

The Award-Winning DCC KNIGHTLY NEWS • November 2024





Election Day - No Classes, Go Vote!

November 5, 2024 is Election Day! Make sure you vote. No classes will be held.



November 6, 2024

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Discover the DCC Difference!

Discover all that Danville Community College has to offer and get a firsthand look at our state-of-theart facilities, learn about academic programs, and see what it's like to be a part of the DCC community.

Explore the campus, meet our friendly staff, and get answers to any questions you may have about starting your educational journey.

RSVP by emailing admissions@danville.edu.



Wyatt 108 1008 South Main Street Danville, VA 24541



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HEALTH SCIENCES PROGRAM FAIR



Friday, Nov. 8



Foundation Hall



10 am to 12 pm (Check-in starts at 9:30 am)

At the Health Sciences Program Fair, students can connect with program leads and/or current students in some of the area's most popular healthcare programs. The fair is a wonderful opportunity to learn about program options in health sciences, the requirements of these programs, and the selective admissions process. If you are considering a career in healthcare, then this is an event you will not want to miss.

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ALL CITIZENS JOB AND RESOURCE FAIR

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Hosted by Danville Community College TARE Program & Danville/Pittsylvania County Region Community Agencies



NOVEMBER 14, 2024



10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Danville Community Market 629 Craghead Street Danville, VA 24541



Scan to Register!

The Job & Resource Fair is a FREE for ALL event!

This is open to any community member in the Danville region who may be seeking employment or who wish to explore the variety of community services available in our area.

For more information, please visit danville.edu/jobfair.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR? Contact Barry Mayo at 434-797-8429 IN RECOGNITION OF

DEEP DIVE INTO APPRENTICESHIP

In this information session, we will take a deep dive into what is an apprentice and what the apprenticeship program look like.

YOU WILL ALSO:

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- Hear from the President, Vice President of Workforce Services, Director of Workforce Services, and Apprenticeship Coordinator
- Hear from current apprentice in a program
- Hear from Donna Carvana, State Director for VA Works
 - KTL Restorations signing with our next apprenticeship

NOVEMBER 20, 2024

10:00 A.M. | SHIELDS STUDENT CENTER



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# JOIN US FOR FIRST-GEN DAY!

In honor of the signing of the Higher Education Act of 1965 that expanded college opportunities for first-generation and low-income students, DCC and the TRIO EOC program recognizes First Gen Day!

#### NOVEMBER 21, 2024 11:00 A.M. STUDENT CENTER

There will be a panel discussion of current and past first-generation students who will speak about their college experiences and their career journey as a first-generation college student.

There will be light refreshments afterwards.

A first generation college student is an individual whereas both parents did not complete a baccalaureate (4-year) degree.



# Workforce Services Receives Recognition and Continued Community Engagement

Workforce Services has continued to re-engage with Businesses and Industries and was recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation for its continued partnership with Danville Public Schools.



# TRIO EOC College Awareness Night at Halifax County High School

Education Specialist, Doreen Coleman, greets Halifax County seniors and family members as Education Specialist, Camille Younger delivers useful information regarding how to strategically choose and apply to potential colleges. In addition, FSA ID registration assistance was given to all in attendance.

# PUMPKIN PAINTING CONTEST\*

# MOST CREATIVE William Betancourt-Molina

# **SPOOKIEST** Tikiiya Thomas



No entries identified for Most School Spirit

# **Pumpkin Painting Contest Winners**

Congratulations to the winners of our pumpkin painting contest! If you won and haven't picked up your prize, stop by Wyatt 108.



# **Student Government Association**

VCCS Student Leadership Conference



The first weekend of October, DCC SGA students and staff had the opportunity to attend a variety of workshops and panels to develop their leadership abilities at the VCCS Student Leadership Conference in Roanoke, VA. They were fantastic representatives for DCC!

Interested in Joining the Student Government Association?

The SGA meets on the first Thursday of every month at 11am in the Shields Student

#### Center.

All students are welcome and are encouraged to join!

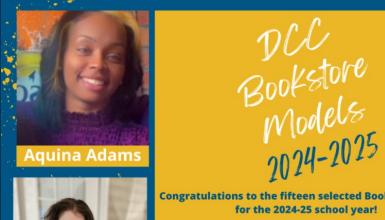


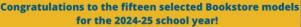
## Phi Theta Kappa officers of 2024-2025

Introducing Phi Theta Kappa's 2024-2025 leadership team! They've hit the ground running, kicking off the year by participating in T.E.A.C.H Club's annual Trunk or Treat event. Here's to a year full of success and engagement!

#### (Left to Right)

Abby Chism VP of Service and Fellowship Koda Thompson VP of Scholarship Lydia Davis VP of Leadership Gianluca Pacello President Kiara Underdue Reporting Officer





Look for these fresh, friendly faces as they model **Bookstore apparel, feature merchandise and accessories** on the Bookstore website, in DCC social media and in future editions of the Knightly News.

Thanks to all who submitted entries.



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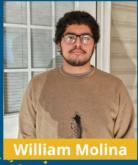
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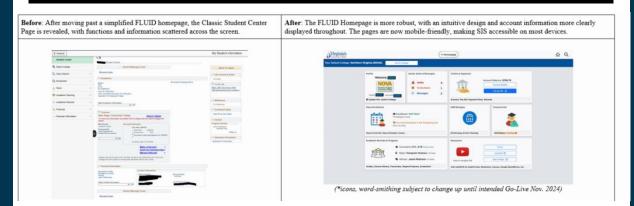
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# **SIS FLUID Student Homepage**

The student experience in SIS will be significantly updated with a new Student Homepage (see images below) coming next month – target date of 11/11/2024. This change will eliminate the current Student Center page where students are used to going for most SIS related transactions – enrollment, financial aid, academic progress, etc.



DANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION HALL 1001 NEATHERY LANE

# Looking to get your teeth cleaned or examined? Look no further! DCC's Dental Hygiene Students have you covered!

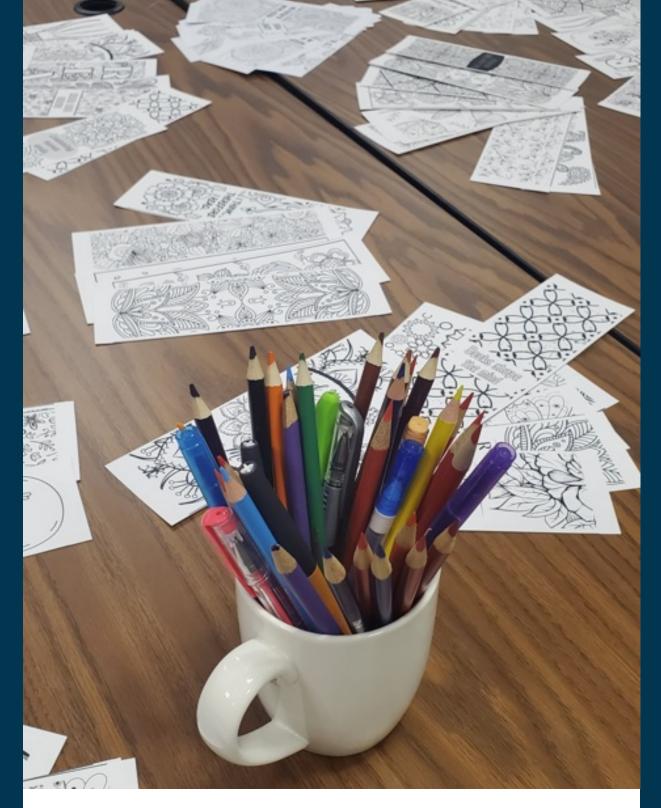
Danville Community College (DCC) dental hygiene students are searching for patients.

Under the supervision of registered dental hygienists, students provide free dental exams, X-rays, and cleanings for patients in the dental hygiene clinic. Patients also receive education on ways to improve and maintain good oral and overall health.

Students are currently looking for volunteers to participate and receive these complementary services. All patients are screened for health conditions before appointments are scheduled to ensure the safety of everyone involved. Completion of care usually consists of three to six appointments.

DCC is equipped with a state-of-the-art dental clinic that looks and functions much like a dental office. Located on the corner of South Main Street and Kemper Road in Foundation Hall on the DCC Campus, the dental clinic allows dental hygiene students to practice their skills in a hands-on setting.

# Individuals who are interested may call the clinic at 434.797.8424 and leave a message. A student will return the call to schedule an appointment.



## **Relax and Get Creative at the Library!**

Take a break between classes and relax with our new coloring bookmarks available in the Library! These creative bookmarks are designed to provide a calming and enjoyable activity during your downtime. Grab one from our display, find a cozy spot in the Library, and let your creativity take over. Coloring can be a great way to destress and refresh your mind. Once you're done, use your beautifully decorated bookmark to keep track of your reading. Visit the Library today to pick up a coloring bookmark and enjoy a moment of relaxation!

# Don't "Fall" Behind in Your Classes!

Free tutoring is available for appointments and drop-in times in the Tutoring Center and Math Lab. Sign up or come by today and get ahead of the game!

#### **Tutoring Center Hours**

Monday – Thursday 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Fridays 8 A.M. to 12 P.M.

(Drop-in Times): Monday and Wednesday 8 A.M. to 12 P.M.

Tuesday and Thursday 12 P.M. to 6 P.M.

(434-797-6432)

#### <u>Math Lab Hours</u>

No appointment needed!

Monday – Thursday

9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Fridays Closed

(434-797-6431)



# **DCC Advising Center**



Brad Prillaman Coordinator of Academic Advising Academic Affairs and Student Services Office 434-797-8554 Wyatt Building bradley.prillaman@danville.edu



Michael Howard Academic Advisor Academic Affairs and Student Services Office 434-797-8401 Wyatt Building michael.howard@danville.edu Program Focus: • Healthcare • Early Childhood Education



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- Frederick Johnson Academic Advisor Academic Affairs and Student Services Office 434-797-8561 Wyatt Building frederick.johnson@danville.edu Program Focus: • Business & Marketing • Administrative Support
- Technology Administration of Justice



Academic Advisor Academic Affairs and Student Services Office 434-797-8420 Wyatt Building advising@danville.edu Program Focus: • Career & Technical Programs

#### **ADVISING CENTER**

Location: Wyatt 101 Email: <u>advising@danville.edu</u> Phone: 434-797-8420 Webpage: danville.edu/advising-center

# Meet the Academic Advising Team!

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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: Wyatt 108 Monday - Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Other times are available by appointment.** Email ashley.yancey@danville.edu





## **Five Ways to Improve Attention**

**1: Drink More Fluids** - even mild dehydration can cause you to lose concentration. Don't wait until you feel thirsty to drink.

**2: Exercise** - Physical exercise helps your brain stay sharp. Even walking increases oxygen to your brain, and helps reduce stress.

**3: Eat a brain-boosting diet** - Just as the body needs fuel, so does the brain. A diet based on fruits, vegetables, whole grains, "healthy" fats (such as olive oil, nuts, fish) and lean protein will provide lots of health benefits, and can also improve memory.

**4: Sleep is critical to learning and memory** - Research shows that sleep is necessary for memory consolidation, with the key memory-enhancing activity occurring during the deepest stages of sleep.

**5: Keep stress in check** - Stress is one of the brain's worst enemies. Over time, chronic stress can inhibit the formation of new memories and the retrieval of old ones.

Adapted from Harvard Health Letter: July 2014, a newsletter published by Harvard Health Publications



# **Need Canvas Assistance?**

For support with Canvas, including troubleshooting and technical issues, reach out to the Canvas Help Desk at **canvas@danville.edu**.

Our team is here to assist you with any

questions or problems you may encounter while using the platform. We're committed to ensuring your online learning experience is smooth and productive.

Don't hesitate to get in touch for help!

# FALL 2024 SCHEDULE LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER

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

<u>Holidays and Special Hours</u>: The LRC will be closed whenever the college is closed. Other special hours will be posted as needed.

- September 2
- November 5
- November 27
- Nov 26 Dec 1
- Dec 24 Jan 1

Closed (Labor Day) 8am – 5pm 8am – Noon Closed (Thanksgiving) Closed (Christmas Break)



## **Testing Center Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Where Is The Testing Center Located?

The Clement Learning Resources Building, in the rear of the Library.

#### **Do I Need An Appointment?**

Yes. Make an appointment using our Online Appointment Scheduler, email: testingcenter@danville.edu or call 434-797-8404.

#### What Do I Need To Bring?

A valid (unexpired), original picture ID (not a photocopy or digital). Such as a:

- Government-issued driver's license or non-driver ID card
- Official school-produced student ID card from the school you currently attend
- Government-issued military or national identification card
- Government-issued passport
- Your Canvas username, password, and phone for Multifactor Identification for online testing.

All testers are required to turn the phone off and store it in a locker or book-bag. Note: We also offer paper and pencil tests.

Music helps me concentrate, can I use my earbuds in the testing center?

No, you cannot wear earbuds, headphones, etc. unless you have a documented accommodation.

#### Is there anything else I need to know?

- All belongings must be placed a locker, on top or below the lockers. Note: It is strongly recommended that you lock all of your belongings in your vehicle prior to testing.
- Food and drink are not allowed in the testing center.
- You may not have any electronic or recording devices at your desk, in your pockets, (or anywhere you can reach them during testing, even if they are turned off or you do not use them.
- All outside garments (i.e. coats/jackets, hats, scarves) and weather apparel (sunglasses, gloves) must be removed and placed in the area designated by the proctor, however, provisions can be made for specific religious/cultural apparel
- You may not leave the room during your test session. [Proctor must be notified, or test will be closed.]
- Monitoring software is in use.
- A snapshot can be taken of your computer screen for incident reporting.

On rare occasions, power outages, server outages, or weather problems can and do close us without warning when we least expect it. We recommend that you plan to take you tests well in advance before you need them.

If you have any additional questions, contact : testingcenter@danville.edu or call 434-797-8404



### **Download Microsoft Office 365 Today**

Enhance your productivity with Microsoft Office 365, available for free to all Danville Community College students! To download, visit office.vccs.edu. Be sure to have your MyDCC login credentials handy for a seamless setup. With Office 365, you'll have access to powerful tools like Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and more to support your academic journey.

Don't miss out—get your free copy today and start making the most of your coursework!



# **Academic Integrity:**

# Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching. -C. S. Lewis

You should always have pride in the work you do and should take ownership in your own learning! We understand that with tools like Google search, it's easy to find immediate answers to your questions. However, you are responsible for understanding the difference between using the web for help and support of your learning, versus using the web to cheat. Academic dishonesty/Cheating jeopardizes your success, your integrity and has consequences.

#### Student Expectations:

- Be honest at all times
- Actively encourage academic integrity in your friends and classmates
- Discourage any forms of cheating or dishonesty
- Inform your teacher, counselor, administrator, or someone you trust if you have a reasonable belief and/or evidence that academic dishonesty has occurred

#### Some examples of academic dishonesty are, but not limited to:

- Using unauthorized materials and/or resources
- Copying work from another student, or from the web
- Using a technological/communication tool and/or resource during an assessment
- Having anyone else but you complete any part of your coursework for you
- Using online searches to find answers to your assessment questions
- Posting answers to assessment questions online



# DCC's Testing Center Welcomes New and Returning Students:

#### A few things to think about:

- Don't let failure get you down for more than a day.
- Don't allow yourself to build an inflated ego after a success.
- Maintain a sense of humility and gratitude for each success and failure you experience.
- If your grades are not where you want, email tutoring@danville.com

#### We are 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

We are located in the Clement Learning Resources Building, in the rear of the Library.

*To make an appointment,* use our Online Scheduler: https://danville.libcal.com/reserve/testing/seats

email: testingcenter@danville.edu or call: 434-797-8404.

or *Click this button* to register for an appointment.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT



# PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

# Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society News

Phi Theta Kappa will hold **monthly** meetings.

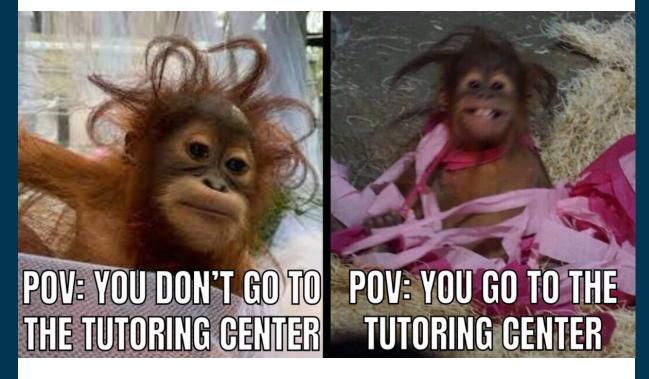
Executive meetings are on the 1st Thursday of each month.

General meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

PTK will hold its executive meeting on Thursday, 11/7/2024, at 11:00 AM. Our meeting will be held in Temple 109 (Middle room of Oliver Hall).

PTK will hold its general meeting on Thursday, 11/21/2024, at 11:00 AM.

Our meeting is open to all. Feel free to drop by and learn more about PTK.



# The Tutoring Center is here to help!

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

Hours for Spring 2024 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



# WORK STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS



Would you like to get paid for working on the DCC Campus for 10-15 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 <u>DCC Alert</u>. 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 <u>DCC's Facebook</u> page: www.facebook.com/dccpr



# **Upcoming Dates**

Spring Registration | November 1

Election Day (No Classes) | November 5

Knight for a Day | November 6

Phi Theta Kappa Executive Meeting | November 7

SGA Meeting | November 7

Health Sciences Program Fair | November 8

All Citizens Job & Resource Fair | November 14

Transfer Fair | November 11

National Apprenticeship | November 20

First Gen Day | November 21

Phi Theta Kappa General Meeting | November 21 Thanksgiving Break: College Closed Half Day (at noon) | November 27

Thanksgiving Break: College Closed | November 28



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