

The Windjammer

May 2023

Jefferson College

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58th Annual Commencement Exercises May 20 Alum Rick Francis to Deliver Keynote Address

Jefferson College will hold its 58th annual commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 20, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Field House on the Hillsboro campus.

Nearly 700 students are eligible to receive associate degrees or certificates as the class of 2023. During the ceremony, 617 associate degrees and 88 career and technical certificates will be awarded. This year's oldest graduate is 62 and youngest is 17.

Jefferson College

2023 COMMENCEMENT

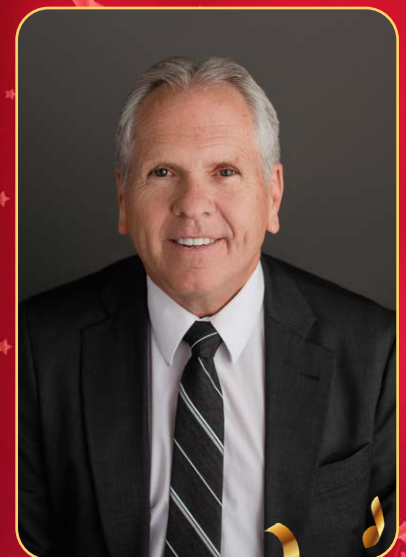
SATURDAY, MAY 20
10 AM *and* 1 PM

In connection with the College's 60th anniversary celebration, 1977 alum Rick Francis of De Soto will deliver the keynote address for each ceremony. He has worked more than 47 years as a community banker in Jefferson County and is the Market President of First State Community Bank. Francis is also a member of the Board of Directors of First State Bancshares in Farmington and a member of the Institute of Certified Bankers with a Certified Regulatory Compliance Manager Certification with a retired status.

Francis is a Board Member of Mercy Jefferson Hospital and is a member and past president of the Jefferson College Foundation. He is the current Vice Chairman of the Jefferson County Economic Development Corporation and serves as the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the First Baptist Church De Soto.

As a public service, each of the graduation ceremonies will be shown live via streaming video on the Jefferson College Go Jeffco YouTube page.

Attendees and their families are encouraged to post graduation-related photos and memories using #JeffcoGrad on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.



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All jackets, bags and backpacks will be searched upon entry to the Field House. Purses, diaper bags and other small personal bags are allowed, but will be inspected at the entrance. No large bags or boxes are allowed in the building without prior authorization. In the event that prohibited items are revealed in a search, guests will be asked to dispose of the items or return them to their cars before re-entering the building. Guests are encouraged to arrive early to allow adequate time to enter the building.

Any attendee who will need special seating or parking for someone attending graduation should contact the college's Disability Support Services Office at (636) 481-3158. Bottom tier seating and special parking are available by reservation and/or on a first come, first available basis.

Additional details about Jefferson College's 2023 commencement are available on the Jefferson College website at www.jeffco.edu/graduation.

The College is a tobacco-free/smoke-free environment and the use of tobacco and all smoke-related products (including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, smokeless/chewing tobacco, electronic cigarettes, herbal cigarettes, herbal smoke products, hookahs, and beedies) is restricted to inside personal vehicles.

Jefferson College Anniversary Celebration Continues: 60 Years of Service to Students and Our Community



In celebration of Jefferson College's 60th anniversary and its positive impact on thousands of graduates and our community since 1963, a series of special events and activities has begun this spring and will continue through December to commemorate Jefferson College's significance in the region. The celebration is designed to honor the College's past, present, and future.

"From its humble beginning in the early 1960s, Jefferson College has played a vital role in Jefferson County's development and progress," said College President Dr. Dena McCaffrey. "This anniversary year provides the opportunity to say thanks for the tremendous support Jefferson College has enjoyed over the past 60 years. We invite everyone who has ever been involved with the College to proudly participate in the celebration."

On the heels of highlighting Jefferson College's impact throughout April in connection with national Community College Month #CCMONTH, a "Birthday Break" was held last week as students, faculty, staff, retirees, and community members were invited to sign a giant 60th birthday card, view nostalgic campus photos and Vikon yearbooks, enjoy specially decorated cupcakes, and be part of a large group "60" photo as seen in the [Leader newspaper](#).



All 60th anniversary activities are open to the community. Although some activities have an admission fee, many are free. Upcoming spring events include:

PAGE **DREAM, DANCE & SING!**

May 9
Wind Ensemble Concert
"Dream, Dance and Sing" *
7:30 p.m. – Fine Arts Theatre

PAGE **PASSAGES**

Paula Martin, Director
Cathy Boemler, Accompanist

May 14
Choir Concert "Passages" *
3 p.m. – Fine Arts Theatre

Jefferson College **2023 COMMENCEMENT**

May 20
58th Annual Commencement Ceremonies*
10 a.m./1 p.m. – Field House



June 4

“Aim for the Stars” *

7 p.m. – Jefferson College Observatory



June 16-18 and 23-25

Summer Musical: Roald Dahl’s “Willy Wonka”

7 p.m./2 p.m. – Fine Arts Theatre

Tickets \$10 general admission and

\$5 students/seniors/matinees [available online](#).

*Events that are free to all

Other spring events include Vikings baseball and softball games. For up to date schedules and opponents, visit www.jeffco.edu/athletics/teams.

The complete list of Spring 2023 60th anniversary events can be viewed on the Jefferson College website at www.jeffco.edu/60th-Anniversary-Events. Additional event details and activities will be announced throughout the summer.

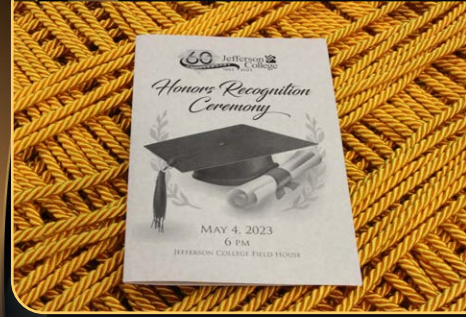


Annual Honors Recognition Ceremony Highlights College's Best and Brightest

In recognition of outstanding academic and achievement awards by the College's students and distinguished faculty, the 2023 Honors Recognition Ceremony was held last week with more than 240 eligible to participate in the annual event.

In addition to acknowledging Honors Program graduates, Early College graduates, and Certificate with Distinction graduates, high achieving students were awarded certificates and honors graduation cords for Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Summa Cum Laude designations.

Several other awards were presented as captioned below:



Physical Therapist Assistant Program Director Dr. Bridget Webb is announced as the recipient of the Emerson Electric Award for Teaching Excellence.



English Professor Lisa Ebert is recognized as the 2023 Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching recipient.



Natalie Pigg (left) is presented the Alumna of the Year Award from Associate Dean of the School of Math, Physics, and Technology Maryanne Angliongto.



Samantha Tinsley (left) is presented the Project SUCCESS Award from Senior Student Services Specialist Torri Thomas.



Brayden Pratt is honored as a 2023 All-Missouri Academic Team member by Vice President of Student Services Dr. Kimberly Harvey-Manus.

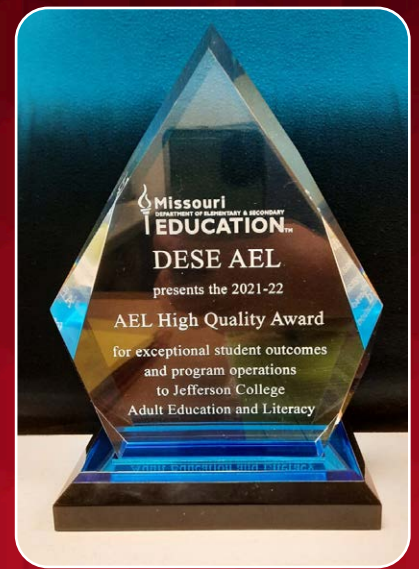
All of the photos taken during the ceremony will be posted on the [Jefferson College Go Jeffco Facebook page](#).

Jefferson College AEL Program Receives DESE Statewide Recognition for Excellence

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education recently awarded the Jefferson College Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program with the AEL High Quality Award. The AEL program earned the accolade for meeting all set targets for the 2021-22 academic year, which included persistence, post-testing, measurable skill gains, and employment after exit.

“Missouri DESE recognizes local programs that achieve outstanding student outcomes while maintaining a high degree of fiscal integrity in their program operations.” Only one other program in the state qualified for the award.

The Jefferson College Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program is funded through the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and is the only accredited program in Jefferson County. The services are free. To learn more about the award-winning program, visit www.jeffco.edu/AEL or call (636) 481-3437.



AEL Director Julie Johns (right) accepts the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education AEL High Quality Award on behalf of Jefferson College as one of only two programs in the entire state to receive the recognition.



College Support Staff Honored for Student-Centered Excellence

Congratulations to Student-Athlete Success Coordinator Meredith Buschmann on receiving the Peggy Clinton Memorial Service Award from her Missouri Association for College Admissions Counseling peers. The award is bestowed upon an admissions professional who exemplifies the qualities that made Peggy Clinton so special, which include being detail-focused and caring for the well-being of the students they serve.

Athletics Director Bob Deutschman says that Meredith has done an exemplary job in her role since joining our team in August of 2021 and she reflects the quality of service that is being provided to Viking student-athletes.

Kudos also go out to Retention Services Coordinator Brenna Young, COMTREA on Campus Counselor Heather Bond, and the Jefferson College Care Team on receiving recognition at this year's Meeting of the Minds Conference. Brenna and Heather were honored as Outstanding Professionals of the Year and the Care Team received Outstanding Program of the Year.



Spring Cleaning Supplies Drive at Jefferson College Arnold



Thank you to Jefferson College Arnold staff team for organizing a collection effort resulting in over 145 items during the recent Spring Cleaning Drive. Pictured (left to right) is Holly Lincoln, Anthony Foster, Shirley Thomas, Shannon Wells, Frank Allen, and Shannon VonderHaar. The items were donated to the Vikings' Vault Food Pantry for students.



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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 April:

- Administering the Oath of Office (Margie Passmore and Marc Williams)
- Approval of Consent Agenda Items (Minutes, Financial Statement, Investments Report, Curriculum Matters, and Continuing Education Course Offerings Summer 2023)
- Organization of the Board (President – Margie Passmore, Vice President – Susan Tuggle, Treasurer – Daryl Gehbauer, Secretary – Lisa Vinyard)
- Establish Time and Place of Regular Board Meetings
- Contract - Systems Permission Process Configuration
- Purchase - Condensing Unit Repairs for Arts & Science I and Student Center Buildings
- Renovation of Hillsboro Campus Restrooms (no action taken)
- Jefferson College Arnold Renovation and Addition
- Jefferson College and Jefferson College Foundation Auditing Services
- Gymnasium Floor Covering
- Employee Raises/Contracts 2023-2024
- Promotions in Accordance with Faculty Promotions in Academic Ranking System
- Assistant Director of Maintenance (John Willett)
- Dean of Instruction (Dr. Kenny Wilson)

Special Board Meeting April 18

- Renovation of Hillsboro Campus Restrooms



2023 Board Meeting Schedule

(Open Session Times Listed)

- May 11 – 5:30 p.m.
- June 8 – 12:30 p.m.
- July 27 – 12:30 p.m.
- September 14 – 5:30 p.m.
- October 12 – 5:30 p.m.
- December 7 – 5:30 p.m.

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PARAMEDIC SCHOLARSHIP TRIVIA NIGHT

MAY 12

HILLSBORO CIVIC CENTER

10349 MO-21 BUS, HILLSBORO, MO 63050

DOORS OPEN: 5:30 PM • TRIVIA STARTS: 6 PM

Thank you to the Hillsboro Civic Center and their generosity in donating the use of their space!



WHAT IS IT?

This event is a student led initiative to bring in funds to help relieve some of the financial strain from future paramedic students. The end goal is to continue to endow the fund to eventually make paramedic school free at Jefferson College.

FOOD

Feel free to pack a cooler of snacks/dinner and non-alcoholic or non-soda beverages! There will be a cash soda bar and some snacks & desserts will be provided.

PRICE OF ATTENDANCE

Tables of 8 people. A full table registration is **\$175**. Individual tickets are **\$25**.



SCAN ME

Register here for a table, as an individual, or to be a sponsor!

If you have any questions or thoughts, reach out to EMS Program Director Joe Haack at jhaack@jeffco.edu

SPONSORS

If you would like to sponsor the event, we will have three tiers of sponsors:

TIER 1: \$3,000

There will be one Tier 1 Sponsor. This person/business will be the event sponsor and will get to choose the theme for the night (how we decorate and encourage people to dress). They will also have the opportunity to display advertising material at the event (banners, posterboards, product booth, etc)

TIER 2: \$500

This tier will sponsor a round of trivia and get to choose the theme for that round's questions. There can be up to nine tier 2 sponsors. They will also get their logo displayed at the start of the round with an acknowledgement and thanks from us.

TIER 3: \$100

This tier will sponsor a question and can write a question within the theme (or defer the question writing if they so choose). This will come with a verbal acknowledgement and thanks from us.

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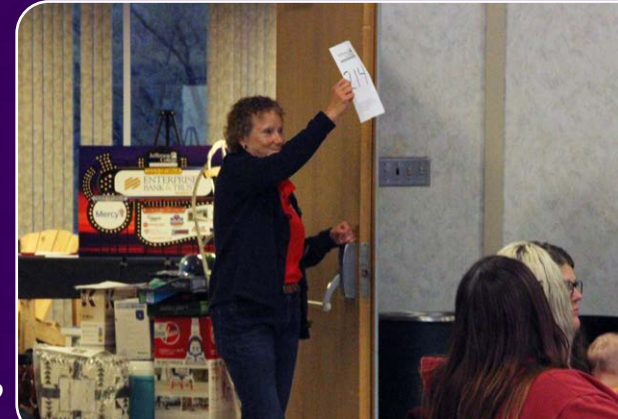
Jefferson College FOUNDATION



Spring Auction Success!

The Foundation's 2023 Virtual Auction raised more than \$42,000, a six percent increase compared to last year. Auction items for the event were donated from individuals, businesses, civic/business clubs, and faculty/staff of Jefferson College.

The auction featured an in-person party on Saturday, April 22, for bidders to participate in raffle games and live drawings, a live auction of a number of choice items that resulted in \$4,175, and a fund-a-future scholarship promotion that led to \$3,050. The event was successful, and the overall feedback from participants was positive. Thank you for supporting the College's students and programs!



Foundation Receives \$75,000 Grant Award

The Foundation received \$75,000 from the Jefferson Foundation from a second-round 2022 application submitted in December 2022. The grant award will be used to purchase nursing simulators to support the College's healthcare occupational programs.

Foundation Sponsors Student Tour of Production Castings

In April, Production Castings, Inc., in High Ridge invited the high school students in the Metal Fabrication and Precision Machining Technology classes on a thorough tour of its manufacturing operations. Production Castings is a cutting edge aluminum and zinc part supplier, and the students received an amazing experience watching the output from a local company.

Productions Castings is led by Al Loeffelman, former Board Director of the Foundation. Al pledged \$50,000 in 2021 to resource the Precision Machining Technology department, as well as a \$5,000 personal pledge from he and his wife, JoAnn Loeffelman.



AVNET

- The Avnet machines were the first die cast machines acquired by Production Castings.
- There are (5) Avnet machines in the zinc die cast department.
- One die cast operator runs and maintains all (5) machines
- The Avnet machines produce 400 to 600 cycles per hour.
- These machines can run castings up to 12 ounces in size.

JOIN US!



September 29, 2023

CRYSTAL HIGHLANDS GOLF COURSE

- FESTUS, MO -



Proceeds benefit
Jefferson College Athletics
and direct student support.

*We look forward to
having you join us!*

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May 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1  Student Art Exhibit Begins <i>FA - Theatre Lobby</i>	2 60th Anniversary Birthday Break <i>11 AM SC - Lower Lv</i> Celebration of Creative Works <i>3 PM FA - Theatre</i>	3	4 E-Cycling <i>11 AM - 1 PM Yellow Lot</i> Honors Recognition Ceremony <i>6 PM FH - Gym</i>	5	6
7  Lunar Eclipse Event <i>7 PM Observatory</i>	8	9 Career Closet Clean-Out <i>10 AM CTE 114</i>  Wind Ensemble Concert <i>7:30 PM FA - Theatre</i>	10 Career Closet Clean-Out <i>10 AM CTE 114</i>	11 Board of Trustees Meeting <i>5:30 PM Admin Board Room & GoogleMeet</i>	12	13
14  Choir Concert <i>3 PM FA - Theatre</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20  Commencement <i>10 AM & 1 PM FH - Gym</i> RN Pinning Ceremony <i>11:30 AM FA - Theatre</i>
21	22  Wellness Van - Jefferson County Health Dept <i>9 AM - 4 PM Yellow Parking Lot</i>	23  Wellness Van - Jefferson County Health Dept <i>9 AM - 4 PM Yellow Parking Lot</i>	24	25 Paramedic Graduation <i>6 PM FH - Gym</i>	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day <i>Campus Closed</i>	30	31	1  AEL Recognition Ceremony <i>6 PM SC - Lower Level</i>	2	3