a Revive & Thrive Yoga and Tai Chi event to help students unwind, destress and focus on their well-being.

## TRIO Deli

The Caldwell Campus hosted the semester's first TRIO Deli on Feb. 9. The event included a workshop by Becky Boone about managing stress as well as chilli and baked potatoes for lunch.



## CCC&TI Hosts Alumni Event

CCC&TI hosted its first Alumni Social on Thursday, Feb. 10 on the Caldwell Campus. Alumni enjoyed a meet and greet with refreshments and then enjoyed the Cobras vs. USC-Salk basketball game following the event.



## Welcome Back Days

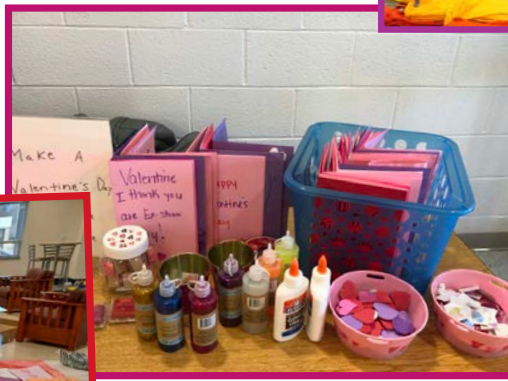
Watauga Campus SGA students hosted "Welcome Back Days" for all students with free t-shirts and snacks to help them get the semester started on a positive note.



## Spreading the Love

In honor of Valentine's Day, the Watauga Campus SGA also offered students the chance to take an art project to go and supplies to make cards for local Nursing Home residents throughout the community.

SGA Officers made additional cards and delivered them to three Watauga County Nursing homes on Friday, Feb. 11. Valentine's from the students on Caldwell Campus went to the J. Iverson Riddle Development Center in Morganton.



# 1 Application

## 30 Minutes

### 100+ CCC&TI

#### Foundation

##### Scholarships



**Now is the time to apply for Foundation of CCC&TI Scholarships!**

**100+ Scholarships from \$250 up to \$2,500 are available to students planning to attend CCC&TI this fall!**

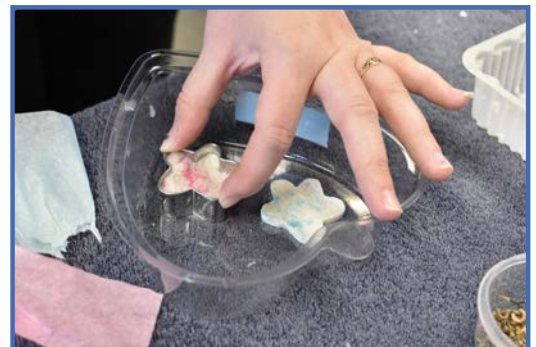
**Just one easy, online application allows you to be considered for all Foundation Scholarships.**

**Priority Deadline is April 8, 2022**

**For more information or to apply visit [www.cccti.edu/scholarships](http://www.cccti.edu/scholarships)**

## Students Create Thoughtful Valentines

CCC&TI's Watauga Campus 3D Design and Sculpture students created Valentine seed-paper hearts by using paper casting. The paper pulp was made from recycled brown paper bags and from watercolor paper scraps left over from the printmaking class. Wildflower seeds and colored tissues were added to the paper pulp mixtures before being formed in heart-shaped molds. Once dry, the paper hearts were removed from molds. The heart can be torn into pieces and planted in the spring. An excellent way to show love for others and for our planet!





## January Cobra Cares Award Recipients

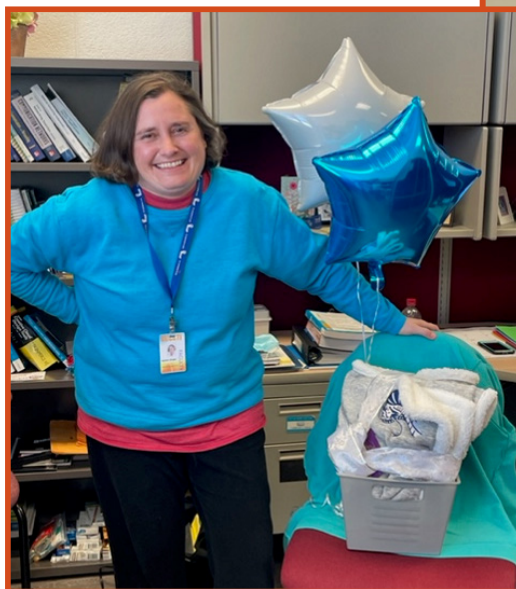
Our January Cobra Cares Award winners were nominated by students for their commitment to student success. Please join us in congratulating Ethan Garner (Psychology Instructor, Caldwell Campus) and Heather Wright (Information Technology Instructor, Watauga Campus).

### *Ethan Garner*

Still a newer CCC&TI instructor, Ethan has already established a good rapport with and reputation among students. "Mr. Garner tries to implement fun and creative ways to teach his students. He is very knowledgeable and approachable. He is very passionate about his material and always is a pleasure to talk to." The core value Ethan best portrays is teaching and learning.

### *Heather Wright*

A smiling, helpful colleague on the Watauga campus, Heather strives to support students in every way. An advisee wrote, "She helps me a lot with advising and helping me figure out what classes I need or want to take for the next semester." Both inside and outside the classroom, Heather's kindness makes a big impact. The core value Heather best portrays is communication.



**Same Classes. Less Time!**  
**Register today for our  
March Mini-Term.**

**Classes begin  
March 14.**

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A promotional graphic for the March Mini-Term. The background is a solid yellow color. At the top, the text "Same Classes. Less Time!" is written in large, bold, blue letters. Below that, "Register today for our March Mini-Term." is written in red. Further down, "Classes begin March 14." is written in blue. In the center, there is a photograph of four smiling students: two men and two women, dressed in casual attire like hoodies and jackets. At the bottom left, the CCC&TI logo is displayed, featuring the letters "ccc&ti" in blue and orange, with a sun icon above the "i". Below the logo, the text "Caldwell • Watauga • Online" is written in a smaller blue font.

**Attention: CCC&TI**

# 2022 *class* of



**Time to Order your graduation gear  
for this year's Graduation Ceremony!**

Your graduation fee covers your cap, gown and tassel.

For on-campus pick-up, order by **March 13, 2022.**

For home delivery, order by **April 14, 2022**



To place your order visit: [cccti.shopoakhalli.com](http://cccti.shopoakhalli.com) or scan the code.

Activities to help you destress, decompress,  
and focus on your health and well-being!



Revive & Thrive  
at CCC&TI

## Upcoming Events

Wednesday  
March 16

DRUM CIRCLE

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Caldwell Campus Breezeway

Wednesday  
April 20

Self-Defense Class

Details TBA

For details, see your  
student email or the  
[Student Life and  
Activities Moodle Page](#)

# GRAB-N-GO LEARNING



## Important stuff you need to know ... packed to go!

These **15-minute** sessions will be held in the **LRC Multipurpose Classroom** on **Wednesdays**. Students can **drop in** any time from **11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** for information on a variety of topics. Sessions will include valuable info, interactive activities, free food and prizes!

### Upcoming Sessions:

- 2/23 • Build a Better Lunchbox: Basics of Nutrition
- 3/2 • Personal Budgeting
- 3/16 • Scholarship Secrets
- 3/23 • Understanding and Boosting Your Credit
- 3/30 • Happy (Healthy) Meals: Eat Well on a Budget

# Time to plan your next move!



## College Transfer Fair

**Tuesday, Feb. 22**  
**10 a.m to 12 p.m.**  
**Caldwell Campus LRC**

Visit and talk with representatives from area 4-year institutions about your college transfer options. Reps from the following institutions will be on hand to meet and talk with you:

*UNC-Charlotte • Western Carolina University  
Lenoir-Rhyne University • Lees-McRae College  
Appalachian State University • and more!*

## TRANSFER

### Explore your possibilities!



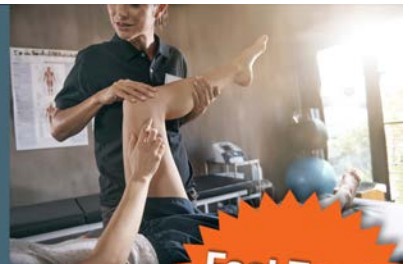
**Transfer Students: Sign up for Free Cobras Transfer Trips**

Spend a day traveling with your fellow Cobras and visit some of the 4-year institutions in our area. Get travel dates, institutions and sign-up at [www.ccti.edu/TransferTrips](http://www.ccti.edu/TransferTrips)

**SPACE IS LIMITED. SIGN UP NOW!**

**Now Enrolling at CCC&TI:**

**Evening/Weekend Massage Therapy Class**



Year-long program runs

**3/2/22 to 3/22/23.**

Classes meet on the Caldwell Campus Mon., Wed., Thurs: 6 to 10 p.m.

and each third Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**For more info or to register, call 828-726-2242 or visit [www.ccti.edu](http://www.ccti.edu)**

**Fast Track Career Training!**



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## Plan to succeed!



**Registration Planning Period  
for 2022 Summer and Fall Semesters:**

**March 14 to April 1**

Meet with your Advisor to plan your courses for spring and stay on track to graduate on time!

*Plus:* Fill out a survey after your appointment for a chance to win prizes including gas cards!

## Advising Spirit Week is March 14-18!



**Advisors: Show your school spirit!  
Wear your favorite CCC&TI gear or show off  
your own alma mater!**

**Students:  
Join your advisors in  
showing your Cobra Pride  
on campus and on social  
media! Hashtag your posts:  
#CCCTI #CobraPride**



## CCC&TI is Hiring!

CCC&TI has a number of full-time and part-time employment opportunities available now. For a complete list of openings and how to apply visit: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/cccti>