



Jefferson College's 59th Anniversary Coincides with Community College Month #CCMONTH Campaign



In conjunction with the 59th anniversary of Jefferson College's establishment by voters on April 2, 1963, and to improve awareness of the economic, academic, and equity advantages of attending community colleges, while busting longtime stigmas wrongly associated with public two-year colleges, the College is taking part in a national month-long grassroots education campaign known as Community College Month #CCMonth.

The College has grown substantially in scope since the day the institution was founded by currently offering six associate degree pathways, more than 50 diverse academic programs, a multitude of workforce development training opportunities, adult education literacy/high school equivalency instruction, and extensive community outreach programs and initiatives.

Since its creation, Jefferson College has provided a quality, affordable education to thousands of students, encompassing more than 27,000 graduates who have been/are employed throughout Jefferson County and the surrounding metropolitan region.

"An unfair stereotype persists across our nation that community colleges are 'less than' or inferior to four year colleges and universities," said Jefferson College President Dr. Dena McCaffrey. "The truth is that highquality faculty, relevant curricula, in-demand career training with strong employment opportunities, and easily transferable credits are the hallmarks of modern community colleges. #CCMonth is an opportunity to demonstrate not only that community colleges should be the first choice of many students, but why community colleges are first-class institutions that are vital to our local and state economy."

Public community colleges are a uniquely American educational model that was designed to guarantee access to affordable, high-quality higher education for all people. They are the primary educators of life-saving nursing and other healthcare professionals among many others. They also serve as an onramp to bachelor's, master's and higher-level degrees for many students, and particularly for the most demographically and socioeconomically diverse students.

They guarantee fair admissions for all students. They offer support for adult students who have to work to support their families. Without community colleges, many American students would not be able to access higher education at all.

In short, community colleges were created to serve the needs of their communities, and they do it exceptionally well.

Despite all this, many American people wrongly believe that community colleges are inferior institutions, and in most states, universities receive significantly more per-student state support than community colleges do. These negative attitudes and disparities support and encourage ongoing socioeconomic and demographic disadvantages and inequities in the United States.











"Community colleges are engines of diversity, equity and inclusion," said ACCT President and CEO Jee Hang Lee. "They give opportunities to all students, and they support all students throughout their educations, whether they attend to attain an associate degree or certificate, intend to transfer on for a bachelor's or higher degree, or they take one or a few courses to learn a new skill or expand their horizons."

In celebration of #CC Month, the College will be posting a series of messages on social media and has planned a variety of activities to celebrate the College's 59th anniversary and underscore the importance of being YOUR community's college:

2022 Community College Month Calendar of Events

#CCMonth - Share Your Story on Social Media

Jefferson College wants to celebrate you! Throughout the month, the College will highlight the experiences and success stories of our students, staff and alumni on the College's social media accounts. Please follow along on one of the accounts below:

Facebook - Jefferson College Go Jeffco Instagram - @GoJeffco Twitter - @GoJeffco

Performing Arts and Cultural Enrichment (PACE) Series

Bent Frequency - Sunday, April 3 • 1:30 p.m. • Fine Arts Theatre Joel Vanderheyden Quartet - Tuesday, April 19 • 1:30 pm • Fine Arts Theatre

College Birthday Celebration

Monday, April 4, 10 a.m. - Noon • Hillsboro campus Central Lawn, JCI and JCA

Observatory - Aim for The Stars Sunday, April 3 • 7 p.m. • Softball Parking Lot

Student BBQ & Free Groceries

Tuesday, April 5 • 11 a.m. • Viking Woods

National Pet Day - Social Media

Monday, April 11

Share photos of your pet(s) to be on the Jefferson College social media accounts.

Board of Trustees Meeting - Community College Month Proclamation

Thursday, April 14, 6 p.m. • Administration Building Board Room

Softball Home Games

Sunday, April 3 • 1 p.m. vs MCC Thursday, April 7 • 2 p.m. vs MAC Wednesday, April 27 • 2 p.m. vs Crowder

Baseball Home Games

Saturday, April 2 • 1 p.m. vs St. Charles Monday, April 4 • 3:30 p.m. vs Webster JV Saturday, April 9 • 1 p.m. vs State Fair

Friday, April 15 • 1 p.m. vs STLCC Friday, April 23 • 2 p.m. vs Crowder











College Expands Degree Offerings with New Associate Degree in Biology

The Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education recently approved Jefferson College's proposal to offer a new Associate of Science in Biology degree.

The ASB is intended for students to transfer into pre-professional science programs such as environmental science, biomedical science, forestry, or many others. Enrollment for the new degree program is now open. For details, visit www.jeffco.edu/academics/biology or call Admissions at (636) 481-3235.

Jefferson ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - BIOLOGY

The two-year Associate of Science in Biology Program prepares students to transfer to a four-year college or university to earn a bachelor's degree in biology or a related field, such as environmental science, biomedical science, forestry, or many others.

A bachelor's degree in biology can also prepare you for post-baccalaureate health care opportunities, such as medical school, public health education, veterinary, or dental school.

With a bachelor's degree in biology you are on your way to becoming:

- A physician
- A veterinarian
- ♦ A physical therapist
- A research scientist

After completing just the two year AS at Jefferson College you may qualify as:

- An agricultural or food scientist technician
- A laboratory assistant
- A biological or research technician



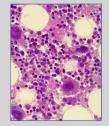
COURSES OFFERED AS PART OF THIS DEGREE PROGRAM INCLUDE:



Biology for Majors I & II, Ecology



General Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Pre-Calculus



Microbiology, Genetics, Cell Biology



Anatomy and Physiology I & II

Summer and Fall Enrollment Now Underway

If you or someone you know is interested in registering for summer or fall classes at the College, now is an ideal time to take a campus tour, reach out for more information, or enroll in more than 50 diverse programs.

New and prospective students should visit www.jeffco.edu/Getting-Started, email admissions@jeffco.edu, or contact Admissions at 636-481-3235. You can view available classes at www.jeffco.edu/classschedule. You belong here!



PTA Program Grad Receives Prestigious Clinical Teaching Award

Bryan Fitzpatrick, a 2016 graduate of the Jefferson College Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) program, was recently awarded the 2021 Kathy Johnson Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award by the Central ACCE Consortium.

An employee at Mercy Hospital Jefferson, he was presented the award in front of his family, co-workers, students, hospital administrators and supervisors, and Jefferson College PTA program faculty/leadership.

After his daughter went to college to become a physical therapist, Bryan decided to return to school and join her in the profession as a PTA. He joined Jefferson College's third cohort of students and once he graduated and had a year of experience, Bryan began to accept students and share his experience in the inpatient setting.



Pictured, from left, is Mercy Hospital Jefferson President and CEO Eric Ammons; Jefferson College PTA Program Director Bridget Webb, PT, DPT; Fitzpatrick; Mercy Hospital Jefferson Director of Rehab Services Eric Baldonado, MSPT; and Jefferson College PTA Clinical Director/Assistant Professor Nancy Miller, PT, DPT.

The prestigious Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award is presented to professionals who provide outstanding clinical experiences to students in one or more of the 38-member consortium Physical Therapy or Physical Therapist Assistant programs at institutions across seven Midwestern states. He was nominated by Jefferson College Director of Clinical Education/Assistant Professor Nancy Miller, PT, DPT.

Nominees must display excellence in clinical teaching reflected in the level of involvement in teaching, ability to provide appropriate learning experiences and work with a variety of students, as well as demonstrate professional development of teaching skills. He has worked at Mercy Hospital Jefferson since graduating from Jefferson College in 2016. Upon taking on the clinical teaching role four years ago, he has served as a Clinical Instructor to more than a dozen students.

Bryan's nomination letter stated that he feels it is his duty to give back to his profession in the role of clinical instructor as much as he can, offering a consistent inpatient clinical experience at Mercy Hospital Jefferson.

"Bryan has an unofficial role of assigning the PT treatments for the department daily. He is constantly assisting with multidisciplinary patient care. He is a great team player and steps up whenever asked!" said Cathy Rozier, PT, MPT, Bryan's supervisor at Mercy Hospital Jefferson.

"He was knowledgeable and empowering and was always willing to give me the lead and let me gain experience," said Ben Robarge, Jefferson College PTA class of 2021. "He was open and easy to talk to and had a unique way of making patients laugh with his sense of humor. He was able to explain the team dynamics of working there. He was able to change my view of inpatient, and I really enjoyed my time there."

Congratulations to Bryan for his excellence and dedication as a mentor and teacher. His professionalism, respect, and commitment are reflective of Mercy Hospital Jefferson and the Jefferson College PTA program.

College Library to Celebrate National Library Week with Annual Book Sale April 4-9

In celebration of National Library Week, the Jefferson College Library will host a book sale April 4-9 on the Hillsboro campus during regular hours. The Library is open to the public Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sale items will include privately donated books and DVDs. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Jefferson College Foundation's Library Scholarship Fund. Payment may be made via cash, check or credit card.

Those interested are encouraged to visit the Library during the early portions of the sale for the best selection of available titles.

For further information about the book sale, call the Library Circulation Desk at (636) 481-3166 or (636) 481-3167. (TTY users dial 711).

The Jefferson College Library offers a variety of services and resources. Jefferson County residents age 18 and older may purchase a library card for \$15 per year. Residents 65 and older qualify for a free card.

The Library on the Hillsboro campus has a collection of more than 70,000 books and access to more than 22,000,000 books through the statewide MOBIUS consortium. Patrons may also check out a variety of magazines, DVDs, CDs, and eBooks. The Library also houses the Jefferson County History Center and serves as a Selective U.S. Federal Depository Library with primary sources and government publications. Users will find collaborative and quiet study areas, access to wireless Internet, and a variety of materials for research and personal enrichment.



Performing Arts Series Features Joel Vanderheyden Quartet and Student Art Show



The Joel Vanderheyden Quartet will perform their rescheduled concert (cancelled in February due to inclement weather) as part of the Performing Arts and Cultural Enrichment (PACE) series on Tuesday, April 19, at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Hillsboro campus. The group, led by Jefferson College Music Professor Vanderheyden on saxophone, blends jazz, hip-hop, rock, and pop music in an all-acoustic experience that is complete with blistering improvisation and a joyful group dynamic. Other members of the group include Kara Mehrmann on piano, Desiree Jones on drums, and Ben Wheeler on bass.

Advance tickets are available for \$5/adults and \$2/students and senior citizens. All individual advance ticket purchases can be made online at <u>jeffcopace.ludus.com</u> or in person at the Fine Arts Box Office (cash only) pending availability prior to each show.

Additionally, Jefferson College Art department students will be displaying some of their best work during the annual Art Show April 25-May 6 in the Fine Arts Theatre lobby. The display is free to everyone.

For detailed information about specific PACE performances/times and season pass information, visit the Jefferson College website at www.jeffco. edu/PACE or call (636) 481-3367.



Jefferson County Mobile Health Center Monthly Visits to Hillsboro Campus

To provide health-related services to our campus community, the College is partnering with the Jefferson County Health Department to bring their Mobile Wellness Unit to the Hillsboro campus on a monthly basis. The next campus visit will be April 27-28 near the Veterans Memorial by the Yellow Parking Lot. Services include acute primary care, general wellness checks, and screening such as blood pressure, Diabetes, and weight checks.

For a full list of available services, visit www.jeffcohealth.org/mobile-health-center.

Anyone is welcome to use JCHD Mobile Wellness services by making an appointment at (636) 233-3491, allowing patients to experience a more private, personal setting with only one person onboard at a time. Insurance will be billed to those who have coverage; otherwise, JCHD will collect a \$25 office fee for individuals who are uninsured.



JCHD Mobile Wellness Unit bringing quality care to you!

April 27 & 28, 9am-4pm **Jefferson College- Hillsboro**

Call to schedule an appointment! 636-233-3491

Services Offered:

- > Acute primary care
- > General Wellness Check
- > Screenings
- Blood pressure
- Diabetes
- Weight Check

Stay tuned as additional dates are announced.

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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.

Agenda items approved and/or discussed in March:

- Presentation: Capital Projects FY 2023 (John Linhorst and Daryl Gehbauer)
- Presentation: Recruitment and Retention Strategies (Carrie Greer and Brenna Young)
- Approval of Consent Agenda Items (Minutes, Financial Statement, Investments Report, and Curriculum Matters)
- Approval Special Meeting Minutes (March 3, 2022)
- Contract Architect of Record
- Arts and Sciences I Lecture Hall Chairs
- Nursing Program Simulation Equipment
- IT Storage Area Network Hardware
- Re-employment of Faculty, 2022-2023
- Re-employment of Certified Professional Staff, 2022-2023
- Granting of Tenure, 2022
- Appointment Interim Program Director of Occupational Therapy Assistant Program
- Appointment Full-time Temporary Nursing Faculty
- Memorandum of Understanding Between East Central College, Jefferson College, and Mineral Area College
- Board of Trustees Policy V-007, Remote Work (First Reading)
- Board of Trustees Procedure V-007, Remote Work (First Reading)
- Revision to Board of Trustees Procedure VII-007, Student Code of Conduct (First Reading)

2022 Board Meeting Schedule

April 14 – 5:30 p.m. May 12 – 5 p.m.

June 9 - Noon

July 21 - Noon

September 8 – 5 p.m.

October 13 – 5:30 p.m.

December 1 – 5 p.m.

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Foundation Spring Virtual Auction Exceeds Fundraising Goal

Thanks to the generosity of those who participated in the Virtual Auction, the Jefferson College Foundation reached its goal of raising more than \$40,000! The funds raised at the auction provide students and the College with much-needed resources necessary to achieve a quality education and a successful future.

Special thanks goes out to College faculty and staff, committees, and departments, who contributed to the auction. This year's event contained 182 items, and 169 bidders participated in the fun event, which ended April 2 with four raffle drawings. The raffles raised \$3,220 alone, and were won by Laura Villmer (Apple or Samsung Watch), Mark Janiesch (Samsung TV), Debbie Greff (processed beef), and Jennifer Johnson (Traeger grill).

This year's Virtual Auction sponsors included:

Gold Sponsors: Enterprise Bank & Trust, Sapaugh Motor Company

Silver Sponsors: Mercy Hospital Jefferson

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Bronze Sponsors: Ameren Missouri, Express Mart, First State Community Bank, Govero Land Services, H-J Enterprises, Production Castings, Twin City Toyota



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	10	11	12	13	Board of Trustees Meeting 5 PM Admin - Board Room & GoogleMeet	Campus Closed	Baseball vs STLCC 6 PM Baseball Field
	Easter	18	Joel Vanderheyden Quartet 7 PM FA-Theatre	20	21	22	Sho-Me Basketball Showcase 8 AM FH - Gym
	Sho-Me Basketball Showcase 8 AM, FH - Gym Sophomore Recital 3 PM, FA-Theatre	25	26	Wellness Van 9 AM, Yellow Lot	Wellness Van 9 AM, Yellow Lot Pathways to Prevention 10 AM Central Lawn	Baseball Regional 12 PM Baseball Field	Regional 12 PM Baseball Field Vikings ID Camp 12 PM, Soccer Field













