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The Award-Winning DCC KNIGHTLY NEWS • December 2023

HO HO HO,
IT'S DECEMBER TIME!

**Knightly
News** 
AT DANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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Find Your
Passion
and
Purpose



ENROLL FOR
Spring Classes

Registration starts November 1, 2023!

Go to: danville.edu/nextsteps to get started!

Walk In Wednesdays

for new and returning students!
November 27 - December 20, 2023!

Register for Classes!

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Admissions Wyatt Room 108
Advising Wyatt Room 101

Questions? Email

admissions@danville.edu

Take advantage of this
opportunity to learn more
about DCC and get started
in your career pathway.





Danville Community College Hosts Second Annual "All Citizens Job and Resource Fair"

With 108 employers and resource providers in attendance, the 2023 'All Citizens Job and Resource Fair' was a resounding success. More than 600 community members took advantage of the fair on November 1 at the Danville Community Market.

Many employers and resource providers saw great success from the event. Danville Public Schools were able to fill many open positions with job seekers who attended the fair. Additionally, Rebecca Burris, Lead Teacher for Pittsylvania County Adult education said she has scheduled many people she met at the Job and Resource Fair for GED services. Ms. Burris commended DCC for their hard work and said her time was well spent at the fair. This same sentiment has been repeated throughout our community.

Barry Mayo, recruiter for TARE said, "This is what sets this event apart from other job fairs. The 'All Citizens Job and Resource Fair' brings community resource providers and employers together and offers a 'one-stop shop' for individuals looking to be connected to employment and resources in our community."



JOIN US FOR

Homemade Stew!

Shields Student Center:

**Stew & Ugly Holiday
Sweaters**

**Tuesday, Dec. 5
11 am to 1:30 pm**



**GET COZY WITH US & PUT
ON YOUR UGLIEST
HOLIDAY SWEATER!**



**SOVAH
BLOODMOBILE
WILL BE
ON-SITE AT THE
STUDENT CENTER
FROM
9 AM TO 2 PM**

**COME BY AND
DONATE!**



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Celebrate the Holidays with DCC Stew, Ugly Holiday Sweaters & a Blood Donation Drive!

Join us for lunch on **Tuesday, December 5** for some homemade stew from **11:00 am to 1:30 pm** at the **Student Center**.

Wear your ***Ugliest Holiday Sweater*** to this event!!

Donate blood with SOVAH Bloodmobile on **Tuesday, December 5** at **9 am to 2 pm** at

EXAM JAM



**STRESSED OUT OVER
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YOUR ANSWERS AT EXAM
JAM!**



**December 6-14, 2023 at the Tutoring
Center at the LRC. Tutoring for all
subjects!**

**Open Mon-Thu 8am-7pm, Fri 8am-12pm,
Sun 1pm-5pm**

(snacks provided)

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Relieve some stress during exam week!

PET CUDDLE TIME

December 12, 2023
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Shields Student Center



**Come and cuddle
a furry friend!**



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TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE

Toys for Tots accepts new, unwrapped toys for children 12 and under.

The donation box is located in the Shields Student Center.
All donated toys will be picked up on December 15, 2023.



In need of a toy for your child
this Christmas? Scan the QR
code to fill out a form.

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DCC's Toys for Tots Campaign

DCC Student Activities is hosting a Toys for Tots Drive at the Shields Student Center. Students and employees are invited to donate. Toys for Tots accepts new, unwrapped toys for children aged 12 and under. **All donated toys are due to the Shields Student Center by Thursday, December 14.**

DCC students in need may also apply for their own children to receive toys by completing this form: [CLICK HERE](#)

There will be a box at the Shields Student Center that will be closely monitored.



The DCC Bookstore Presents "Ace The Mighty Conquers Knight School" Children's Book!

Want to inspire your children or other young ones to beat the odds, rise to challenges and accomplish great things? The book 'Ace The Mighty Conquers Knight School' is the perfect holiday gift from the Castle Bookstore to motivate them! Authored by our very own Faith O'Neil and Dr. Jerry Wallace, it features Dr. Wallace's adorable pup, Ace, and his determination to reach his goals. Signed copies (Ace has signed too!) are available this holiday season. It's sure to delight children and adults alike.



Student Services Welcomes Coordinator of Enrollment Services/ Registrar

DCC Student Services is excited to welcome Fredrick Betts as our Coordinator of Enrollment Services / Registrar!

Mr. Betts brings a wealth of experience and a strong commitment to education, with a genuine passion for empowering students in both their academic and personal journeys.

Mr. Betts educational background entails earning an Associate of Applied Science degree from Danville Community College in of May 2012, a Bachelor of Applied Science with a minor in Leadership from Averett University in May 2020, and a Masters in Educational Leadership in August 2023. Professionally Mr. Betts served as the Assistant Director of Retention and Persistence at Averett University from 2018 to 2023, and a CTE Career Coach and Success Coach from 2015 to 2018 at Danville Community college. This industry experience equips him with a deep understanding of the diverse challenges that students often encounter and a way to seek viable solutions. As a family man with three children and a love for the outdoors, Mr. Betts brings a well-rounded

perspective to his role.

Taking on the position of the Coordinator of Enrollment Services, Mr. Betts will be responsible for overseeing a wide range of critical functions for the college, including admissions, registration, student records, degree audit, new student orientation and the overall support of enrollment services. He will be working closely with our faculty and staff to ensure a seamless and supportive experience for our students from the first point of contact through graduation.

Help us welcome Mr. Betts to DCC!

Cathy Pulliam
Dean of Student Services



SOAR Above Test Anxiety

The LRC is committed to helping you soar. Assessing your skill level as well as your emotional and mental well-being is important to ensure your success.

You may be someone who experiences test anxiety, but there are practical ways to help you manage those feelings. Let us help! Stop by the [Tutoring Center](#) to discuss study skills and test anxiety or contact [TimelyCare Counseling Services](#), a free 24 hour counseling service to help you overcome obstacles that may interfere with your wellbeing or academic success.

Strategies to manage test anxiety:

1. Approach the exam with confidence.
2. Be well prepared and include as much self-testing in your review as possible.
3. Focus on healthy eating, exercise and rest habits prior to testing.

4. Simulate the exam to better manage test anxiety.
5. Challenge negative thoughts.
6. Get a good night's sleep.
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On Test Day:

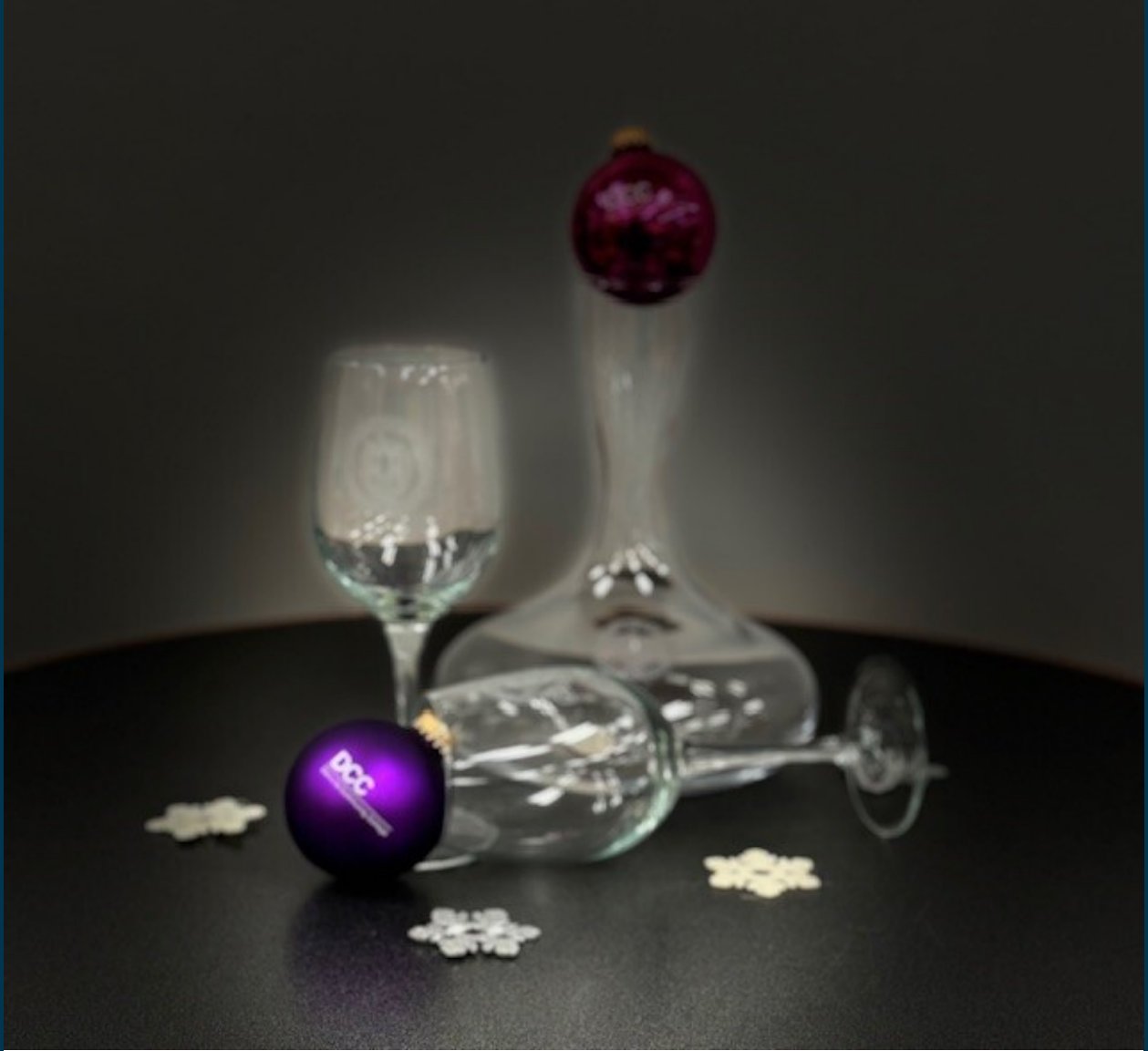
1. Be on time.
2. Go to the bathroom prior to being seated.
3. Take a break if exam permits.
4. Anticipate some physical distress symptoms, such as headaches, nausea, feelings of hot or too cold, etc. Remain calm and take deep breaths until it passes.
5. Sit in a location where you will be less distracted.
6. Bring a small snack to replenish energy and help take your mind off of your anxiety.

During the Exam:

1. Read the directions and entire questions carefully.
2. Take a minute to organize your ideas.
3. If you feel very anxious in the test, change positions to help you relax. Stretch your arms and legs and take a few slow deep breaths to relax. Then return where you left off.
4. Manage your time effectively. Many exams include a countdown timer.
5. Focus on the present, not the past or future or what other students are doing.
6. If the exam is more difficult than you anticipated, remain positive and do your best to achieve the goal of a passing grade.
7. Stay focused when others finish early. There's no reward for finishing first.
8. Proofread when finished.

After the Exam:

1. Treat yourself. Go to see a movie with a friend, grab a special drink or your favorite meal.
 2. Make a list of which strategies worked, no matter how small, as they are building blocks to success.
 3. Create a specific plan for improvement (e.g. tutoring, a study group, or workshops on the subject area).
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Did you hear?! The DCC Bookstore has Holiday Gifts!

Did you know . . .

The Bookstore has beautiful Christmas ornaments and a variety of elegant glassware to widen your options for the holidays. Stop by and see for yourself.



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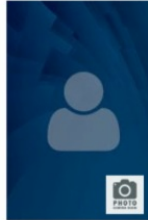
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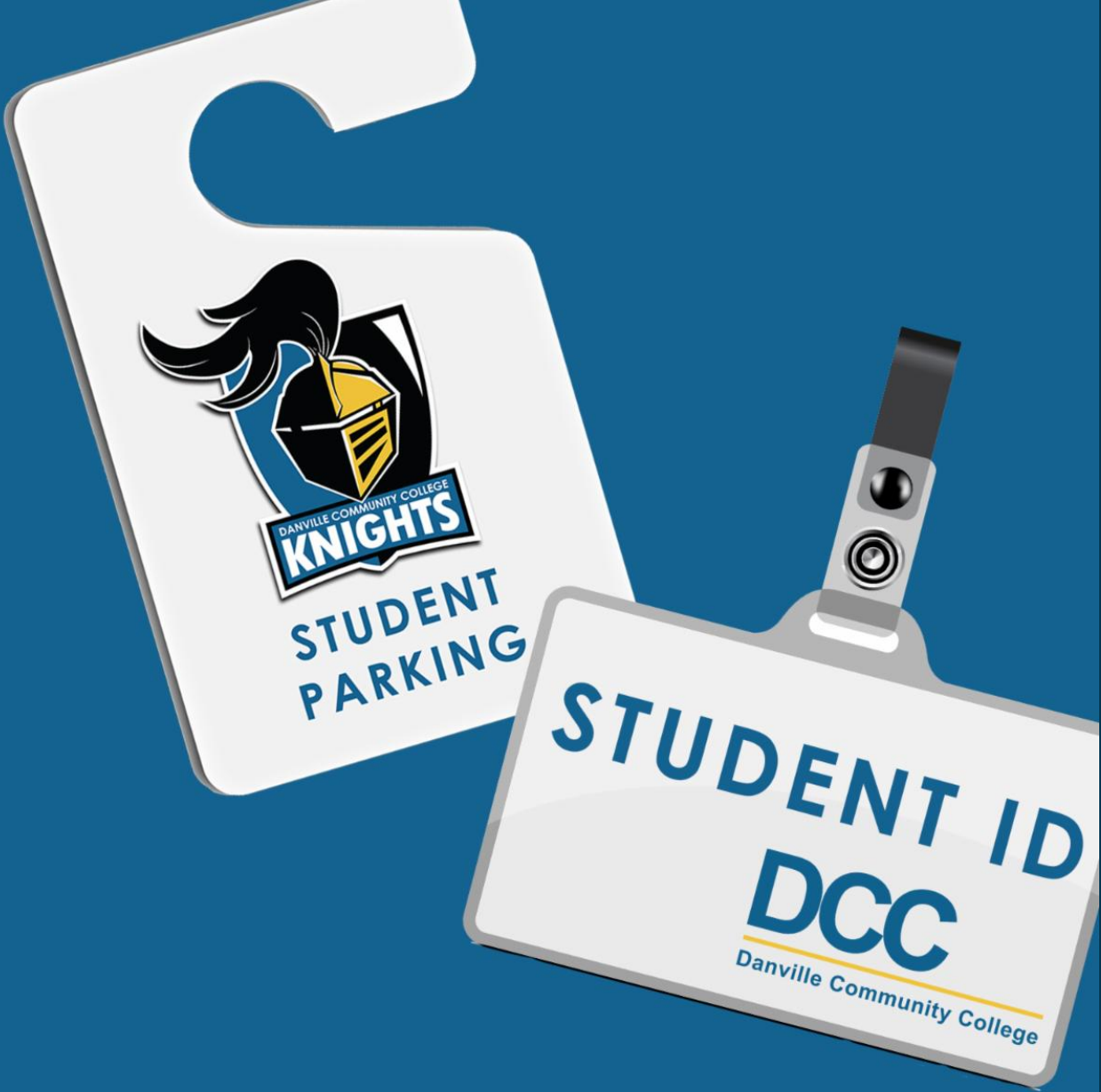
Location: Wyatt 101
Email: advising@danville.edu
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Webpage: danville.edu/advising-center

Meet the Academic Advising Team!

At DCC, the primary goal of academic advising is to foster student success by helping students become effective agents for their own lifelong learning and personal development through informed planning and decision making. To accomplish this goal, we start by ensuring that each program-placed student is assigned an academic advisor. Visit our webpage for more information about DCC's Advising Model.

Never hesitate to contact an academic advisor.

If you need help, reach out to us at advising@danville.edu or call (434) 797-8420.



Need a Student ID or Parking Decal?

Location: Student Center
Tuesday & Wednesday
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

LOCATED IN WYATT 108

OPEN
MONDAY-
FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



KNIGHT'S PANTRY

Danville Community College's Knight's Pantry is open to all currently enrolled students.

If you are unable to stop by during these hours, please contact a coach from the Student Success Program to access food resources.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, EMAIL [SUCCESSCOACH@DANVILLE.EDU](mailto:successcoach@danville.edu)



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Please participate in the
One Great Thing Campaign



Scan to Participate!



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TELL US 'ONE GREAT THING'!

We're kicking off an exciting new campaign that focuses on telling our community "One Great Thing" about DCC. As a student, you are the expert who knows why DCC is a great place to learn and have fun! Please use the link below or scan the QR code to submit your "One Great Thing" about DCC using the form.

If selected, your quote and name may be used on one (or more!) of our many media channels.

Please be sure to phrase your quote beginning with, "One great thing about DCC is...." and complete the sentence with your favorite thing about our college.

[Fill out the form!](#)



Join the Student Government Association Today!

Get Involved and Serve!

Do you have school spirit? Are you a passionate student? Let's carry out SGA's mission through commitment activity! Join the SGA today by completing a Commitment Application.

For questions, please contact Angela Webb, angela.webb@danville.edu
or at **(434) 797-8588**.

Location: Student Center Room 104.



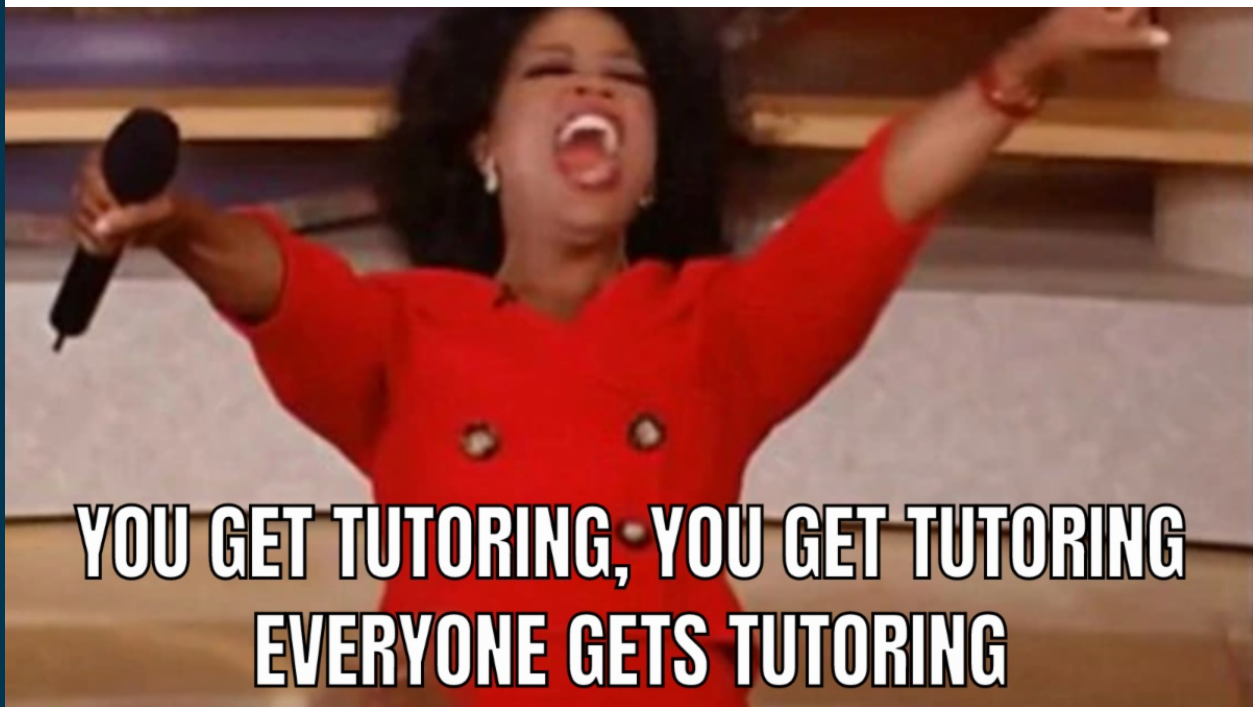
PHI THETA KAPPA
HONOR SOCIETY

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society News

Phi Theta Kappa will hold **monthly** meetings on the **1st & 3rd Thursday** of each month in **Temple 109**.

The Fall semester's last meeting will occur on **Thursday, December 7 2023**, in **Temple 109** at **11:00 AM**.

Anyone who is interested in joining or learning more about Phi Theta Kappa is welcome to attend



**Don't FALL behind -
The Tutoring Center is here to help!**

Make an appointment through Navigate or call the Tutoring Center at 434-797-6432.

Hours for Fall 2023 Semester

Mon-Thu 8 AM to 7 PM

Friday 8 AM to 12 PM

Drop-In Times:

Monday and Wednesday

8 AM-12 PM

Tuesday and Thursday

12 PM - 7 PM

MATH LAB

Monday -Thursday

9 AM - 5 PM

Now's the Time...

- ▶ **Take Care of You**
Get started with self-care through yoga and meditation
- ▶ **Engage With Others**
Share in Peer Community
- ▶ **Learn How to Help**
Earn your "Be There Certificate"
A free online mental health course created by Jack.org
In partnership with Born This Way Foundation.
Discover all the health and well-being resources available 24/7 in TimelyCare!



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Download the TimelyCare App Today!



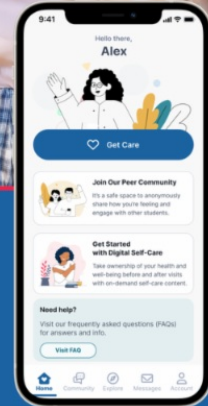
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Fall 2023 Schedule Learning Resource Center

Mon – Thu 8:00 am – 8:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am - Noon
Saturday CLOSED
Sunday 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Holidays and Special Hours:

The LRC will be closed whenever the college is closed.
Other special hours will be posted as needed.

Dec 22 – Dec 31 Closed (Christmas Break)



Exam Appointments Are Filling Up...SCHEDULE NOW!

The Testing Center is open for computer and paper and pencil testing:

Monday–Thursday: 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Friday: 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Sunday: 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M

When Taking An Exam On A Computer;

- Bring Your Username and Password (including those stored on your laptop)
- Be prepared to reset your password if necessary

Be prepared:

- Bring A Picture Id
- A driver's license, non-operating identification license or Learners Permit
- College ID
- A United States Military ID card (active duty, reserve, and retired)
- A United States passport

Remember:

- Don't Forget To Schedule Your Paper And Pencil Exam

- Put Exam Appointment On Your Calendar
- Discuss Testing Accommodations With Your Instructor

If You Have Not Started To Study – Start Studying And Get A Tutor ASAP

Note: all testing must be completed 15 minutes before closing.

To reserve a testing seat go to our New Online Appointment Scheduler (<https://danville.libcal.com/reserve/testing/seats>), click the **button** or you can email: testingcenter@danville.edu or call **434-797-8404**

RESERVE TESTING SEAT NOW

WORK STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS



Would you like to get paid for working on the DCC Campus for 12-15 hours a week?

If you are currently receiving the Federal Pell Grant and are enrolled in at least 6 credits that are eligible for financial aid, we may have a job for you!

**Stop by the Financial Aid Office (Wyatt 111) to complete an application.
Please bring a current resume if available.**

Sign Up for DCC Alert

The safety of our students is at the forefront of our minds as we strive to give you the best experience possible during your time at the college.

To that end, the college would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our policies regarding on-campus emergencies and weather-related closures or delays.

In order to ensure you have the most up-to-date information available, please take a moment to sign up for **DCC Alert**. This is the college's first line of communication to let you know when something has happened that affects you such as a closing due to a weather event.

You can also keep up with information about the college on **DCC's Facebook page**: www.facebook.com/dccpr



Upcoming Dates

Homemade Stew & Ugly Holiday Sweater Event | **December 5**

Exam Jam | **December 6-14**

Phi Theta Kappa Last Fall Semester Meeting | **December 7**

Pet Cuddle Time Event | **December 12**

Toys for Tots due | **December 14**

Dec 23 – January 1 | College Closed (Christmas Break)

Calendar

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