



# New Student Link

LEARN INSIDE NEWS AND KNOWLEDGE!

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Tri-C's tuition is the lowest in Northeastern Ohio.
- Tri-C opened in 1963 as Ohio's first Community College.
- The College ranks #1 in Ohio for conferring Associate Degrees.

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## Dean of Students Welcomes You!



As the Dean of Student Affairs at the Metropolitan Campus, it's my sincere pleasure to welcome you to Tri-C! We're very excited that you've chosen Cuyahoga Community College as the place to start or continue your education. The staff and faculty at the College are committed to assisting you in any way possible to help make your experience at the campus one you will enjoy and remember fondly. On your journey as a new student, please don't hesitate to ask questions and use the many resources we have available at the campus. Our Student Ambassadors, Student Success Specialists and the many staff in our Enrollment Services offices are here to help you succeed and reach your personal education goals, whatever they may be. My advice to each of you is to take advantage of our many services and opportunities, get involved in campus activities, meet people and study hard. I wish you the very best as you begin your journey here at Tri-C and I look forward to seeing you at the Metropolitan Campus.. Congratulations on taking the first step to your future!

-Dean Karen Miller

### WELCOME WEEK 2012

#### When?

January 17th, 18th, & 19th  
12-2 PM

#### Where?

Metro Cafeteria  
MCC 2nd Floor

#### How?

Be a new student!

Join us for karaoke, airbrush tattoos, photo booth, music, free food, prizes, and much more!

### Success Week 2012 February 6-10

Check the calendar on the Tri-c Web-page for workshop days and times!



This is an excellent opportunity for you to learn more about your career opportunities, Financial Aid, My Tri-C Space, Time Management, Study Skills, and much more!

## Important dates to remember!



## Take Advantage of Our Services!

**Access:** Classroom accommodations for students with disabilities. To receive services students must make an appointment with an Access Student advisor and provide documentation. Call 216-987-4344 to find out more.

**Library:** Access a variety of resources and information. Professional librarians are available to assist you in finding the resources you need. There are over 17,000 books, periodicals, newspapers and non print media, as well as access to OhioLink resources. Monday-Thursday 8a.m.-8p.m. Friday & Saturday 9a.m.-2p.m.

**Student Support Services:** Range of academic and other support services to eligible participants to enhance their academic skills. Available to students who are low income or whose parents did not graduate with a bachelor's degree. Students must be U.S. citizens, permanent residents or refugees. Call 216-987-4291 for more information.

**Technology Learning Center:** The TLC's are equipped with both Windows and, at some sites, MAC workstations. There are over 2,000 workstations installed college-wide. Each campus TLC has an open lab with network laser printers and support staff to assist users with technology. Call 216-987-3679 for hours.

**Tutoring & Writing Center:** **Free service to students to help them succeed.** For more information on tutoring call 216-987-4311, for the Writing Center call 216-987-4984.

# NEW STUDENT SUCCESS

## YOUR AMBASSADORS



Welcome to Cuyahoga Community College's Metro Campus! We at Cuyahoga Community College believe in you and your success! Along with the Student Success Specialists, the Student Ambassador Program, the Peer Mentoring Program, and the One on One Mentoring Program we are all here to assist you, mentor you, and motivate you until you walk across stage and accept your diploma!

**Ambassadors from top left:** Amber Colbert, Wendell Turner, Angel Hudson, Wanda Oliver, Untaya Miller, Stephanie Coburn, Felicia Rose, Dennis Goodwin, Maria Graciani, Kelli-Ann Williams, Rashonda Padgett, Jordan Shores, Charmain Gordon-Thomas, William Mills, & Alona Cole.

**Taking English 0960, 0980, 0990  
or Math 0910, 0950, or 0960?**

If so, you may have a Peer Mentor in your class that will keep you "in the know" all semester long!

**Don't have a Peer Mentor in your class?  
Contact Heidi Athey @ 216-987-3422!**

### TRI-C TRIVIA

**Where is the first location that Tri-C held classes?**

**Email your response to Heidi.Athey@tri-c.edu.  
The first 5 correct answers win a great prize!**

Hint: Check [www.tri-c.edu](http://www.tri-c.edu) for answers!

### Enhance Your Success by Requesting a MENTOR

**Mentors are key to a student's success!**

*Reports that were conducted indicate that those students who had a mentor in the spring of 2008 were more likely to return for an additional semester than those students who had not participated in the mentoring program.*

The first week of class, Student Success Specialists will visit your classrooms to hand out fliers and sign up sheets. Please contact your Student Success Specialist if you do not receive a flier and are interested in having a mentor.

For more information contact:  
**Maureen Gray-O'Shea**  
216-987-3339

## Office of Student Life, Athletics & Recreation MCC 102

*The Office of Student Life, Athletics & Recreation provides programs and activities that promote learning and development outside of the classroom and encourage interaction among students and between students & staff.*

### Student Life Happenings

- 1/18 Mindball Competition 12-2, Cafeteria
- 1/24 Gaming Day 11-4, MCC 101B
- 1/25 Calculator Training 12-1, MLA 306
- 1/31 Red Cross Blood Drive 10-3, Auditorium
- 1/31 Gaming Day 11-4, MCC 101B
- 2/1 GET CONNECTED! Winter Edition 11-2, Cafeteria
- 2/2 Leadership Workshop 2-3, MCC 112
- 2/7 Gaming Day 11-4, MCC 101B
- 2/11 Men's Challenger Basketball-Family Day 3pm, Metro Gym
- 2/14 Gaming Day 11-4, MCC 101B
- 2/21 Isabel Wilkerson: The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration 6PM, Theater
- 2/21 Gaming Day 11-4, MCC 101B
- 2/23 Leadership Workshop: Time Management 2-3, MCC 112
- 2/24 Student Club Winter Meeting 12-1, MCC 102A

### Student Leadership

The Leadership Certification Program provides students with the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills outside of the classroom through workshops, service projects and student club participation. The program features three levels of certification including General Certification, Advance Certification & League of Distinguished Certified Leaders.

For more information on the Student Leadership Certification or any other Student Life Happenings, please visit or call.

**The Office of Student Life  
MCC 102  
216-987-4610.**

### Athletic Events

*Athletic talent awards are available for all sports. Students may attend any campus and participate on any team.*

Men:

Basketball, Soccer, & Baseball.

Women:

Basketball, Cross Country/Track, Softball, & Volleyball.

*If you are interested, please fill out the interest form*



- Register for Classes
- Check E-mail
- Enroll for Direct Deposit
- Access Online Tutoring
- Apply for Scholarships
- Apply for an On-Campus Job
- Access the Phone Directory
- Receive Campus Event Updates
- Read the Student Handbook
- Change your Major
- Order Transcripts
- Check Financial Aid Status
- Change Address
- View Unofficial Transcripts
- View/Print Schedule
- E-Advising
- Online Tutoring
- Run a DARS Report
- Obtain Important Forms
- Access Blackboard
- Access the Library
- Make Payments
- Order Textbooks
- & More!

**Avoid the lines! Use My Tri-C Space All the Time!**

**FIRST YEAR**

# FAQ'S



- ***If I don't pay for my class(es) will I be dropped?***

It is your responsibility to make sure that your classes are paid for. If your classes will time, it is YOUR responsibility to drop the classes before the drop date to ensure you charged. Classes can be dropped on My Tri-C Space or in the Enrollment Center.

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- ***Can I change my schedule after class starts?***

Once a particular class starts, you cannot enroll in it. If you wish to change your schedule you must find a class that has not met.

- ***What books do I need for my classes?***

Log onto my Tri-C Space and click on "purchase textbooks" under the "My Info" tab or take your schedule to the Campus Bookstore.

- ***How and When will I receive my Financial Aid?***

Federal Funds are not credited to your account for at least 30 days after your first day of classes. Paper checks can take up to 14 days after that to be mailed out. Enroll for Direct Deposit on My Tri-C Space under the "My Info" tab for a quicker refund.

- ***How do I drop/withdraw from a course?***

Before doing anything, speak with financial aid to see how this will effect you in future semesters. Dropping or withdrawing can be done in person in the Enrollment Center or on My Tri-C Space under the "My Info" tab.

- ***If I change my schedule, can I return my book to the Bookstore for a full refund?***

Yes! You can get a full refund with the receipt up until the end of the 1st week of the class term.

- ***If I register and completed orientation at another campus, can I take classes online or at another campus?***

Yes. You can take classes at any of the campus locations or online, whichever best accommodates your schedule.

- ***I received special help in High School for my documented disability. Can someone help me here ?***

Absolutely. Our ACCESS office provides all different types of support based on a student's needs. Contact ACCESS at 216-987-4344 or stop by MLA 103.

- ***Why is there a hold on my account?***

You can check for a HOLD status by logging into My Tri-C Space and selecting the "My Info" tab. For any administrative or financial holds, contact the Enrollment Center or call 1-800-954-8742 and press option 1 for administrative holds or 3 for financial holds.

**Have another question that you don't see listed here?**

**Contact a Student Success Specialist. They are here to get answers to for you!**

**Heidi Athey 216-987-3422 or Maureen Gray-O'Shea 216-987-3339**

# WHERE IS "TBA"??

As a first year student, you may not be familiar with the acronyms used at Tri-C. Below are a list of the most commonly used acronyms for you to become familiar with!

AA	Associate of Arts
AAS	Associate of Applied Science
ATB	Ability to Benefit (Test)
BA	Bachelor of Arts
CO-REQ	Courses that must be taken at the same time
CRN	Course Reference Number
DARS	Degree Audit Reporting System
EFC	Expected Family Contribution
ESL	English as a Second Language
FA	Financial Aid
FAFSA	Free Application for Federal Student Aid
GED	General Education Development
GPA	Grade Point Average
HY	Hybrid Course (online and in person)
IL	Independent Learning
MPN	Master Promissory Note
NSO	New Student Orientation
OL	Online Course
PRE-REQ	Needed in order to enroll in higher level course
PSEOP	Post Secondary Enrollment Options
SAP	Satisfactory Academic Progress
SAR	Student Aid Report
TBA	To Be Announced
VUB	Veterans Upward Bound



Metro Building Abbreviations	
MAM	Arts & Music
MBA	Business & Administration
MCC	Campus Center
MCCA	Center for Creative Arts
MHCS	Health Careers & Science
MLA	Liberal Arts
MMC	Media Center
MRC	Recreation Center
MSS	Student Services
MTLC	Technology & Learning Center
MTA	Theatre Arts

"Success comes in cans, not cant's."

**Your Student Success Specialists are here to help you!**



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