Over 800 Eligible to Graduate During Annual Commencement Exercises May 19

efferson College will hold the 53rd annual commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 19, in the Field House on the Hillsboro campus as a combined total of 833 students are eligible to receive associate degrees or career and technical education certificates as the class of 2018.

A ceremony for graduates of Arts and Science Education programs (those receiving an Associate of Arts degree, an Associate of Fine Arts degree, an Associate of Arts in Teaching degree, or an Associate of Science degree) will begin at 10 a.m., with doors opening at 8:30 a.m.



A ceremony for graduates of **Career and Technical Education programs** (those receiving an Associate of Applied Science degree or CTE certificate) **will begin at 2 p.m.**, with doors opening at 12:30 p.m.



Dr. Rudy Yanuck, inspirational speaker and retired pathologist for the Department of Veteran Affairs in St. Louis, will be the keynote speaker. He is a U.S. Navy veteran and was the 2010 Gateway area chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society's Father of the Year. Yanuck was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1994 and now speaks about his journey by sharing some of his trials and triumphs, tragedies and victories. He hopes his story will inspire and give hope not only to those suffering with multiple sclerosis, but also to those suffering any chronic disease, such as Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, mental illness-- even those suffering from chronic good health.

As a public service, both graduation ceremonies will be shown live via streaming video on the Jefferson College website at www.jeffco.edu and posted on the Jefferson College Vimeo page at www.vimeo.com/jeffersoncollege.

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

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. Due to the fact that these additional security measures may cause slight delays, 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 2018 commencement are available on the Jefferson College website at www.jeffco.edu by clicking on the "Commencement" banner.

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.



Career Success! Job Placement Rate Hits 95 Percent for Jefferson College CTE Programs

ecently compiled statistics submitted to the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) indicate that 95 percent of Jefferson College Career and Technical Education graduates were successfully employed or chose to continue their education within six months after graduating last May.

Of the 326 Jefferson College graduates surveyed, 89.3 percent found employment and 5.5 percent continued their education beyond the two-year level.

The information was compiled by Jefferson College Employment Services Specialist Lora Warner as required by the state.

"These results indicate to our community and region that Jefferson College graduates are well prepared to be successful in today's competitive job market," said College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey. "With the knowledge they gain in our classrooms and labs, Jefferson College graduates are ready to begin the next stage of their lives, whether it be starting a new career or seeking additional education. Employers know that those who graduate from the College are smart, talented and prepared to take on the challenge of a new career."

Jefferson College's award-winning CTE programs are designed to prepare students for immediate employment after graduation. The College offers over 30 programs. In most, students have the choice of completing either an Associate of Applied Science degree or a Career and Technical Education Certificate.

With the emphasis being placed on technical training from both the state and national level, the College is experiencing a growing demand for its many Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. As the economy steadily grows, job openings in some fields are becoming so plentiful that colleges are finding it difficult to keep up with the demand for skilled workers.

Jefferson College CTE programs include:

- Accounting
- Applied Technology
- Apprenticeship Training
- Automotive Technology
- Business Management (Accounting and Marketing options)
- Child Care/Early Childhood Education
- Computer Information Systems (Computer Support, Criminal Justice Cyber Security, and Graphics/Web Developer options)
- Computer Integrated Manufacturing
- Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Academy

- Culinary Arts
- Emergency Medical Technology/Paramedic
- Health Information Technology
- Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Technology
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Radiologic Technology
- Veterinary Technology
- Welding Technology

In addition to monitoring the successful career outcomes of graduates, each fall the CTE Division hosts advisory committees to evaluate the College's curriculum and training, while suggesting methods of improvement to help meet/exceed industry standards.

Jefferson College and CMU Expand Articulation Agreement to Better Serve Students

Expanding beyond the longstanding transfer credit agreement in Nursing (RN to BSN) and Healthcare Occupation programs, Jefferson College and Central Methodist University recently completed a new transfer articulation agreement that will enable more students to complete their bachelor's degrees in additional areas.

The agreement provides an educational pathway that leads to further student educational attainment and success.

"This extension agreement is another way Jefferson College is reaching out to four-year colleges and universities in an effort to provide options for our students to earn an associate's and bachelor's degree so that they can succeed in their chosen field," explained Jefferson College Vice President of Instruction Dr. Caron Daugherty.

"Students earn their first two years at Jefferson College and then seamlessly transition to CMU and complete their bachelor's degree in two years," noted CMU Provost Dr. Rita Gulstad. "It is through these types of partnerships, such as the one with Jefferson College, that students can advance themselves in the workplace."

Jefferson College offers four associate degrees designated for transfer, including Associate of Arts, Associate of Arts in Teaching, Associate of Fine Arts, and Associate of Science. The new agreement expands the Jefferson College and CMU partnership, allowing students to transfer their credits and earn a bachelor's degree in a variety of areas. By starting their education at a community college, students save money with Jefferson College's reduced tuition costs, while ultimately earning a bachelor's degree as if they attended all four years at CMU.



Area students have a better opportunity to complete a bachelor's degree thanks to a newly expanded transfer agreement between Jefferson College and Central Methodist University. Signing the agreement is Central Methodist President Dr. Roger Drake (seated left) and Jefferson College President Dr. Raymond Cummiskey. Other academic personnel include, from left, Michelle Schuler, Central Methodist University Assistant Dean-St. Louis; Dr. Rita Gulstad, CMU Provost; Dr. Shirley Davenport, Jefferson College Dean of Arts and Science Education; Dr. Caron Daugherty, Jefferson College Vice President of Instruction; and Dr. Dena McCaffrey, Jefferson College Dean of Career and Technical Education.

College and Grace's Helping Hand Host E-Cycle Electronics Recycling Day May 10

efferson College and Grace's Helping Hand Inc. NFP in Crystal City will co-host an E-Cycle Electronics Recycling Day on Thursday, May 10, from 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. on the on the Yellow parking lot near the Jefferson County Veterans Memorial and Fine Arts Building on the Hillsboro campus.

The annual pubic service event is being sponsored by the College's Environment/Safety Committee and Cultural Events/Community Outreach Committee in an effort to identify simple, practical ways to make the campus and the surrounding region more environmentally friendly. Specifically, the E-Cycle Day is designed to protect the environment by providing the opportunity to dispose of unwanted electronics responsibly.

Most electronic items will be accepted free of charge including desktop and laptop computers, servers, flat screen monitors, VOIP equipment, networking equipment, any cords or cables, mobile devices, and batteries.

As a general guideline, any item that has or had an electrical current will be accepted. However, any item containing Freon (such as older refrigerators or air conditioners) will not be accepted.

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Anyone with a computer/laptop can request a certificate of destruction for the hard drive. The hard drives are not destroyed at the event, but Adonis Recycling, a certified recycling company in Festus, will destroy them later and email the certificate to the requester.

Some items will incur a recycling fee: \$40 per tube television, \$25 for each CRT computer monitor and \$10 for each microwave. Cash only is accepted for payment.

For more information about the E-Cycle Electronics Recycling Day at Jefferson College, contact Matt Keeney at mkeeney@jeffco.edu.



Art Department Pottery Sale May 9-10 Showcases Student One-of-a-Kind Pieces

he Jefferson College PACE (Performing Arts and Cultural Enrichment) event series will continue with the Art Department's annual spring pottery sale on Wednesday, May 9, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Thursday, May 10, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Ceramics Studio in the lower level of the Fine Arts Theatre building on the Hillsboro campus.

Proceeds from the sale will be used to benefit students in pottery/ceramics classes who learn clay techniques including coil and slab construction, three-dimensional design and sculptural aspects, wheel throwing, glazing, and firing.

The sale is open to everyone and will feature hundreds of student-made items including bowls, cups, plates, vases, candle holders, and sculptures. All items are hand-made, one-of-a-kind pieces of art.

Prices range from \$2-\$200 with most items costing \$3-\$25. Only cash and checks will be accepted.

The Art Department provides students with an excellent foundation for a lifelong career in visual arts with a broad range of classes in both two- and three-dimensional art forms, including Design, Drawing, Life Drawing, Printmaking, Ceramics, Digital Photography, Graphic Design and Painting in a variety of media. Lecture courses include Survey of Art History I and II, as well as Art Appreciation. Both studio and lecture courses are open to art majors and non-majors alike. Enrollment is now underway for summer and fall courses.

For more information about the student pottery sale, contact Jefferson College Pottery Instructor Nicole Shanks at (636) 481-3365 or nshanks1@jeffco.edu.





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All monthly agenda items and supporting materials are posted online via the BoardDocs site accessible through the Jefferson College website homepage at jeffco.edu clicking on "Welcome" > "About Jefferson College" > "Board of Trustees" links.

Items discussed/approved were:

- Presentation: FY19 Capital Projects
- Approval of Consent Agenda Items (Minutes, Financial Statements, Faculty Load Adjustments {Spring 2018}, Student Credit Hours Generated Extra Pay {2017-2018}, Continuing Education Course Offerings (Summer 2018), and Curriculum Matters)
- Adoption of Mission, Vision, Values Statements
- Law Enforcement Academy Policy & Procedure Manual
- Promotions in Accordance with Faculty Promotions in Academic Ranking System
- Charter/Spectrum Wireless Internet Service for Viking Woods
- Jefferson College Diversity Plan (first reading)
- Discussion Jefferson College Budget FY19
- Requests for Naming Opportunities Library Campaign

Monthly Meeting Schedule

Meetings are held the second Thursday of every month and are open to the public. Each meeting can also be followed live via the BoardDocs site mentioned above.

May 10 - 5 p.m.

June 14 – 5 p.m.

July 26 - 5 p.m.

September 13 - 5:30 p.m.

October 11 - 6:30 p.m.

December 6 - 5 p.m.

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8th Annual Jazz & Jeans Event Raises Nearly \$70,000 to Provide Quality Education for Students

Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of sponsors, guests, and alumni, the eighth annual Jefferson College Foundation Jazz & Jeans dinner, music and auction fundraiser was another success,

bringing in nearly \$70,000 to support the Foundation's mission of providing the College and its students with resources necessary to achieve a quality education.



"An unbelievable amount of planning goes into Jazz and Jeans as the Foundation's premier fundraising event of the year," said Acting Director of Development Greg McVey. "The funds raised have a direct impact on students through tuition, books, emergency funding, and support of campus activities. I want to express my sincere thanks to our sponsors, donors,

attendees, and numerous volunteers who stepped forward with compassion and kindness toward meeting the needs of deserving students and the College."

Dan Gray from Fox 2 News emceed the event once again, sharing the stage with special guest Bob Bennett, Artistic and Operations Director of Jazz St. Louis. Special thanks to event co-chairs Michelle Kennen and Mike Kumph, along with the Foundation Board of Directors and the Jazz & Jeans planning committee.





Over 270 guests enjoyed a social hour, a silent auction and raffles, a delicious dinner by Food Service Consultants, a Fund-a-Future appeal (attendees were moved by the heartfelt personal stories of students Rosa Prewitt and Daniel Schilling), and entertainment by the Jefferson College Jazz ensembles and Jazz Alumni Band.

This year's Jazz & Jeans event sponsors included:

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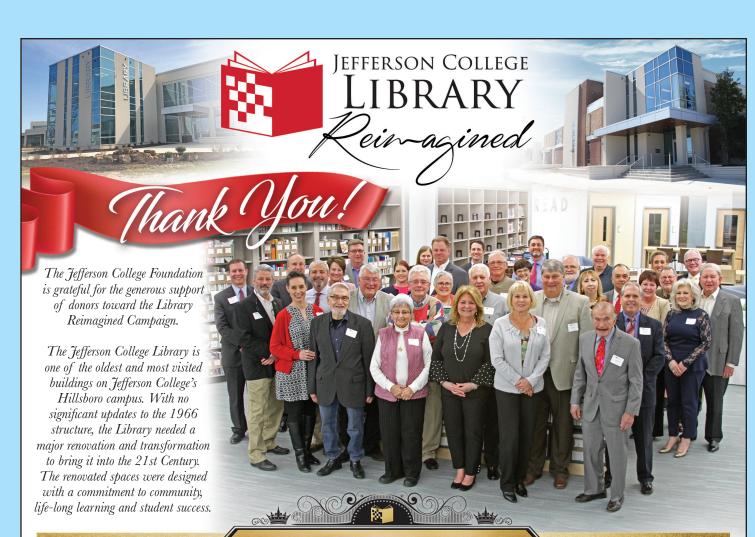


The annual competition by College groups and departments in designing the most creatively themed baskets for the silent auction was stellar: First Place – All Seasons/Seasons of Fun - Student Services, Second Place – Lemonade Stand/Lemonade for Sale! – President/Vice President of Instruction/Public Relations and Marketing/Foundation Offices, Third Place – A Day at the Winery – Social Sciences Division.

To view additional photos from the event, visit Jefferson College Go Jeffco on Facebook.







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		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	Band Concert "The Movement of Music" 7:30 PM FA - Theatre	Student Pottery Sale 10 AM - 6 PM FA - Basement Also on May 10 10 AM - 4 PM FA - Basement	E-Cycle Electronics Recycle Day 9AM, Yellow Parking Lot Board of Trustees Meeting 5 PM, SC - Viking Room PACE: Choir Concert "A Celebration of Song" 7:30 PM, FA - Theatre	11	12
15	Paramedic Program Graduation 7 PM A&S I - Room 119	15	16	17	Radiologic Technician Pinning Ceremony 6 PM A&S I - Room 119	Commencement 10 AM & 2 PM Field House - Gym Nursing RN Reception 11 AM SC - Viking Room
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	Memorial Day All Locations Closed	29	30	31		









