



Fall in full Swing



On the cover: Kick Off, Week of Welcome and Club Rush

It's been a very busy start this Fall for the CCC&TI community! The college hosted its annual Employee Kickoff event in early August. Several employees were recognized with service awards. (See pages 8-9 for more.) On the Caldwell Campus, Student Government Association hosted Week of Welcome and Club Rush week. The participants were SGA, Cosmetology, TRIO/SSS, Adult Learner, LRC/Seed Library, Heroes CAFÉ, Community Cobras, Hispanic Support, Blood Connection, Juco 4 Jesus, Ophthalmology Club, Phi Theta Kappa, Speech Language Pathology Club, and GSA. On the Watauga Campus, Student Life offered snacks and freebies and the Watauga Culinary Arts program offered lunch for students during the first weeks of the Fall Semester.

Life-Changing Partnerships: CCC&TI Helps Haywood Community College Address Recent Layoffs

When the announcement came in March 2023 that Pactiv-Evergreen was closing the paper mill in the Western North Carolina town of Canton, NC, all eyes in the state turned to the small community at the center of the closure's impact. Two months later, on May 24th, the mill closed its doors for good, resulting in nearly 1,000 local workers being laid off.

For those in Caldwell County who weathered the storm of furniture factory closings in the early 2000s, it was an all-too-familiar story, but one that prompted immediate action among leaders at Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute (CCC&TI) in Hudson.

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch's first reaction to news of the closure was to reach out to Haywood Community College (HCC) President, Dr. Shelley White, to offer support as well as opportunities for partnership to help HCC address the impending layoffs and the spike in unemployment that would inevitably follow the mill's closure.

That initial call between Drs. Poarch and White ultimately resulted in a partnership program between CCC&TI and HCC to offer CCC&TI's Truck Driver Training Program in Haywood County. CCC&TI provided instructors and equipment while HCC provided classrooms and training facilities. The program was fully underway with students enrolled in just a few weeks.

The first graduation for the collaborative Truck Driver Training program was held in August. Eight students, all of whom had been laid off from jobs at Pactiv-Evergreen, completed the program with several having already secured employment in their new field.

"Our mantra over the last couple of years at CCC&TI has been 'Partnerships Matter,'" said Poarch. "This partnership program with HCC is an excellent real-world example of why they matter and the impact they can have on individuals, families and entire communities. The work we're doing throughout the region and the state to offer higher education and workforce training opportunities is life-changing for the students we serve. We're glad that we can extend those opportunities through partnerships like this one with Haywood to people across the state when they need it the most."

Haywood Community College will continue its partnership with CCC&TI and continue to offer the Truck Driver Training program in the local area. The next course begins in February.

For more information on CCC&TI's Truck Driver Training Program or to register, visit www.cccti.edu.



CCC&TI Foundation Awards Harold F. Coffey Scholarship to Local Student

The Foundation of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute has awarded the 2023-2024 Harold F. Coffey Scholarship to South Caldwell High School graduate Hanna Teague.

The scholarship, which was established in 2020 by the Coffey Foundation, is merit-based and provides \$2,500 annually to a graduate of Caldwell County Schools or a graduate of a certified Caldwell County home school who does not qualify for a Pell grant. The graduate must also have a minimum GPA of 3.5 and have demonstrated civic or community involvement. The scholarship provides funds to cover the cost of tuition, books and supplies for a student who plans to enroll in either an Associate in Science or Associate in Applied Science program of study at CCC&TI.



Teague, who is from Granite Falls, is currently working toward an Associate in Science degree at CCC&TI and plans to transfer to a four-year institution to pursue licensure as a Registered Nurse and Physicians Assistant. Her ultimate goal is to work in the mental health field with adolescent and pediatric patients. In addition to being a full-time student, Teague is also working part time in the health care field as a Certified Nursing Assistant at a local rehabilitation center.

As a high school student, Teague excelled academically and was involved with a number of clubs and civic organizations including Beta Club, Gay/Straight Alliance and the Proficient Honors Ensemble Choir. She was also a member of several honor societies including the National Technical Honor Society and The National Society of High School Scholars.

Teague also took several CCC&TI college courses through the Career and College Promise program, even earning a Certified Nursing Assistant credential while still in high school. That certification is allowing her to gain valuable hands-on experience in the local healthcare field alongside her studies as a college student.

Teague says that this scholarship is an honor and a significant financial help to her and her family. “It has been such a great relief to not stress about payments for classes and making

sure everything is paid by the correct dates. It also makes me feel tremendously better about my parents not having to pay for my college right now, so we can put the money towards a four-year university,” she said. “All in all, it has been a great honor to receive the Harold F. Coffey scholarship for the 2023-2024 school year.”

Congratulations to Hanna Teague on earning the 2023 Harold F. Coffey Scholarship.

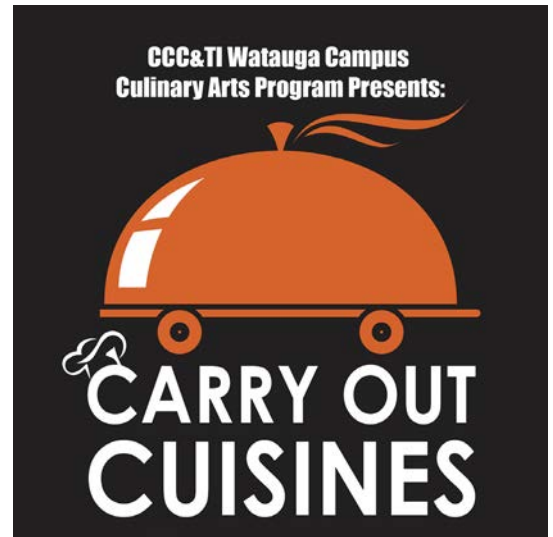
Upcoming Watauga Carry Out Cuisines and Chef's Table Dining Experiences

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's Watauga Campus Culinary Arts program is once again offering their popular "Carry Out Cuisine" events during the Fall 2023 semester to the general public and will also host "Chef's Table" Dining Experiences during each event. The menus will be a celebration of various global cuisines with each menu centered around global destinations with signature flavors and dishes from around the world.

Both the "Carry Out Cuisine" and the "Chef's Table" events give the public an opportunity to enjoy gourmet fare at a reasonable price, while also helping CCC&TI's Watauga Campus Culinary Arts students apply their classroom knowledge in a real-world setting.

Meals are \$20 per person and reservations are recommended. Pick up times are 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Watauga Campus Kitchen, Building W141, Room 102. For those without reservations, meals will be available while supplies last. Cash only payments will be collected when meals are picked up on the day of service.

A limited number of tickets to the "Chef's Table" Dining Experience will also be available during each Carry Out Cuisine event. "Chef's Table" Tickets are \$25 each. Diners at the Chef's Table watch as meals are being prepared by the students and enjoy tableside service in the Culinary Arts Kitchen. Reservations are required ahead of time for seating at the "Chef's Table."



Following are dates and themes for the remaining Fall Semester Carry Out Cuisine and Chef's Table Events:

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2023:

Celebrate Vietnam, Thailand and Indonesia

Menu: Tom Yam Kung (Hot and sour shrimp soup); Thit Kho Tau (Caramelized pork belly)
Nasi Uduk (Coconut rice); Sala Lobak (Cabbage with red pepper sauce); and Sans Rival (Cashew meringue torte)

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

Celebrate South America

Menu: Ensalada de Quinoa con Frijoles Negros y Choclo (Quinoa salad with black beans and corn); Pabellon Criollo (Beef in tomato sauce with black beans, rice and plantains); and Flan (Caramel custard)

For more information or to reserve your tickets for Carry Out Cuisine or Chef's Table events, contact Chef Robert Back at 828-297-3811 ext. 5222 or by email at rback@cccti.edu.

CCC&TI Presents Fall 2023 Performing Artist Series

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute's Associate in Fine Arts – Music Program will host the Performing Artist Concert Series this fall with several featured events that are free and open to all students and the general public.

The series will also help commemorate the 40th anniversary of CCC&TI's Fine Arts, Music Program. The Associate in Fine Arts Music (AFA Music) program at CCC&TI started in 1983 to serve Caldwell County and surrounding areas. The program was established in 1983 by Bill Jones, directed by Kay Crouch from 1985 to 2013, and has been directed by Justin Butler since 2013.

Highlights from the program's history include sponsoring the Unifour Jazz Ensemble (UJE) which was named the 1987 Community College Jazz Ensemble National Champion. In 1990, UJE was named "Community Jazz Ensemble of the 1980s" by the International Association for Jazz Education and in 2013 its director Tom Smith was inducted into the Down Beat Jazz Education Hall of Fame.

In 2016 music program director Justin Butler expanded the AFA Music degree program to the Watauga campus, which also included the installation of a state-of-the-art digital piano lab.

Following is a schedule of upcoming Performing Artist Series events and additional details:

On Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 1 p.m. in the CCC&TI Recital Hall (B-100), the Caldwell Campus in Hudson will host Swingbillies of Boonetown as they present "From Turkey to Boone - Connecting Southern Appalachia and the Middle East."

The Swingbillies are a newly founded eclectic acoustic band based out of Boone, NC. They play improvised music through a repertoire of traditional and classical styles from around the world. The group is centered around award-winning, conservatory trained musicians, Meade Richter and Savash Altuntas on fiddle and guitar. The group regularly features guests on bass and percussion.

Guitarist, Savash Altuntas, grew up singing and playing Flamenco style guitar in his homeland of Turkey and moved to the US to study French horn at Oberlin School of Music at the age of 18. Fiddle player Meade Richter started playing Old-Time fiddle as a child and quickly made a name for himself in NC as a contest fiddle player. He became one of the first people to earn a 4-year-degree in Bluegrass Music Studies and went on to earn a Master's degree in Jazz Violin at the prestigious Norwegian Academy of Music. The two recently teamed up in an effort to guide listeners and audiences through a musical trip around the world focused on traditional styles and classic composers, with a unique emphasis on improvisation and personal expression.



On Tuesday, Oct. 31 at 1 p.m. in the CCC&TI Recital Hall (B-100), the Caldwell Campus in Hudson will host Kay Crouch, Patrick Crouch, William Ritter and Michael Reno Harrell as they present “Murder and Mayhem: Tales of Destiny and Demise – An Afternoon of Appalachian Ballads.”



The month of October is the perfect time for songs about murder and mayhem. These beloved local musicians say that these are some of their favorite songs to sing. “They tell horrible stories with a straight face and sometimes even a happy melody. When we hear these songs, we are reminded that truth is stranger than fiction.” The songs come from a variety of sources: some were brought over with the early settlers, some are historical accounts of tragedy in America, while others are original compositions based on local outlaws and legends. “We love performing this concert for a live audience just to see the reactions folks have when they hear bizarre material that is based on a true story. We all have our worst nightmares and these “Tales of Destiny and Demise” remind us that the world is not always as safe as it seems.

On Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 1 p.m. in the CCC&TI Recital Hall (B-100), the Caldwell Campus in Hudson will host Derek Gripper as he presents “African Kora Music Meets Solo Guitar.”

Derek Gripper is a classical guitarist who has taken a unique path. As a South African classical musician, he found himself limited by the music of the traditional classical guitar. So, he went on a journey through different musical styles, returning always to the guitar to find ways of bringing what he learned onto the instrument. In 2012 he completed a ten-year project to understand and translate the music of the West African kora (21 string harp) virtuoso Toumani Diabate to solo guitar, resulting in two critically acclaimed albums and an international concert tour.



On Wednesday, Dec. 6 at 1 p.m. in the CCC&TI Recital Hall (B-100), the Caldwell Campus in Hudson will host The CCC&TI Chorus as they present “A Winter Festival of Vocal Music.”

The CCC&TI Chorus ensemble features students in the CCC&TI Associate of Fine Arts Music degree program as well as staff, faculty, and community members. The CCC&TI Chorus is directed by Professor Alexandria McNeely. Professor McNeely earned her master’s degree in vocal performance from the renowned Eastman School of Music, and she most recently performed for the Hawaii Performing Arts Festival as Diana in Orpheus and in Tosca with Opera Carolina. This performance will feature songs for the winter season.

For more information, visit www.cccti.edu.

Congratulations Cobras! Cobra Volleyball Achieves Program's First-Ever National Ranking

Caldwell Community College & Technical Institutes' volleyball team achieved the program's first-ever national ranking when the National Junior College Athletic Association released their rankings for the week of September 11, 2023. Caldwell was ranked 13th in the NJCAA Division III poll. Caldwell restarted their volleyball program in the fall of 2022, fielding their first team since 2008.



Success Coaches Giveaways!

CCC&TI's Success Coaches kicked off the Fall 2023 semester with a giveaway that had six students walking away with \$50 Visa Gift Cards. Students who came to see their Success Coach in person during the first two weeks of classes, were entered into a drawing to win one of these awesome prizes.

Pictured at right from top left are: Success Coach Carlos Dixon with Terrence Johnson; Success Coach Scott Triplett and McKenzie Ponthieux; Success Coach Lauri Stilwell and Kyle Phipps; Success Coach Jamiison McIver and Julia Davis; Success Coach Elaine Maxwell and Saiquone Harris; and Success Coach Richie Covington and Braden Sudikoff.

Congratulations to these winners!



Be on the lookout for more giveaways at upcoming Resilience Academy Events, sponsored by CCC&TI Success Coaches, on the last Wednesday of every month on the Caldwell campus and the second to last Wednesday of every month on the Watauga Campus.

CCC&TI Honors Employees for Service

Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute recently announced several awards honoring employees' years of service and outstanding professional performance. Details are in the captions below:

Five Years of Service

The following CCC&TI employees were presented 5-year service pins: (Front row, left to right) Caleb Craig, Nikki Rhodes, Paige West-Smith, and Tamara Watkins. (Back row, left to right) Philip Deitz, Lucas McGuire, Gary Hudson and Jeff Miller. Not pictured: Harold Dean Curtis, Anthony Day, Jonathon Horton and Roberta Rice.



10 Years of Service

The following CCC&TI employees were presented 10-year service pins: (Front row, left to right) Alison Beard, Christy Poarch, Tonja Horn and Lynn Holder. (Back row, left to right) Justin Butler, Angela Ruppard, Pam Owens, Kelly Kowalski and Keith Andreasen.

15 Years of Service

The following CCC&TI employees were presented 15-year service pins: (left to right) Laura Aultman and Margo Rice. (Back row, left to right) Robert Hamby and Roy Jennings. Not pictured: Gary Wilson.



20 Years of Service

The following CCC&TI employees were presented 20-year service pins: (Front row, left to right) Deanna Chester, Tracy Crump, Stacy Reagan and Mandy White. (Back row, left to right) Keith Starnes, Mitzi Triplett, Cynthia Richards and Christina Bryant. Not pictured: Debbie Clement.

25 Years of Service

The following CCC&TI employees were presented 25-year service pins: Jeff Bentley and Nancy Risch. Not pictured: Andrew Mahala.

30 Years of Service

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch presented the 30 Years of Service award to Becky Boone. (Far right)



Colleague of the Year Awards

Members of the college's faculty and staff are nominated by their colleagues based on quality of work, job performance and collegiality with all personnel, including students, community involvement, professionalism, and other attributes. Pictured are this year's award winners, from left: Rose Austin, Beth Holland and Maggie Murray. Not pictured: Michael Frye.



Lydia Beam Memorial Award

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch recently presented the Lydia Beam Memorial Award to Facility Services Administrative Assistant Kassandra Martinez. This award was established in 1988 by Dr. H. E. Beam and his family in memory of Lydia Beam. The purpose of the award is to reward a full-time Clerical/Technical/Paraprofessional Assistant with a cash award in recognition of outstanding service to the institution through quality job performance, professionalism, cooperation with other employees, and dedication to the success of the institution.



E.M. Dudley Employee Achievement Award

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch recently presented the E.M. Dudley Employee Achievement Award to Student Life and Engagement Director Maggie Murray. The award is presented to an employee who has excelled in service to the college, its students and the community.

President's Legacy Leadership Award

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch recently presented the newly established President's Legacy Leadership Award which honors members of CCC&TI's Executive Council who have more than 20 years of service with CCC&TI and demonstrate exceptional commitment, dedication and leadership to the college. The award recognizes those employees who have made significant contributions to CCC&TI and the community and have gone above and beyond in demonstrating "The Caldwell Way" in their service to students and colleagues. This year, the awards were presented to Executive Assistant to the President, Donna Church (center) and Vice President of Finance and Administration, David Holman (right).



Donald W. Lackey Excellence in Teaching Award

CCC&TI President Dr. Mark Poarch recently presented the 2023 Donald W. Lackey Excellence in Teaching Award to Associate in Fine Arts - Visual Arts Program Director and Instructor, Thomas Thielemann. The annual award honors a faculty member who characterizes personal dedication, concern for student welfare and academic excellence.

Mini Grants: Major Impact CCC&TI Mini Grant Project Funds 12 Unique Faculty/Staff Initiatives

CCC&TI's Foundation continued its popular and innovative Mini-Grant Project during the 2022-2023 academic year. The project allocated \$22,000 from academic support dollars raised by the Foundation to fund innovative ideas pitched by faculty and staff.

Now in its fifth year, the mini-grant project has encouraged innovation and creativity among college employees who are tasked to come up with ideas that directly impact student learning and that correlate with the institution's strategic plan and overall mission.

The following 12 projects were selected to receive funding:

"The Cobra Power & Passion for Play"

Submitted by Ethan Garner, Mandy White, Linda Albritton, Debbie Mitchell and Melissa McCarraher.

"The Cobra Power & Passion for Play" is a campus-wide initiative to promote pride and spirit among students and employees and to foster positive relationships and overall wellbeing through the power of play. Through varied events and types of play, Early Childhood, Teacher Preparation, Biology, Psychology and Phi Theta Kappa students will explore the benefits and impacts of play in both physical and mental capacities.



"Physical Therapist Assistant Telepresence Robot" • Submitted by Heather Bowman

The Telepresence Robot is an innovative solution to a gap created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the PTA program will utilize a telepresence robot to provide students the ability to participate in class and clinicals via teleconferencing. The robot will allow students the freedom to move within the classroom, lab or clinical setting, and reduces the need for alternative learning methods. Additionally, the robot will be used to job shadow clinicians to allow students to gain better understanding of what each practice setting entails, decreasing the learning curve once they attend clinicals.

"COPS (Cameras Over Public Safety)" • Submitted by Norman Staines

The integration of drones into public safety training will allow instructors to enhance student learning during practical exercises, such as firearms training, driving, ventilation and search techniques, among others. Drones will allow the instructors to have additional views of the students during these exercises, and will allow students the capability to review videos following the completion of the exercises. These videos will aid students in seeing progress and areas in which to improve.

"CCC&TI Resilience Academy"

Submitted by Richie Covington and Shannon Brown

The Resilience Academy project seeks to increase student retention through the building of a resilience skillset and increasing student involvement on campus. The program will consist of eleven presentations on both the Caldwell and Watauga campuses, which aim to build students' ability to navigate and persevere through hardships and unforeseen circumstances through their time at CCC&TI and beyond.



“Women Empowering Women”

Submitted by Becky Boone and Tuesday Sigmon

By creating a support group for women through CCC&TI’s TRIO program and Counseling & Disability services division, this project works to increase student resilience, self-esteem, and to create an inclusive network in which women can be themselves while learning leadership, commitment and connection. The project includes bi-monthly meetings, or twelve total sessions, to work through the “10 Days to Self-Esteem” workbook.

“Kayaking Cobras” • Submitted by April Nelson

An effort to remove financial barriers so that students of all economic backgrounds can participate in a physical education course on Lake Rhodhiss, which in turn has the potential to influence each student’s quality of life, reduce stress, improve physical health and heighten awareness and stewardship of natural resources. The purchase of kayaks will reduce the need for rentals, which then allows for students to participate in the course without additional fees.



“Support and Wellness” • Submitted by Tuesday Sigmon

Mental health challenges have increased over the past few years, but the outward visibility of Counseling and Disability Services has been limited. Through this grant, the Counseling and Disability Services department seeks to reduce mental health stigma and to increase knowledge of support and wellness, as well as the resources available to students campus wide, through the use of activities, workshops and wellness events.

“Establishment of Business Credentialing Program for Increased Workforce-Readiness”

Submitted by Martin Hubner

To better prepare business program students for entry into the workforce, the goal of this program is to pilot a credentialing program in which current students will be prepared to sit for the Meta Certified Digital Marketing Associate certification. The hope is that this credential will give students a more competitive edge when entering the workforce and better chance of success, as they will attain skills that will allow them to stand out against others.

“A Whole New World” • Submitted by Megan Norwood and Amanda McLean

By bringing the outside world into the classroom via virtual reality technology, students in Transitional Studies classes will experience career exploration and simulations, build background knowledge of historical events and geographical exploration, and learn to follow instructions through numerous virtual reality experiences. Utilizing virtual reality removes economic and physical limitations for travel, allowing students to gain access to places and cultures they may not experience otherwise.

“What time is it? Donut Time” • Submitted by Asia Hunt

Using a donut theme that correlates to each workshop, this project consists of five workshops designed to educate students on life after college, as well as career knowledge. Topics would include resume building and writing, etiquette for job interviews, basic budgeting and financial literacy, MBTI personality assessments, and various career opportunities that are available for students.



“Cobra Self-Care and Wellness Event” • Submitted by Amy Swink

Massage therapy students will learn and utilize important marketing skills while reinforcing their units on self-care and trigger point massage by hosting a self-care and wellness event for CCC&TI students. This event will be mutually beneficial for massage therapy students, as they will be able to ‘do and teach’ what they have learned, while students participating in the event will learn methods to reduce stress, such as self-massage techniques and stretches.



“Women’s Shelter Christmas Dinner and Holiday Hams for Casting Bread”

Submitted by Keith Andreasen

On Christmas Day, current culinary students will engage in community service by preparing, cooking and delivering a hot meal to the Caldwell Women’s Shelter. Hams will be purchased to be distributed during the Holiday season at Casting Bread Food Bank in Watauga county.



Apply Now!

Golden Leaf Scholarship

CCC&TI Financial Aid Office is now accepting applications for the Golden Leaf Scholarship. Grants available for both curriculum and occupational program students. Awards can be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies, child care and any other expenses related to attending classes, and related credential testing.



For more information or to apply, visit www.cccti.edu or contact Financial Aid.
Application Deadline: Oct. 13

CCC&TI Cosmetology Program: Get Pampered for Less

By CCC&TI Student Kyle Phipps

Life on Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute campus can be challenging for students, faculty, and staff. There's always more work to be done and another meeting to attend. Wouldn't it be nice to step away for a bit? The Caldwell Campus Cosmetology program is ready to pamper the CCC&TI community.

"We do it all: hair, skin, and nails," said Cosmetology Director Lisa Rector. "We can do facials, pedicures, manicures, acrylic nails, gel nails. We can do all kinds of hair services from a perm to color to balayage, cutting. There's nothing we can't do."

The Cosmetology Clinic offers many services at prices that cannot be beat. Is it time for a shampoo, cut, and style? It's only \$10 at the clinic. Nails looking a little worse for the wear? A manicure with a massage is only \$5. Ready to go for it and get a permed mullet? It's only \$25. Color services start at just \$20.

"We use all professional products, not products that you're going to find at Walmart. We go to our supply companies," Rector said.

All the services are provided by students who have completed their first semester in the Cosmetology program and are supervised by instructors in the program. "After first semester, all students can work on the floor," said Rector.

To receive services from the CCC&TI program, arrive in the clinic in the K building between 9:30 and 10 a.m. on Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays and prepare to be pampered.

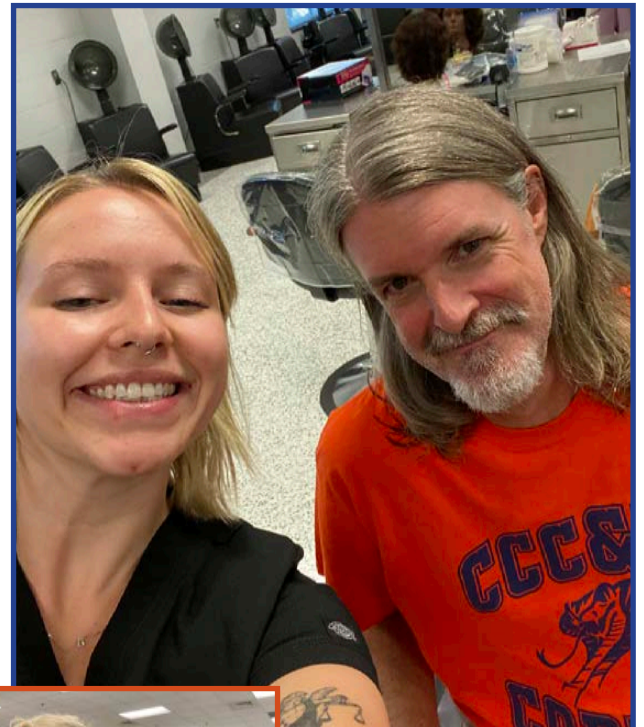
Students rotate through the services and work in all facets of the clinic. But if a client develops a relationship with a particular stylist, they can make an appointment to work with them.

"They are trained to do everything," Rector said. "When you're a cosmetologist, you're licensed to do hair, skin, and nails. You're really carrying three licenses under that one cosmetology license."

About the CCC&TI Cosmetology Program

The Cosmetology curriculum is designed to provide competency-based knowledge, scientific and artistic principles, and hands-on fundamentals associated with the cosmetology industry. The curriculum provides a simulated salon environment which enables students to develop manipulative skills.

Coursework includes instruction in all phases of: hair design, chemical processes, skin care, nail care, professional imaging, multi-cultural practices, business/computer principles, product knowledge, and selected topics. Graduates are qualified to sit for the State Board of Cosmetic Arts examination. Upon successfully passing the State Board exam, graduates will be issued a license. CCC&TI offers a Cosmetology diploma, a Cosmetology certificate, and a Cosmetology instructor certificate. The program also has a high school program for 11th and 12th graders in Caldwell County. For more information about the program. visit www.cccti.edu.



Upcoming Events and Activities

September

- 19 • Student Resource Fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Caldwell Campus Breezeway
• Let's Talk Tuesday, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 19 • Fall 2023 Performing Artist Series: Swingbillies of Boonetown, 1 p.m., B-100 Auditorium
• Cobra Volleyball vs. Patrick & Henry, 6 p.m. Caldwell Campus Gym
- 20 Resilience Academy (Watauga Campus), 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., W-460
- 21 • Caldwell Cuisine: China, 5 p.m., J.E. Broyhill Civic Center
• Music on the Mountain Student Event, Watauga Campus. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- 25 Money Monday: Potential Employers, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 26 Let's Talk Tuesday, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 27 Resilience Academy (Caldwell Campus), 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., E-120

October

- 2 Money Monday: Financial Aid, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 3 • Let's Talk Tuesday, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
• Shelter Home resource (Caldwell Campus), Drop in 11 a.m. to 1p.m., LRC
- 3 Cobra Volleyball vs. Davidson Community College, 6 p.m. Caldwell Campus Gym
- 4 Not Your Typical Book Club, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 9-11 Fall break for curriculum students
- 12 Cobra Volleyball vs. Central Carolina, 6:30 p.m., Caldwell Campus Gym
- 13 • Cobra Classic Golf Tournament, 8:30 a.m. or 1 p.m., Cedar Rock Country Club
• 1st 8-week classes end
• Check disbursements for classes starting 9/13/23
- 16 • 2nd 8-week classes begin
• Cobra Pride Day
- 16-19 Thank An Employee week
- 16 Money Monday: CCC&TI Foundation, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 17 • Let's Talk Tuesday, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
• Branches reception (Watauga Campus), 6 p.m., W-460
- 18 Resilience Academy (Watauga Campus), 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., W-460
- 21 Showcase of Stars: Jon Reep, 7:30 p.m., J.E. Broyhill Civic Center
- 23 Money Monday: Potential Employers, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 24 Let's Talk Tuesday, Drop in 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 24 Branches reception (Caldwell Campus), 6 p.m., LRC Multipurpose Rm.
- 25 Health Careers Job Fair, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Caldwell Campus Gym

Events are subject to change.

For the latest information and a full calendar of events and activities, including both home and away athletic events, visit www.cccti.edu

August Cobra Cares Award Recipients

Our August Cobra Cares Award winners were nominated for their commitment to CCC&TI. Their daily efforts make a big impact, and they are willing to jump in wherever needed. Congratulations to **Alison Beard** (Librarian, Watauga Campus) and **Chris Williams** (Assistant Director, Facility Services, Caldwell Campus).

Alison (right, center) is a bright light everywhere she goes, a unique combination of intelligence and kindness. "Alison deserves special recognition for her positive impact at the college. Alison has created a fun and welcoming library environment for students, faculty, and staff. She has organized special activities such as an egg hunt, M&Ms guessing contest, and welcome back luau. What's more, she is a particularly helpful and supportive team member, reliably covering the building's front desk when needed. She also generously volunteered as backup for the Testing Center. Her friendly, dependable nature contributes to an atmosphere of collegiality in Watauga." The core value Alison best portrays is community.

Chris cares about doing a good job and getting the job done right. His positive attitude is seen daily. "This guy is awesome. When a storm knocked out several AC units in several buildings one evening maintenance was unaware until the next morning. The main boss was out on vacation. Chris came in and took several calls and handled everything in the most professional way. Several motors had burned up, but Chris managed his team so efficiently. Everything was back up and running within two hours." The core value Chris best portrays is integrity. We are truly grateful for the amazing maintenance team who do most of their work behind the scenes.

Congratulations to Alison and Chris!




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CCC&TI Fall 2023

Health Careers Job Fair

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Caldwell Campus Gym



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PUNCTUATION DAY!

Monday, September 25
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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