



Clackamas Community College

NEWS AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION INFORMATION FROM CLACKAMAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE • SPRING 2025



Career Technical Education Showcase

*Explore state-of-the-art technology
and exciting career paths at CCC!*

Clackamas Community College is
hosting its annual Career
Technical Education Showcase
on the Oregon City campus
April 8, 3:30–6:30 p.m.
The event is free and
open to the public.

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3 COMPOSE - CCC's annual creative writing mini-conference will feature New York Times best-selling author Stephen Graham Jones as its keynote speaker.



4 MARATHON MISSION - CCC President Dr. Tim Cook plans to run 1,500 miles to all 17 community colleges this summer to raise awareness and funds for student basic needs.



Showcase: Explore career technical programs at CCC

IMPORTANT DATES
WINTER TERM 2025



Want more information about events at Clackamas Community College?

Sign up for our monthly newsletter at www.clackamas.edu/community-member.

STUDENTS / STAFF

Spring term registration begins Feb. 24
Term begins March 31
Commencement June 13
Term ends June 14

HOLIDAYS / CAMPUS CLOSURES

Memorial Day May 26

THEATER EVENTS

Winter mainstage Feb. 27-March 9
An evening of one-act plays March 4, 5, 7, 8
Spring mainstage May 22-June 1
Student Performance Showcase May 27, 28, 30, 31
For upcoming theater events, visit www.clackamas.edu/theatre

MUSIC EVENTS

District 13 solo/ensemble contest... March 8
Vocal ensemble concert March 9
Wind ensemble concert March 10
Concert band contest March 11
Vocal jazz festival March 13
Instrumental jazz festival March 14-15
Contemporary music ensemble and songwriter concert March 19
Music Department scholarship auditions April 5
Garage Band competition April 18
Concert in the quad May 8
For upcoming music events, visit www.clackamas.edu/music-events.

ART EVENTS

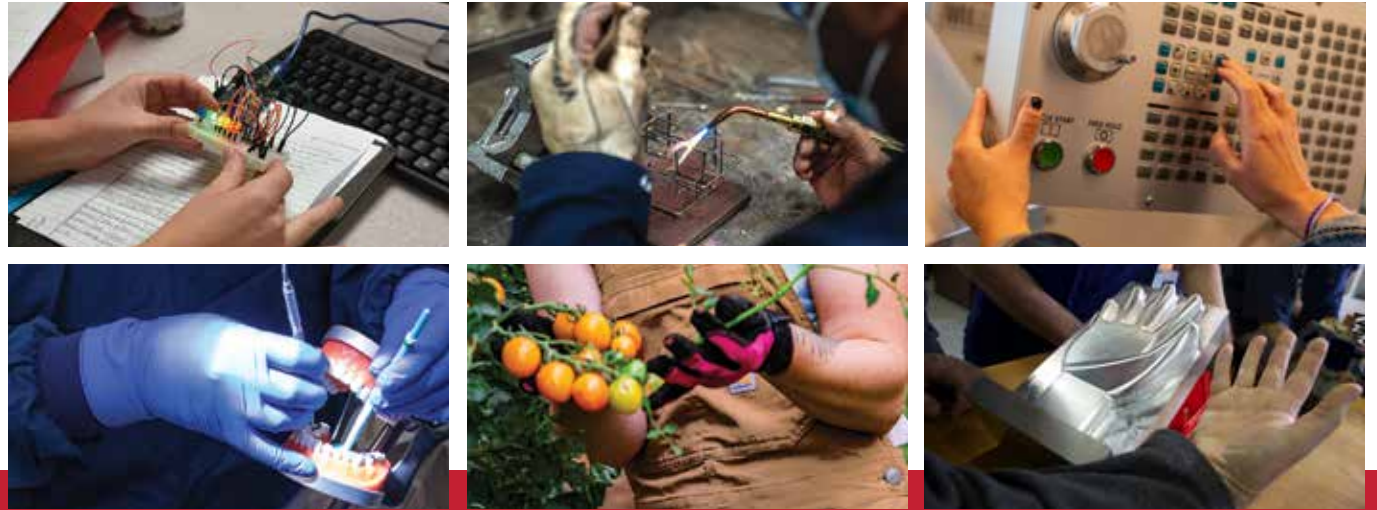
Winter art exhibit through March 9
For upcoming art events, visit www.clackamas.edu/art-galleries.

OTHER EVENTS

Black Excellence event Feb. 18
CTE Showcase April 8
Horticulture plant sale May 9
Summer Connections June 6
Latino Festival June 7

ATHLETICS

For upcoming athletic events, visit clackamascougars.com.



SAVE THE DATE! April 8, 3:30–6:30 p.m.

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The community is invited to learn about exciting CTE programs like manufacturing, health care, welding and automotive technology. Our programs leverage 21st-century technology to help students develop technical skills, professional expertise and knowledge essential for thriving in high-demand, high-wage careers.

Get ready for a dynamic, hands-on showcase experience!

What to expect

- Interactive showcase: Dive into hands-on demonstrations, activities and displays.
- Informational booths: Explore career options, discover educational resources and find your path to success.

You could win one of 25 free tuition waivers, each covering up to four credits at CCC! A \$504 value.

Register today!
Scan the QR code on page 1 or visit www.clackamas.edu/cte.

- Meet CCC instructors: Instructors will be available to discuss programs and answer questions.
- Financial aid information and tuition waivers: Discover ways to fund your education, including scholarships and grants.
- Networking opportunities: Discuss your educational goals and career options with industry professionals.

Featured programs

- Apprenticeship
- Auto body/collision repair and refinishing technology
- Automotive service technology
- Business
- Computer science
- Digital media communications
- Education
- Electronics engineering technology
- Health sciences
- Horticulture
- Human services
- Industrial maintenance technology
- Machine tool technology/Computer-aided manufacturing
- Renewable energy technology
- Water and environmental technology
- Welding
- Wildland fire

Scholarships make a lasting impact

Last year, the CCC Foundation provided more than \$1,000,000 in scholarship awards to new and returning students.

Students are often surprised to learn how many qualify for additional support through a scholarship. On average, one in three scholarship applicants receive an award. Most of our scholarships only require students to maintain a 2.0 GPA, with a few requiring a 2.5 or 3.0 GPA. Scholarships can open life-changing academic and career opportunities for students!

There are more than 200 scholarships available with a single application, including scholarships for:

- Academic honors
- Veterans and members of military families
- First in family to attend college
- Single parents
- Transfer and career technical education students
- Training for specific careers
- Students experiencing financial need
- Adult learners

Apply today!

Scholarship applications are open now through April 22. For more information, scan the QR code or visit www.clackamas.edu/scholarships.

Interested in establishing a scholarship or supporting an existing fund?

Contact Haley Stupasky, director of college advancement, at haley.stupasky@clackamas.edu.



“I’m a father of two and I hope to show my kids that it is possible to achieve your goals no matter how difficult. You’re never too old to get a degree.”

- Future CCC students graduating from a district high school
- And more!

CCC is one of the most affordable community colleges in the Portland metro area. Even though CCC is more affordable than most, financial access to higher education has become increasingly difficult, and more students than ever are applying for financial aid.

Explore the art of writing at Compose 2025

featuring Stephen Graham Jones

Compose, CCC's annual creative writing mini-conference, will be held Saturday, May 17, on our Oregon City campus. We're thrilled to have as our 2025 keynote speaker **Stephen Graham Jones**, the New York Times bestselling author of nearly 40 novels, short story collections, novellas and comic books, including "The Only Good Indians," "My Heart is a Chainsaw," "Mongrels," "Earthdivers" and "I was a Teenage Slasher."

Jones is not only one of the most prolific authors in publishing but also among its most decorated. He is a National Endowment for the Arts recipient and has won a wide range of awards for his fiction and graphic novels. He is the Ivena Baldwin Professor of English at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Jones will be joined at Compose by a roster of creatives leading workshops in fiction, poetry and more. Keep an eye on www.clackamas.edu/compose for full conference and registration information.

Clackamas Community College is located at 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City. For more information about the college's English programs visit www.clackamas.edu/english-department.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

At Clackamas Community College, we are committed to supporting our students beyond academics. We recognize that many of our students face challenges in meeting their basic needs, which can create barriers to achieving their educational goals.

Basic needs — such as housing, food and access to child care — are essential for student success. That's why CCC offers a variety of resources to help students navigate these challenges and stay focused on their education.

At our food pantries, students can access dry goods, meat, produce, refrigerated and frozen items, as well as hygiene products. Our student services team provides connections to housing assistance, child care resources and transportation solutions. Additionally, our counseling department is available to support students' mental health and well-being.

We know meeting basic needs isn't just about addressing immediate concerns — it's about creating an environment where every student feels supported, valued and empowered to thrive.

I encourage anyone in need to reach out to these services or speak with our dedicated staff, who are here to help. Together, we can break down barriers and ensure every student has the tools and support to succeed. For more information about student resources, visit www.clackamas.edu/student-resources. To donate to help support student basic needs, visit give.clackamas.edu.

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Tim S. Cook

Dr. Tim Cook
CCC President

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Please register directly through the Community Education partner hosting the class you would like to attend.

Our community partners provide programming for all ages!

Clackamas Community College's Community Education Department is entering a new chapter as we welcome a new Community Education Coordinator.

With a desire for growth, we are committed to expanding and diversifying our programming to better serve the needs and interests of our local community.

As we envision the future of Community Education, we recognize that input from community members is essential to shaping the direction of our offerings.

We are excited to hear from individuals about the programs they would like to see, the skills they want to develop and the opportunities they feel would benefit the broader community.

Together with our community partners, we can create a vibrant and inclusive educational experience that reflects the dynamic needs of those we serve. To provide feedback, scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/community-edu-survey to complete the anonymous survey!



GLADSTONE

Gladstone Community School
503-650-2570
www.clackamas.edu/gladstone

CANBY

Bridging Cultures | 503-592-3781
www.bridgingculturescanby.org

WILSONVILLE

West Linn/Wilsonville Family Empowerment Center
503-673-7690 | www.wlww.k12.or.us/domain/3726

Wilsonville Parks and Recreation
503-783-PLAY
www.wilsonvilleparksandrec.com/parksrec

WEST LINN

West Linn Parks and Recreation
503-557-4700
<https://westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec>

MILWAUKIE

Milwaukie Community Center
503-794-8092 | www.ncprd.com

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation
503-794-8080, ext. 0 | www.ncprd.com

OREGON CITY

Oregon City Community Education
503-785-8520
<https://ocsd62occe.org>

Oregon City Swimming Pool
503-657-8273
www.oregoncity.org/904/Aquatics

Pioneer Community Center
503-657-8287
www.oregoncity.org/499/Pioneer-Community-Center

TEAM OREGON

Motorcycle/Scooter Safety Training
800-545-9944 | <https://team-oregon.org>

Running for OREGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

Marathon mission: 1,500 miles, 17 colleges, 50 days, 1 goal



Clackamas Community College President Dr. Tim Cook is an avid runner. For the past several years, he has been working

toward a goal of running a marathon in every U.S. state, sometimes running marathons on back-to-back days.

Today, he has a new goal – to run to every community college in the state of Oregon nonstop. This summer he will spend his vacation time running more than 1,500 miles to 17 community colleges over 50 days. Averaging 32 miles per day, President Cook aims to raise awareness about the challenges faced by students and to advocate for increased state funding to support their basic needs.

Oregon's community colleges serve approximately 200,000 students, accounting for 52% of all public and private higher education enrollments in the state. Many of these students encounter significant obstacles, including housing and food insecurity, lack of child care and transportation issues.

Through this run, President Cook seeks to highlight these challenges and generate support to address them.

A survey from The Hope Center highlights the pressing needs of Oregon's community college students:

- **Food insecurity:** Approximately 41% of students reported experiencing food insecurity within the previous 30 days.
 - **Housing insecurity:** About 52% of students faced housing insecurity in the past year, which includes difficulties such as affording rent, utilities or the need to move frequently.
 - **Homelessness:** Nearly 20% of students experienced homelessness in the past year, indicating a lack of stable and safe housing.
- The funds raised during the **Running for Oregon Community College Students (ROCCS)** campaign will be distributed to each community college, directly supporting students' essential needs.

"As a first-generation college student, I understand the transformative power of education. My lifelong passion has been to help students achieve their dreams by removing the barriers that stand in their way," President Cook said. "Through ROCCS, I aim to shed light on the significant challenges our students face, rally support to address these critical needs and raise awareness of the valuable role community colleges play in our state."

To sponsor, donate or learn more about the run, visit www.clackamas.edu/ROCCS.

Your path to success starts here

Achieving success in college can take more than just effort in the classroom. A supportive college community can make a difference in helping students to the finish line. CCC is here to guide students throughout their journeys – and celebrate their successes every step of the way.

A new online hub for student resources is one of the ways CCC is working to make being a student easier. This is one-stop shop helps students find what they need to succeed, including:

- Financial support
- Tutoring
- Counseling
- Events and clubs
- Tech help
- Jobs and careers
- Basic needs
- Resources for Spanish speakers

Support can mean on-site child care allowing a student parent to attend class. It can be helping a student secure funding after a sudden financial hardship. A loaner laptop can help bridge the technology access divide, while the college's food pantry can meet a student's basic needs so they can focus on classes.

When classes get tough, CCC tutors help students rise to the challenge. Free counseling and mental health care is available to help students keep a healthy balance in their lives while they pursue their education. Students can get inspiration and support from peers by getting involved with clubs and activities at the college.

Wherever a student is on their journey, CCC is here to help them confidently take the next step. Many CCC students are the first in their families to attend college. Some students are returning to college later in life after years or decades away. Every student at the college has already taken a courageous leap to pursue their education and their dreams. CCC is dedicated to helping them get there.

Learn more about the new student resource webpage, which provides essential tools, academic support and services for students at CCC by scanning the QR code or visiting www.clackamas.edu/student-resources.

