### Jefferson College to Award \$1.3 Million in Student Emergency Grants Via Federal CRRSAA Funding Bill

Jefferson College will distribute over \$1.3 million (\$1,305,078) in federal emergency financial aid grants in connection with stimulus funds through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) for students impacted by the ongoing COVID pandemic.

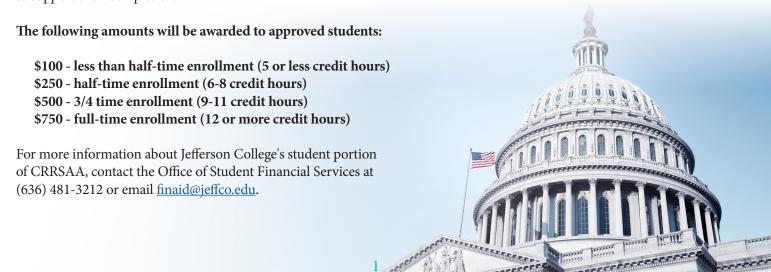
CRRSAA funds are available to support students struggling to cover any component of their educational costs or for emergency expenses that have arisen due to the coronavirus while attending Jefferson College.

"We are a year into this pandemic and a lot of economic situations have changed for families. We know many of our students continue to struggle financially," said College President Dr. Dena McCaffrey. "According to the act passed by Congress, students with the highest need are being prioritized."

Degree and certificate-seeking students, as well as non-degree seeking, non-credit, dual enrollment, and continuing education students participating in spring 2021 courses, may apply for a CRRSAA emergency financial aid grant. CRRSAA funds are limited to U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens. International students are not eligible. Although recipients need not be Title IV eligible, post-secondary students with exceptional need documented through completion of Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) may receive priority awarding.

Requests will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted. Submission of an application is not a guarantee that a grant will be awarded. Students who have withdrawn from Jefferson College are not eligible. For consideration, students are required to complete an application identifying their hardship.

Approved grant amounts will be based on spring 2021 enrollment level at the time of payment. For non-degree students, a comparable level of enrollment will be determined. Title IV eligible students with a Pell-eligible income level and those graduating from an essential worker degree or certificate program in spring or summer 2021 will receive a \$100 bonus amount to support their completion.



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### - EMPLOYERS -

Register, create a profile (company information, job information, etc), and show videos. You can schedule appointment times to meet with job seekers.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

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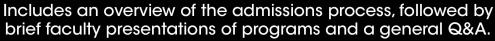
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, SOCIAL SCIENCE & PUBLIC SERVICE

Monday, April 5 • 6 - 7:30 PM



Business, Sociology & Social Work Education, Psychology, Law Enforcement

brief faculty presentations of programs and a general Q&A.



Free & Open to Everyone!

**RSVP BY APRIL 5:** http://bit.ly/JC-Business-SS-PS

(You will receive a link to the event.)

School of Math, Physics & Technology Information Night: 4/19/21 • 6 - 7:30 PM **UPCOMING SESSIONS:** School of Humanities Information Night: 5/3/21 • 6 - 7:30 PM

### Jefferson College Arnold Sock Collection Drive

Students and employees at Jefferson College Arnold recently collected 250 pairs of socks in connection with a Sock Drive to help those in need. Enough socks were collected for men, women and children to fill two huge baskets. Pictured with the collection of donated socks are (from left) JCA Enrollment Services Assistant, Trisha Fromm, and Director of Jefferson College Arnold, Holly Lincoln.

In light of the fact that socks are the #1 most requested item at homeless shelters, 50 pairs were given to the Vikings' Vault for anyone who needs them and 200 pairs were donated to the Arnold Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who brought in donations for this important student and community-focused effort!



### Conversations on Diversity: "Deej" Insider View of Autism – Film Discussion April 6

The Jefferson College Diversity Committee will host another program in the Conversations on Diversity series on Tuesday, April 6, at 7 p.m. with a discussion of the Peabody Award-winning, Emmy-nominated documentary "Deej" led by DJ Savarese and members of the Jefferson College Diversity Committee.

Abandoned by his birth parents and unable to speak for himself, DJ Savarese ("Deej") found not only a loving family but also a life in words, which he types on a text-to-voice synthesizer. As he makes his way through high school and dreams of college, he confronts the terrors of his past, obstacles to inclusion, and the sometimes paralyzing beauty of his own senses. In his advocacy on behalf of other nonspeaking autistics, he embraces filmmaking and poetry, and discovers what having a voice can truly mean.

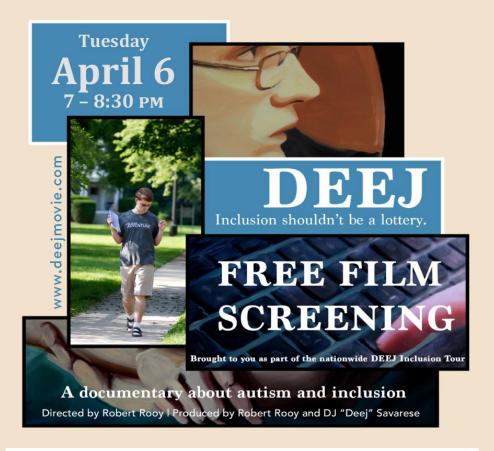
In this first-of-its kind collaboration between a veteran filmmaker and a nonspeaking autistic, Robert Rooy and DJ share editorial control as they navigate the challenges of representing autism. "Deej" is a story told largely from the inside, by DJ--not by his parents or autism experts or even the camera.

The national Deej Inclusion
Tour is holding a series of public
events around the country to
raise awareness about autism and
neurodiversity and to engage
community members on how to
build more inclusive schools and
communities. The goal of the
tour is to promote inclusion of all
neuro-divergent people, especially
nonspeaking autistics.

The film discussion will be presented virtually and is open to everyone. To register, go to bit. ly/Register-Deej-Film. Those who register will be provided a link in order to view the film between April 2-7. Prior to the discussion forum on April 6, a link to Google Meet will be shared via email with all registered participants.

For more information about the film, watch the trailer at <a href="www.deejmovie.com/">www.deejmovie.com/</a>

The Diversity Series is being hosted in an effort to address current issues related to diversity and is designed to engage people in productive, honest, respectful dialogue. Programs feature local and national speakers throughout the year as well as virtual forums facilitated by the campus community.



Join us in discussion forum over the film Deej.

Fill out the registration form to view the film and register for the discussion forum.

After you register, you will receive a link to access the film.

You have April 2-8 to view the film, and the discussion forum is on April 6th at 7pm.

(You will be sent a link to the Google Meet session prior to the event.)

**RSVP Today!** 



RSVP for the event & access the film: https://forms.gle/VWbjzEAZKNiDWjQ47

Scan here

Jefferson College's diversity statement affirms that the college is a community leader dedicated to supporting and promoting diversity through opportunities and experiences that foster a culture of respect, inclusiveness, and understanding for everyone in the campus community, to engage in a diverse world. The statement was developed by the Diversity Subcommittee of the Accreditation Committee.

For more information about the "Deej" program or the Conversations on Diversity series, contact Elke Overton, Assistant Professor of Music, at <a href="mailto:eoverton@jeffco.edu">eoverton@jeffco.edu</a> or 636-481-3372.

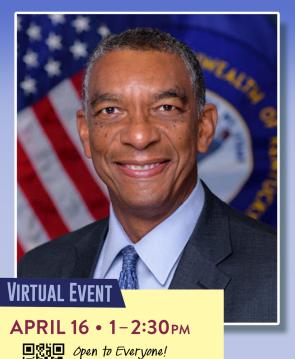




It is the policy of Jefferson College that no person shall, on the basis of age, ancestry, color, creed, disability, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, or veteran status, be subject to discrimination in employment or in admission to any educational program or activity of the College. Note: If accommodations for a disability are needed contact the Disability Support Services Coordinator, TC101, [636] 481-3169 or 797-3000, ext. 3169 or cplatter@jeffco.edu.

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# **CREATING AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY TO COMBAT RACISM**



Register Today for the Event:

http://bit.ly/COD-Thompson

Aaron Thompson

Jefferson College welcomes Aaron Thompson from the Kentucky Department of Education to speak about racism and addressing racism within your educational institution.

Aaron is a nationally recognized leader in higher education who is working to ensure that all Kentuckians have an equal opportunity to improve their lives through postsecondary education.

Thompson experienced first-hand the transformative power of a college credential, and he considers it his life's mission to help the Commonwealth achieve prosperity through education. The son of an illiterate coal miner and a mother who attained only an 8th-grade education, he went on to become a first-generation high school and college graduate.

His leadership experience spans 27 years across higher education, business and numerous nonprofit boards. Thompson has researched, taught and consulted in areas of diversity, leadership, ethics, multicultural families, race and ethnic relations, student success, first-year students, retention, cultural competence and organizational design throughout his career.

He has authored or co-authored numerous books and peer-reviewed publications on diversity, cultural competence, first-year experience programs, retention and student success, among other topics. He was inducted into the Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame in 2019.



### **AARON LIKENS**

Author of Finding Kansas: Living and Decoding Asperger's Syndrome

When he was diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome at age 20, Aaron Likens began collecting his thoughts and experiences on paper-the highs, the lows, the challenges, and the unexpected joys. What he found was hope – not only for himself, but also for others with Asperger's.

Now a sought-after speaker and blogger, he is passionate about sharing his insights into this often misunderstood condition. He was the 2012 recipient of the Missouri Champions of Mental Health Award, and in 2013 he received the Youth Leadership Award for the state of Missouri. Since 2010, Aaron has given more than 600 presentations to more than 54,000 students, teachers, parents, police officers, and professionals nationwide. Aaron is also an Easterseals national representative.

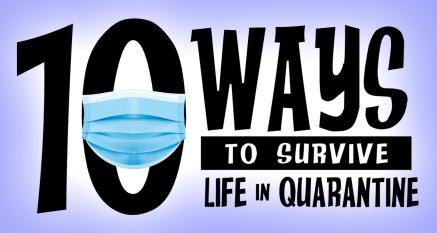
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**APRIL 9-11, 2021** 

(ONE-ACT) A STAY-AT-HOME PLAY

**BY DON ZOLIDIS** 

**DIRECTED BY REBECCA ELLISON** 

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Link posted within 24 hours of showtime:

WWW.JEFFCO.EDU/PACE





# Community Invited to Share Recipes and Crafts for Activity and Cookbook



Among the many impacts that the pandemic has made in people's lives is the adjustment in cooking and/or homeschooling and/or family together time. Jefferson College is seeking community submissions of favorite recipes and craft or activity ideas for inclusion in the book "A Balanced Viking Life," an activity and cookbook for youth and adults.

All proceeds from the sale of the book will support the Jefferson College Viking Fund. Gifts to the Viking Fund strengthen Jefferson College's ability to serve students through scholarships, teaching innovations, updated technology, comprehensive programs, and facility improvements, positively impacting student lives and preserving the high-quality education students receive at Jefferson College.

There is no cost to submit a recipe, craft or activity idea. Submissions will be accepted online:

Recipe - appetizers, main dish, desserts, drinks, etc. - bit.ly/JC-Recipe

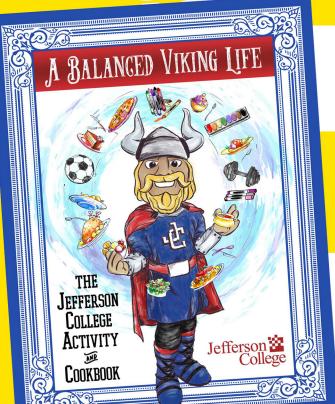
**Craft or Activity** - ideas to help keep children of all ages busy when stuck at home or on a trip. It can include electronic, hands-on or even verbal activities - <a href="https://bit.ly/JC-Craft">bit.ly/JC-Craft</a>

The deadline for submission is April 30.

The book costs \$15 and will be available this summer. Pre-orders are now begin accepted at <a href="bit.ly/JC-Cookbook">bit.ly/JC-Cookbook</a>. Books can be picked up at the Hillsboro campus or shipped for an additional fee.

"A Balanced Viking Life" is a cooperative project by the Jefferson College Foundation, Employee Support Committee, Area Technical School Culinary Arts program, and Area Technical School Early Childhood Development program.

# A Balanced Viking Life" Activity & Cookbook



Through this pandemic, each and every one of us had to adjust our cooking and/or homeschooling/entertaining our children.

"A Balanced Viking Life" will be a compilation of unique recipes and activities for youth and adults submitted by our community members.

We would love for you to share your recipes & craft or activity ideas through this community project.

The books will be available in Summer 2021.

The cost is \$15 each.

Pre-orders are accepted now! www.jeffco.edu/giving/cookbook



All proceeds support the Jefferson College Viking Fund.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

All monthly agenda items and supporting materials are posted online via the Board Docs site accessible through the Jefferson College website homepage at jeffco.edu clicking on "About" > "Leadership" > "Board of Trustees" links.

### March agenda items approved and/or discussed:

- Consent Agenda Items (Minutes, Financial Statement, Investments Report, Faculty Load Adjustments - Spring 2021, Curriculum Matters)
- Architectural Services for Student Center Renovation
- SAN Maintenance and Support
- Dog Kennel Addition
- Furniture for Business Office
- Re-employment of Faculty for 2021-22
- Re-employment of Certified Professional Staff for 2021-22
- **Granting of Faculty Tenure**

### 2021 Board Meeting Schedule

**April 8** – 6 p.m.

May 13 – 5 p.m.

June 10 - Noon

July 8 – Noon

August 12 - Noon

**September 9** – 5:30 p.m.

October 14 – 6 p.m.

December 2 – 5 p.m.

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# Virtual Auction April 10-17 is Fun Way to Support Students and Programs

The Jefferson College Foundation Virtual Auction is almost here. Thank you to all of our faculty, staff, and community members who have so generously supported the auction!

Go to <u>bit.ly/Foundation-Auction</u> and browse all the exciting items up for bid, purchase raffle tickets for a Weber grill, an Apple Watch, or a Samsung TV, or make a donation. Bidding opens at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 10, and closes at 9 p.m. on Saturday, April 17. The raffles will be drawn at 8:30 p.m. on April 17.

The Virtual Auction directly supports our students through scholarships, emergency/hardship grants, degree completion programs, and much more.

So please enjoy, browse, shop, bid, and know that in the end your support of the Foundation ensures that students will have access to higher education for years to come. You'll find some great things of interest, but more importantly, you'll be helping our community from the comfort of home!





For more information email foundation@jeffco.edu or call 636-481-3105.

### Foundation Receives \$20,000 Grant to Address Racial Equity

The Missouri Scholarship and Loan Foundation recently awarded a \$20,000 grant to the Jefferson College Foundation to provide resources targeted towards racial equity and inclusion at the College. A task force including faculty and staff is working with the Foundation to use the grant for diversity, inclusion, and racial equity education for students, faculty, and staff.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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