

## Top of the Class: Automotive Technology Program Reaccredited by NATEF through 2022

The Jefferson College Automotive Technology program recently received full reaccreditation by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) through 2022.



The program underwent a rigorous evaluation using nationally accepted standards of excellence in instruction, facilities, and equipment. NATEF accreditation provides external verification of the quality of the Jefferson College Automotive Technology program.

“Achieving national accreditation status is a testament to our never-ending obligation to provide students with the very best technical training and instruction,” said Jefferson College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey. “We want to be the leading choice for anyone in our region who has the desire to train for a successful career as an automotive technician.”

Led by instructors Gerard Uhls and Bradley Berrey, the Automotive Technology program is a popular training option, allowing students to pursue an Associate of Applied Science degree or a Career and Technical certificate. Graduates are employed at some of the most respected and well-known repair facilities throughout the region.

According to the NATEF accrediting team, the program’s strengths include instructors who are very good at their jobs, up-to-date shop equipment and well-equipped classrooms, a clean work area, attention to safety at all times, and student contact following graduation.

In connection to the NATEF reaccreditation, the College recently began a renovation project to improve student learning in the Automotive Technology program by better utilizing shop space and by emulating a modern shop environment. The improvements include doubling the amount of lifted working spaces for increased hands-on learning, installing energy-efficient high-powered LED lighting, increasing storage capacity, updating workbenches and cabinetry, refinishing floors, and painting walls.

“Jefferson College has a long history of high quality instruction and NATEF certification keeps this program on a national level,” said Uhls. “We are very thankful for all the support we received from College personnel and the automotive professionals that made this happen. Students will be assured of continued quality education and shop owners will be assured of getting quality job applicants.”

The NATEF accreditation process began with an extensive self-evaluation performed by instructors, college administrators, and advisory committee members who compared the program to national standards and had the opportunity to make improvements before submitting evaluation documents for review.

# College President Donates Vehicle in Support of Automotive Technology

To give students in the Automotive Technology program the opportunity to learn on various makes and models of vehicles, College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey recently donated his family's Chrysler Pacifica to the College.



Cummiskey (center) gives the keys to students Zachary DeRousse and Sabrina Borrini. Also pictured, from left, is Automotive Technology Instructor Bradley Berrey, Automotive Technology Professor Gerard Uhls, and Jefferson College Foundation Executive Director Patti Christen.

Cummiskey's vehicle will be used to support student mastery of skills within the program in connection with the NATEF reaccreditation (see previous article) for meeting strict industry standards in the areas of brakes, electrical/electronic systems, engine performance, engine repair, and suspension/steering.

"My family and I are pleased to be able to support the training our Automotive Technology program students receive as part of this nationally accredited program," said Cummiskey. "Our Automotive Technology students need the opportunity to train on domestic and foreign vehicles as well as cars and trucks in order to have a diverse knowledge base."

Additional vehicle donations (2005 or newer in running condition without major body damage) are welcome in an effort to provide a variety of makes and models for students to gain hands on experience. For more information about donating a vehicle to the College, contact Automotive Technology Professor Gerard Uhls at (636) 481-3431.

# Vikings Baseball Alum Mark Buehrle's Number 56 Retired by White Sox

In recognition of his phenomenal professional baseball career, the Chicago White Sox recently retired the number of former Jefferson College Viking pitcher Mark Buehrle during a special ceremony at Guaranteed Rate Field.

Though Mark was the star of the day, his family got to participate as well, as his daughter threw out the first pitch and his son sang the National Anthem before the Sox game against the Oakland A's.

Buehrle was drafted out of Jefferson College in the 38th round of the

1998 draft. He pitched 12 seasons for the White Sox and was the 12th player to have his number retired by the team and the first in major-league history to have No. 56 retired. His amazing career included a 161-119 record with a 3.83 ERA for the Sox from 2000-11, four American League All-Star teams, three Gold Gloves, both a no-hitter and a perfect game, nine Opening Day starts in a 10-year period, and a World Series Championship in 2005.

During his time at Jefferson College, Mark competed against Albert Pujols, who at the time played for Maple Woods Community College.

Buehrle is one of over 65 Jefferson College alumni who have gone on to play professional baseball. The tradition of Vikings in the Major League Baseball draft continued this year with four former players being selected, marking the ninth consecutive year a current player has been drafted.

In connection with the special occasion, a contingent from Jefferson College, including former players, current and former coaches, and representatives of the Jefferson College Foundation, were on hand to celebrate the special day with Mark and his family.



# Law Enforcement Academy Graduates Sustain Regional Workforce

A class of 14 students (022 Day Class) recently graduated from the Jefferson College Law Enforcement Academy, helping to sustain the region's workforce and serving the ongoing need for qualified officers in Missouri.



The 022 class also achieved a 100 percent completion pass rate on the POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training) license exam, continuing the lengthy streak of graduating classes with a 100 percent pass rate for the POST Class A license.

The JCLEA offers three options for students seeking a Missouri Department of Public Safety POST Class A License and is the only academy in the state that incorporates the curriculum for an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice in two of its three programs as a way to distinguish graduates when they enter the job market. The third program, a POST curriculum only option, offers a Certificate in Criminal Justice and is limited to applicants who already have a two or four-year degree.

In addition to the basic training for students entering the field, the Academy goal includes providing high quality training to law enforcement personnel, to inspire professionalism in all peace officers, and to provide civilian personnel with education and training prior to employment or association with a law enforcement agency.

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## Meet Me at the (Jefferson County) Fair July 20-23

Ladies and gentlemen step right up...if you're going to this year's **Jefferson County Fair July 20-23** be sure to stop by the Jefferson College booth and say hello as a group of volunteer students, employees, retirees, and even Victor the Viking, highlight some of the many ways the College supports our community.

The College's tent will feature examples of our community involvement, a slideshow, I am a Viking photo booth, and giveaways for all. Victor and the Vic Squad will be there on Sunday (Kids Day) to take photos and mingle with the little ones. It's a little fun for everyone!

### JEFFERSON COLLEGE BOOTH OPEN

Thursday, July 20	5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Friday, July 21	5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday, July 22	2 p.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday, July 23	2 p.m.-5 p.m. (Kids Day)



In addition, the Law Enforcement Academy recruits and Campus Police will provide security for the parking lots, and the Child Development Center staff will staff the Tyke Land.

Hope to see you (and your family and friends) at the Jefferson County Fair.  
Visit [www.jeffersoncountyfair.net](http://www.jeffersoncountyfair.net) for complete details.

# Athletics Department Under Armour/BSN Sports Apparel Agreement

Jefferson College has agreed to an exclusive athletic apparel agreement with BSN Sports of Fenton and nationally renowned brand Under Armour to outfit Viking student-athletes for the next five years.

Under the agreement, Jefferson College will purchase Under Armour shoes, uniforms and other athletic apparel exclusively from BSN Sports while receiving a signing bonus along with discounts and rebates based on the annual volume of sales generated.

“Our goal is to not only build great teams at Jefferson College, but also to create a unified Vikings Athletics department that prides itself on representing our institution with class and distinction,” said Director of Athletics Greg McVey. “Having consistency across all sports and ensuring all our student-athletes have a great experience is crucial to this goal. Through this new partnership, our student-athletes will be equipped with high quality apparel from a nationally respected vendor like Under Armour, creating a consistent look and feel that is professional and in keeping with the College’s longstanding tradition of athletic excellence.”

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JEFFERSON COLLEGE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Under Armour, which was founded in 1996, is the originator of performance apparel engineered to keep athletes cool, dry and light throughout the course of a game, practice or work-out. Under Armour aligns directly with Jefferson College and its student-athletes in its passion about sports and seeking excellence in all aspects.

BSN Sports, founded in 1972, has established itself as the largest distributor of team sports apparel and equipment in the United States. “BSN SPORTS is excited to partner with Jefferson College and Under Armour,” said Kenny Goellner of BSN Sports. “We couldn’t find two better partners than with one of the elite NJCAA athletic departments in the country and one of the largest name brands in the sports world. We look forward to an outstanding working relationship.”



# AMERICAN SOLAR ECLIPSE

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## UNFORGETTABLE SOLAR ECLIPSE EXPERIENCE

Jefferson College's sensational Performing Arts and Cultural Enrichment (PACE) Series for 2017-18 will kick off with a rare solar eclipse and viewing event on **Monday, August 21, 2017**.

A phenomenal natural wonder will take place – a total eclipse of the sun, which turns daytime into night while the sun's corona still blazes in the sky. It's likely to be the most-viewed ever, so the time to start planning where you will be on that day is now.

**Don't miss an incredible sight you'll remember your whole life...at Jefferson College!**

## SOLAR ECLIPSE EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!

**\$5 PARKING FEE PER VEHICLE** Hillsboro Campus, 1000 Viking Drive (first-come/first available space)

**ONLINE/ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTION PROVIDED FOR ALL CLASSES SCHEDULED BEFORE 3PM** (All Locations)

**Campus Opens at 8 AM – Events Begin at 9 AM**

**Bring Lawn Chairs & Blanket, Coolers Allowed** (no alcohol, subject to random checks)

- ☀ Educational Demonstrations
- ☀ Kids Zone – Games, Petting Zoo & More!
- ☀ Guest Speakers • Topical Presentations
- ☀ Arts/Entertainment
- ☀ Telescope Viewing Stations
- ☀ Pinhole Camera Making
- ☀ Citizen Science
- ☀ Balloon Launch
- ☀ Cosmic Ray Detecting
- ☀ Live Streaming Video from NASA
- ☀ Eclipse and Solar System Scale Models
- ☀ Indoor Swimming Pool (fee charged)
- ☀ Cooling Stations
- ☀ Viewing Glasses, T-Shirts & Souvenirs for Sale
- ☀ Concessions • Drinks • Refreshments

*A total solar eclipse will not happen again until 2505!*



**MORE ECLIPSE INFO & NEW EVENT DETAILS AT: [www.jeffco.edu/ECLIPSE](http://www.jeffco.edu/ECLIPSE)**

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Life in a Jar: The Irena Sendler Project By Jack Mayer, M.D.



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During World War II, Irena Sendler, a Polish Catholic social worker, organized a rescue network to save 2,500 Jewish children from certain death in the Warsaw ghetto. This story remained unknown for 60 years, until three high school girls from a rural school district in southeast Kansas stumbled upon a reference to Irena's rescues which they fashioned into a history project: a play they called "Life in a Jar." They shared the story in their hometown, throughout the United States, in Montreal, and finally Poland! Inspired by Irena's story, these students championed her legacy of tolerance and respect for all people.

"Life in a Jar: The Irena Sendler Project" is a Holocaust history and more. Inspired by Irena Sendler, the students portrayed are living examples of the power of one person to change the world & models for young people everywhere.

COPIES OF THIS BOOK ARE AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT AT JEFFERSON COLLEGE OR YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY. SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS.

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Culminating Events on Sunday & Monday, September 17 & 18

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## June Report

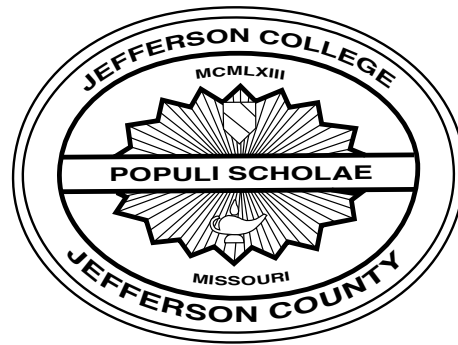
All monthly agenda items and supporting materials are posted [online](#) via the [BoardDocs](#) site accessible through the Jefferson College website homepage at [jeffco.edu](#) clicking on “Welcome” > “About Jefferson College” > “Board of Trustees” links.

### Agenda items approved:

- ✓ Approval of Consent Agenda Items (Minutes, Financial Statements, Faculty Load)
- ✓ Nursing Simulation Lab Expansion
- ✓ Athletic Apparel Merchandise Agreement
- ✓ Parking Lot Repair, Sealant, and Re-Striping
- ✓ Blackboard Agreement Renewal
- ✓ Appointment - Early Childhood Education ATS Faculty - Dr. Leigh Ann Cornman
- ✓ Appointment - Mathematics Faculty - Lindsay Steighorst
- ✓ Appointment - Biology Faculty - Dr. Stephanie Knebel
- ✓ Reappointment - Head Coaches - Robert Bartolone and Leonardo Ochoa
- ✓ Jefferson College & Jefferson R-VII School District Proposed Early College Partnership
- ✓ Requests for Naming Opportunities
- ✓ Viking Woods Bathtub Remodel

### 2017 Board Meeting Dates/Times

July 13 – 5:30 p.m.  
August 10 – 5:30 p.m.  
September 14 – 5:30 p.m.  
October 12 – 6:30 p.m.  
November 19 – 5:30 p.m.  
December 14 – 5:30 p.m.





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## 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Viking Classic Golf Tournament

SEPTEMBER 18, 2017  
FOX RUN GOLF CLUB  
EUREKA, MO

*More details to follow!*

If you're interested in being a sponsor  
or have any questions, please call  
(636) 481-3104 or 797-3000, ext. 3104



*We look forward to having you join us  
for a day of golf at Fox Run Golf Club!*

# Moran and Higgins, Sr. Thanked for Service on Foundation Board

In recognition of her volunteer service to the Foundation for the past 14 years, Jacquelyn Moran (left) was presented a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Directors by President Rick Francis in honor of her recent retirement from the organization.

She and her husband, Rich, were very involved with helping organize the scholarship golf tournament (and participate as avid golfers) along with their support to start and grow what has evolved into the annual Jazz & Jeans dinner and auction.

Commerce Bank Senior Vice President Patrick Higgins, Sr., who was unable to attend the last meeting, is also retiring from the Foundation Board, having been an active member since 2003. He has been incredibly supportive of the Foundation and its many student-centered fundraising efforts through his exemplary leadership, personal involvement, and corporate sponsorship. Patrick was also instrumental through the years as a member of the golf tournament organizing committee.



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## Foundation Welcomes New Board Member Brandon Moonier



Due to the vacancy created by the passing of longtime Board Member Wes Griffith, the Foundation Board of Directors recently welcomed Brandon Moonier of Crystal City to fill the remainder of the term, which expires in August of 2018.

He joins 19 other business and community leaders who volunteer their time and talents to support the Foundation and College.

Brandon is a partner at the Thurman Law Firm in Hillsboro, where he specializes in real estate and contract litigation/transactions, developing estate plans, and representing municipal entities. He graduated from Crystal City High School and attended Jefferson College through the A+ Program, where he received an Associate of Arts degree in 2002. In 2004, he graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science. He received a Juris Doctorate degree, graduating with honors, from St. Louis University School of Law in 2007.

He was selected as Jefferson College's 2016 Alumnus of the Year.


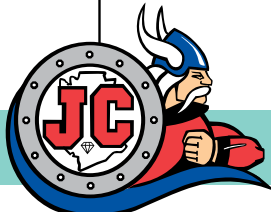
Brandon has served as the president of the Festus/Crystal City Rotary Club and has organized food drives for Brenden's Backpacks and Helping Hands of Crystal City and other fundraisers for local charities. Moonier is also a member of Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) which advocates for children in the foster care system.

The Foundation Board of Directors is dedicated to raising money through direct investments of cash and/or pledges and in-kind gifts from local businesses, industries and individuals. Board members serve as ambassadors to the community, working to encourage business, community leaders and alumni to support programs and services leading to an outstanding education for the citizens of Jefferson County.

The Foundation sees itself as a valuable complement to the Jefferson College Board of Trustees, shaping Jefferson College's future and ensuring its success.



# July 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3	4 	5	6	7	8
9 	10	11	12	13 Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30 PM ADM- Board Room	14	15
Viking Band Camp July 9 - 13 • Fine Arts Building						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
STEM CAMP Monday - Thursday July 17 - 20, 9 AM Arts & Sciences I, Room 231 <small>SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS</small>						
23	24	25	26	27 Back-to-School Fair 8:30 AM Field House - Gym	28	29
30	31					



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