



TO: All Members of the Board of Trustees
 FROM: Dr. Wrenn Johnson, Chair, and Dr. Tracy Mancini, President and Secretary
 SUBJECT: Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., Foundation Boardroom

AGENDA		
I.	* CALL TO ORDER A. Ethics Statement	Chair Johnson
II.	SWEARING IN OF NEW TRUSTEE 1. Ms. Cindy Brown	Chair Johnson Mr. Ken Raper
III.	* APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Chair Johnson
IV.	* APPROVAL OF MINUTES (August 12, 2026, Attachment 1)	Chair Johnson
V.	INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES 1. Michelle Norton	Chair Johnson Mrs. Laurie Freshwater
VI.	PRESENTATION A. Business & Commercial Enterprises	Chair Johnson Mrs. Nicole Thompson
VII.	NEW BUSINESS A. First Read Policy Revisions 7.11 Expenditure of State Funds Policy 7.12 Methods of Payment 7.15 Travel and Allowances Policy 7.17 Purchasing Policy 7.18 Physical Property Inventory 7.19 Technology Services Policy 7.25 Grants Procurement and Funding Policy 7.28 Foreign national Compliance Policy 7.29 Companies that Boycott Israel and Iran Divestment List 7.30 Payment Card Security 7.31 Return of Military Tuition Assistance Funds Policy 7.32 Student Club Deposits and Expenses Policy	Chair Johnson Dr. Mancini
VIII.	* ONGOING BUSINESS A. Second Read Policies: 3.23 Intercollegiate Student Athletics Policy 2.19 Employee Code of Conduct Policy 2.19.1 Disciplinary Action, Suspension and Dismissal Policy 2.21 Conflict Resolution Policy 5.1 Americans with Disabilities/Accessibility Policy 5.6 College Smoking Policy 5.9 Electronic Signature Policy 5.10 Free Speech, Distribution of Material and Assembly Policy	Chair Johnson, Dr. Mancini
IX.	COMMITTEE REPORTS A. Personnel. Policies & Bylaws 1. First Read Governing Policy revisions	Chair Johnson Trustee Melodie Darden

	* * * *	B. Joint Buildings & Grounds and Finance 1. State Construction Office 3-1, WCCTT 2. Emergency Services Master Services Agreement 3. Budget (Attachment 2) 4. Proposal	Trustee Bill Henderson, Trustee Dee Meshaw
X.		OTHER REPORTS A. Foundation Liaison B. President's and Executive Leadership Council Reports. (Attachments 3 , 4 , 5 , 6 , 7 , 8 , 9 , 10 , 11 , 12 , 13) C. SGA Report	Chair Johnson Trustee Mort Congleton Dr. Mancini Ms. Kendal Cooke
XI.		BOARD COMMENTS	Chair Johnson /Trustees
XII.		CLOSED SESSION in accordance with N.C. GS 143-318.11(a)(5); approval of BOT closed session minutes April 8, 2026.	Chair Johnson Trustee Darden
XIII.	*	ADJOURNMENT	Chair Johnson

*Indicates Item for Action

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
September 29	Escoffier Dinner	6:00 p.m.	HCAC
October 9	Sound Discoveries: The End of the World as We Know It?	3:00 p.m.	Joslyn Hall
November 12-14	Crystal Coast Wine Expo		HCAC



CARTERET COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF MEETING

August 12, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

Following proper public notification, Chair Wrenn Johnson called the Carteret Community College Board of Trustees meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on August 12, 2026, at the Foundation Boardroom on the Carteret Community College Campus, Morehead City, North Carolina. The following were present and/or absent:

Trustees Present

Dr. James T. Baynum III
Mr. Mort Congleton
Mrs. Melodie Darden
Mr. Bill Henderson
Dr. Wrenn Johnson

Mrs. Rosa Langston
Mrs. Kelly Marek
Mrs. Catherine Parker
Mr. Will Rogers (via Zoom)
Mr. Doug Starcke

Trustees Absent/Excused

Mrs. Dee Meshaw

SGA Present

Ms. Kendal Cooke, 2026-2027 SGA President

Administration and Staff Present

Dr. Tracy Mancini	President
Dr. Maggie Brown	Vice President, Instruction and Student Support
Mr. Perry Harker	Vice President, Strategic Partnerships
Mr. Scott Lane	Vice President, Finance & Administrative Services
Ms. Brenda Reash	Executive Director, Foundation
Mr. Curtis Gillikin	Director, Campus Information Technology
Mrs. Cindi Goodwin	Senior Director, Operations & Facilities
Mr. Richard Abell	Director, Security & Emergency Preparedness
Ms. Victoria Washington	Marketing & Communications
Mrs. Merianne Grigoriuc	SEC Chair, Director Counseling, Disability Services & Retention
Mrs. Greta Quinn	FEC Chair, Instructor General Education
Ms. Kristian Jenkins	Coordinator, Student Life
Ms. Angela Hiley	Executive Assistant to the President, Assistant Secretary to the Board

Guests Present

Mr. Floyd Messer



A. Ethics Reminder

Chair Johnson reminded members of the Board of the ethical requirements for public servants and requested that members identify any conflicts or potential conflicts of interest with respect to any item on the agenda. No board member expressed any potential or actual conflicts of interest.

II. FOUNDATION CHECK PRESENTATION

Chair Johnson recognized Mr. Floyd Messer, who presented a check establishing the Jim Normile Memorial Scholarship Endowment. She said the Foundation is honored to establishment the endowment in memory of Captain Jim Normile, a distinguished Marine, educator, business leader, and dedicated community servant.

She said Captain Normile devoted his life to serving others. A highly decorated U.S. Marine Corps veteran, he served his country with honor for more than 20 years, completing deployments around the world and earning numerous commendations for his courage, and leadership. Following his military retirement, he continued his commitment to service through a successful real estate career, mentoring future professionals, advocating for veterans and their families, and making significant contributions to the Jacksonville and Emerald Isle, North Carolina, communities.

Chair Johnson said that the endowed scholarship will honor Captain Normile's legacy of integrity, perseverance, education, and public service while supporting future generations of students. This scholarship will provide assistance to students enrolled in the Emergency Medical Science (EMS) certification and associate degree programs.

III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AND SWEARING IN OF REAPPOINTED AND NEW TRUSTEES WILLIAM ROGERS & DR. JAMES BAYNUM III

Chair Johnson congratulated Trustee William Rogers on his reappointment by the NC House to the Board of Trustees and Dr. James T. Baynum III on his appointment by the NC Senate to the Board. She said Mr. Ren Raper, Carteret County Clerk of Superior Court, was unavoidably detained and recognized Ms. Angela Hiley, Assistant Secretary to the Board and Notary Public, who administered the oath of office to the College's reappointed and newly appointed trustees.

IV. SWEARING IN OF 2026-2027 SLATE OF OFFICERS

Ms. Hiley administered the oath of office to Trustee Wrenn Johnson as Board Chair and Trustee Kelly Marek as Vice Chair.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Johnson presented the August 12, 2026, agenda for approval by the Board.

Trustee Bill Henderson motioned to approve the August 12, 2026, agenda. Trustee Doug Starcke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Johnson presented the June 10, 2026, minutes for approval by the Board.



Trustee Rosa Langston motioned to approve the June 10, 2026, minutes. Trustee Melodie Darden seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Chair Johnson recognized Dr. Mancini to present proposed policy revisions for Board consideration. Dr. Mancini provided an overview of the College's process for policy and procedure updates, noting that procedural changes may be approved by President's Cabinet, while policy changes must be presented to the Board. She said that policy revisions are introduced as a first reading and, following any necessary modifications, are brought back to the Board for a second reading and vote at a subsequent meeting. Dr. Mancini said the College has joined other North Carolina community colleges in acquiring the Campbell Shatley PLLC policy catalog developed specifically for community colleges. Dr. Mancini said she and Ms. Hiley have begun a comprehensive review of all College policies, comparing existing policies to the Campbell Shatley policies, making revising where appropriate, and adopting new policies when gaps are identified within the College's current policy portfolio.

Dr. Mancini said that College policies and procedures are included in the accreditation review process. Dr. Brown confirmed that the next re-affirmation of accreditation is scheduled for September 2029.

Dr. Mancini said the following policies were shared with the Board for review: Policy 3.23, Intercollegiate Student Athletics; Policy 2.19, Employee Code of Conduct; Policy 2.19.1, Disciplinary Action, Suspension and Dismissal; Policy 2.21, Conflict Resolution Policy; Policy 5.1, Americans with Disabilities/Accessibility Policy; Policy 5.6, College Smoking Policy; Policy 5.9, Electronic Signature; Policy 5.10, Free Speech, Distribution of Material and Assembly. She identified which policies were new and explained the rationale for proposed revisions to existing policies. Discussion followed and no additional changes were suggested by the trustees.

Chair Johnson invited trustees to submit any questions to Ms. Hiley via email and noted that the policies would be presented for a second reading at the September Board of Trustees meeting.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Johnson said that no committee meetings were held during July. She shared committee assignments for the 2026-2027 school year, adding Ms. Hiley will share the committee roster via email. She said a Personnel, Policies and Bylaws committee meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. and a Joint Buildings & Grounds and Finance committee will be scheduled prior to the September Board of Trustees meeting.

IX. OTHER REPORTS

A. Foundation Liaison

Trustee Congleton welcomed both new and returning trustees and said that the beginning of the academic year is an ideal time to consider making donations to the College and the Foundation. He said it is particularly impactful when speaking with prospective donors to be able to report 100% participation among Foundation Directors and College Trustees.



Trustee Congleton shared that he had brought a contribution to the Dottie Mancini Nursing Scholarship, a newly established scholarship fund honoring the late mother of Dr. Mancini. He encouraged trustees to continually consider individuals who may be potential donors and supporters of the College and Foundation.

B. President's and Executive Leadership Council Reports

Dr. Mancini welcomed Dr. Baynum to the Board and congratulated Mr. Rogers on his reappointment. She said she expected the County Commissioners' appointee to be announced soon and that she would conduct a new trustee orientation shortly thereafter. Dr. Mancini welcomed Ms. Kendal Cooke as the 2026-2027 SGA President.

Dr. Mancini said the 2026 North Carolina Association of Community College Trustees (NCACCT) Fall Leadership Seminar is scheduled for August 26 to 28 and said she looked forward to attending with a large group of trustees.

Dr. Mancini shared the current College campaign video with the Board.

Dr. Mancini then presented a detailed and informative PowerPoint presentation addressing topics including enrollment and FTE, statewide initiatives, funding and budgets, and employee compensation. Her presentation also highlighted information from recent leadership reports. She shared that Mr. Jonathan Tyndall, Director of Institutional Effectiveness, had been selected as a statewide mentor for the Belk Center's Strategic Planning Initiative and that she had been appointed to the Advisory Council for the Belk Center for Community College Leadership and Research.

Dr. Mancini thanked trustees for their participation and engagement, noting that Chair Johnson attended nearly all graduation and pinning ceremonies. Chair Johnson commented that keeping track of the College's many successes is, in itself, a full-time job. She said the College has a great team, and great teams need great leaders.

C. SEC Report

Mrs. Merianne Grigoriuc introduced herself as the Staff Executive Committee (SEC) chair for 2026-2027. She said only one meeting had been held to date and that activities for the year are currently in the planning stages.

X. ANNUAL PUBLIC FORUM

Ms. Hiley said no requests had been received to address the Board during the Annual Public Forum. Chair Johnson invited comments from the floor. There were none. Chair Johnson invited Board comments.

XI. BOARD COMMENTS

Trustee Henderson said he had been on campus the day before the Board meeting and was pleased to see a high level of activity. He also commended Ms. Brenda Reash and those involved in the College summer camps for their efforts, noting that feedback on the camps had been outstanding.

Trustee Rogers said he was grateful for his reappointment and apologized that illness required him to attend via Zoom rather than in person. He said he was encouraged by the reported enrollment growth.



Trustee Starcke said his oldest child had attended one of the College's Marine Sciences camps and had a wonderful experience. He said it had been a pleasure to share in Mr. Messer's recognition of Mr. Normile. He thanked Dr. Mancini for her detailed presentation and expressed appreciation for the updates regarding the College's CRM and Element451 initiatives.

Trustee Parker said she was pleased that the state budget had passed. She said her daughter took part in the Women on the Water camp and had a great experience. Trustee Parker commented that it had been a good meeting.

Trustee Darden welcomed Dr. Baynum and Ms. Cooke and wished everyone a successful year. She said the appointments of Mr. Tyndall and Dr. Mancini to roles within the Belk Center were a recognition of the College's growing reputation across the state. She recognized Mr. Curtis Gillikin and the Campus Information Technology Department for their many achievements and the significant volume of work they accomplish.

Trustee Langston welcomed both new and returning trustees. She said she was extremely impressed by the new *Navigate* magazine, saying it contained a lot of information and presented it effectively. She commended the portion of Dr. Mancini's report on apprentices. She said she was pleased to hear a sizable group of trustees would be attending the NCACCT Leadership Seminar, commenting that she learns something valuable at every conference.

Trustee Baynum introduced himself to the Board, sharing information about his background and career history. He said he was excited to serve on the Board, noting he had presented at two Carteret Emerging Leaders Academy sessions but was otherwise new to the community college system.

Trustee Congleton welcomed Trustee Baynum and Ms. Cooke, and said he was pleased that Trustee Rogers had been reappointed. He commended Dr. Mancini on her presentation and noted that the leadership team is unchanged, adding that consistency brings strength to the organization. He said he makes it a habit to ask people he encounters in everyday life where they received their training and is frequently told that they attended Carteret Community College.

Trustee Marek said she is glad to be back for the start of the new academic year. She expressed her pleasure at the growth in FTE and said she was excited about the year ahead.

Chair Johnson said she is always impressed by the personalized, family-oriented nature of the pinning and graduation ceremonies she attends. She commended the Marketing and Communications team for their coverage of these events. Chair Johnson said she appreciated the high level of activity on campus and was excited about the new school year.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Trustee Henderson motioned to adjourn at 10:15 a.m. Trustee Marek seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Submitted by:
Ms. Angela Hiley
Executive Assistant to the President
Assistant Secretary to the Board
August 14, 2026



Dr. Wrenn Johnson, Chair of the Board of Trustees

Date

Dr. Tracy J. Mancini, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Date



Carteret Community College

FY 2025-2026

Final Budget

STATE BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 6-30-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$4,010,791	\$3,739,500	\$271,291	93.2%
Curriculum Instruction	\$7,618,555	\$7,618,551	\$4	100.0%
Workforce & Continuing Education	\$2,433,233	\$2,426,584	\$6,649	99.7%
Academic Support	\$1,583,397	\$1,583,395	\$2	100.0%
Student Support	\$1,178,343	\$1,167,358	\$10,985	99.1%
Capital Outlay	\$373,791	\$365,866	\$7,925	97.9%
Totals	\$17,198,110	\$16,901,254	\$296,856	98.3%

COUNTY BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 6-30-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$610,043	\$602,265	\$7,778	98.7%
Plant Operations	\$2,989,957	\$2,921,546	\$68,411	97.7%
Capital Outlay	\$2,387,555	\$2,202,907	\$184,648	92.3%
Totals	\$5,987,555	\$5,726,719	\$260,836	95.6%

INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 6-30-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$300,033	\$399,486	-\$99,453	133.1%
Curriculum Instruction	\$1,394,518	\$1,136,373	\$258,145	81.5%
Workforce & Continuing Education	\$587,791	\$253,920	\$333,871	43.2%
Academic Support	\$188,588	\$146,329	\$42,259	77.6%
Student Support	\$1,259,058	\$861,740	\$397,318	68.4%
Plant Operations	\$22,283	\$20,592	\$1,691	92.4%
Proprietary	\$404,028	\$446,194	-\$42,166	110.4%
Student Aid	\$5,252,046	\$5,201,868	\$50,178	99.0%
Capital Outlay	\$9,375,000	\$3,847,860	\$5,527,140	41.0%
Totals	\$18,783,345	\$12,314,362	\$6,468,983	65.6%



Carteret Community College

FY 2026-2027

Budget

STATE BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 8-31-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$4,173,616	\$379,561	\$3,794,055	9.1%
Curriculum Instruction	\$7,590,695	\$619,058	\$6,971,637	8.2%
Workforce & Continuing Education	\$1,928,632	\$122,088	\$1,806,544	6.3%
Academic Support	\$1,733,145	\$156,839	\$1,576,306	9.0%
Student Support	\$1,288,533	\$104,497	\$1,184,036	8.1%
Capital Outlay	\$29,562	\$27,996	\$1,566	94.7%
Totals	\$16,744,183	\$1,410,039	\$15,334,144	8.4%

COUNTY BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 8-31-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$629,476	\$42,646	\$586,830	6.8%
Plant Operations	\$3,140,524	\$211,500	\$2,929,024	6.7%
Capital Outlay	\$1,200,000	\$1,269,493	-\$69,493	105.8%
Totals	\$4,970,000	\$1,523,639	\$3,446,361	30.7%

INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 8-31-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$50,600	\$25,320	\$25,280	50.0%
Curriculum Instruction	\$434,706	\$170,984	\$263,722	39.3%
Workforce & Continuing Education	\$441,789	\$143,041	\$298,748	32.4%
Academic Support	\$117,602	\$3,915	\$113,687	3.3%
Student Support	\$511,020	\$14,712	\$496,308	2.9%
Plant Operations	\$12,941	\$0	\$12,941	0.0%
Proprietary	\$250,000	\$135,355	\$114,645	54.1%
Student Aid	\$5,200,000	\$0	\$5,200,000	0.0%
Capital Outlay	\$6,000,000	\$64,160	\$5,935,840	1.1%
Totals	\$13,018,658	\$557,487	\$12,461,171	4.3%

State Budget Notes

The College received its Formula Allocation budget of \$16,037,827 in mid-August. At the same time, the College was also notified of \$706,356 in categorical allocations for the Small Business Center, Customized Training, Equipment, and Instructional Resources programs. These allocations brought the College's total State budget allocation to \$16,744,183.



In September, the College expects to receive additional State funding through carryforward and categorical allocations. The allocations are outlined below.

Enrollment Growth Reserve Carryforward	\$271,290
Construction Training Carryforward	\$1,643
Apprenticeship Expansion Carryforward	\$4,434
Books Carryforward	\$7,331
PBF Carryforward	\$3,369
Perkins	\$139,286
Appropriations Act Bonus Funds	\$204,468
Title II Section 231 – Adult Basic Education	\$115,978
Title II Section 225 – Corrections Education	\$21,131
NC Career Coach	\$87,936
Child Care	\$19,652
Short-Term Workforce Development	\$26,000
Finish Line Grants	\$14,928
\$917,446	

The College is expected to receive the following recurring funding allocations later this fall.

Faculty Recruitment & Retention	\$262,572
Nursing Faculty Salary Adjustment	\$66,471
\$329,043	

This year's allocation marks the first year of funding under the new Propel NC formula. The chart below compares the College's actual allocation under Propel NC with the allocation the College would have received under the previous funding formula. Under Propel NC, Carteret Community College's allocation increased by \$660,886.

The College's strong performance in high-value workforce and academic programs positioned it to benefit significantly from the new funding model. Among North Carolina's 58 community colleges, Carteret Community College ranked 10th in the size of the positive funding variance, demonstrating the favorable impact of Propel NC on the College's State allocation.

Propel NC			Previous Tier Formula				
CU and CE	CT and SBC	Total New	Curriculum	WCE	Total Old	Variance	% Variance
9,129,211	77,791	9,150,405	6,846,095	1,643,424	8,489,519	660,886	7.78%



The chart below provides a breakdown of the College's State allocation by Workforce Sector. The upper dollar amount reflects the State funding rate per FTE for each sector, while the lower figure represents the total State funding generated by enrollments within that sector. This analysis demonstrates the impact of each workforce sector on the College's overall State allocation.

Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing	Healthcare I	Healthcare II	Information Technology	Other Technologies I	Other Technologies II
\$5,470.92	\$5,470.92	\$4,839.66	\$4,839.66	\$4,839.66	\$4,208.40
29,064	1,130,407	695,852	365,167	289,718	1,549,768
Public Safety and First Responders	Trades and Transportation	Transfer and General Education I	Transfer and General Education II	NC Edge Customized Training	Small Business Center
\$4,839.66	\$5,470.92	\$4,839.66	\$4,208.40	\$2,522.02	\$2,522.02
1,133,256	1,250,191	984,115	1,701,673	4,768	16,426

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TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Dr. Tracy Mancini, President
DATE: September 4, 2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September 9, 2026, Meeting

This past month has been filled with great Kraken spirit with the successful start of fall classes, increased enrollment reports, opening of the Kraken Campus Store, launch of Kraken Athletics, transition to Canvas learning management software (LMS), and introduction of the Navigation Center in the McGee Building. Special shout-outs are due to the Campus IT and Operations & Facilities teams for their tireless efforts to make new spaces functional; to faculty and staff for their flexibility and commitment to smooth Kraken-Ready and LMS transitions; to Student Life and the SGA for hosting an array of welcome activities for students; and to the coaches and staff who conducted a fantastic first student-athlete orientation and joined us for our August Employee Meeting.

Congratulations to the Foundation staff and Grants Coordinator for reaching \$1.425,000 in donations and grants for the Industrial Trades Center (formerly called Workforce Center for Construction and Transportation Trades). Carteret Community College's success depends on the positive attitudes and efforts of ALL of our employees. Fall 2026 could not be a better display of what can be accomplished when we all work together toward our mission and strategic goals.

This month, Dr. Brown's report reflects our ongoing transition to the One College model, combining Curriculum and Continuing Education student, course, and program information to provide a coherent picture of our



instructional breadth, as well as some exciting increases in enrollment for programs such as Boat Manufacturing and Marine Propulsion. VP Harker's Strategic Partnerships report demonstrates the College's work with business and industry partners such as 21CS, Parker Offshore, Beaufort Hotel, Down East Mariculture Supply, Carteret Health Care, and the Division of Marine Fisheries through Customized Training and Carteret Works apprenticeships. Kudos to our Small Business Center for supporting new businesses and employee recruitment and retention in Carteret County. VP Lane's budget materials included in this month's meeting show the impact of Propel NC and enrollment growth on the College's state budget for the year. We are also pleased to have renewed our annual Adult High School Affiliation Agreement with Carteret County Public Schools to partner on high school diploma completion in Carteret County.

The 2026-2027 Academic Year is off to a great start. We are grateful to the NC General Assembly, Carteret County Commissioners, Morehead City Mayor and Council, Carteret County Public Schools, College Board of Trustees, and Foundation Board of Directors for their support and confidence in our work to serve and empower our students and coastal community.

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Maggie Brown, Vice President of Instruction and Student Support
DATE: 09/95/2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees 09/09/2026 Meeting

- The fall 2026 semester is off to a great start! With a new Learning Management System, Canvas, and a new bookstore model, out faculty and students have been navigating multiple improvements in our delivery of instruction. At the time of this report, our Fall CU enrollment is 1,821 unduplicated students in 5,417 seats. On the WCE side, just two weeks into the semester, we have served 332 students in many program areas. With multiple start and stop points, this number will be very fluid throughout the semester.
- Spa Services celebrates the Carteret Community College Barber Academy for its recent collaboration with the D.R.E.A.M. Foundation during a Back-to-School Event on August 22, 2026. Barber Academy students provided free back-to-school haircuts to local children, while the D.R.E.A.M. Foundation distributed free school supplies to attending families. Spa Services Salon clinics are now open by appointment to the public! Book an appointment at <https://carteret.edu/business-community/spa-services/>
- Fall 26 CU Boat Manufacturing and Marine Propulsion programs are underway at full capacity. Using the college waitlist process, the Boat Manufacturing classes increased capacity by 33%. This increase in enrollment is supported by a former graduate working as a lab assistant. There are several WCE opportunities beginning this month in Coast Guard, marine woodworking, fiberglass, and outboards.
- Basic Law Enforcement Training / Law Enforcement Con Ed conducted an Internal Affairs class with nearly 50 students in attendance. Detention Officer Certification Course was held from July 20th through August 20th and graduated 7 officers with 100% pass rate on the state exam. Basic Law Enforcement Training completed their course on August 27th after 8 months of training with 7 cadets taking the state exam, again with 100% pass rate. Upcoming classes include Field Officer Training and RADAR operator training.
- The Arts & Sciences division reports very healthy numbers in all late-start and B-Term classes. Our Biology Instructor, Elliott Lupton, is working with NCSU concerning an opportunity for an upper-level conservation course for NCSU and our students.
- In our partnership with the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina, our own Kristian Jenkins and Clay Bochnovic have been recognized for their outstanding work in keeping the Student Food Pantry (The Galley) running and supporting our students. Last year, based solely on food received through the Food Bank, their efforts helped provide, 4,118 pounds of food or the equivalent of 3,431 meals for our students. Under their leadership, the pantry is stocked, sorted, maintained, and distributed to students in need.



- Aquaculture established a transfer articulation agreement with NC State University Fisheries, Wildlife, and Conservation Biology Bachelor's degree program (College of Natural Resources). We are also working on establishing a similar pathway into NCSU College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. For this Fall 2026; enrollment is more than double that of Fall 2025 (seat count). There are two WCE classes upcoming: Shellfish Farming Academy starts Sept. 15 and Open Water SCUBA starts Sept. 17.
- The Aquaculture program and our Culinary programs will feature oysters, clams, and striped bass grown by our students at the 2026 NC Seafood Festival.
- Along with moving into our new Navigation Center in McGee, Student Services and several faculty volunteers rode around campus welcoming students in The Kraken Care Cart during opening-week outreach, connecting with more than 350 students and other visitors to campus.
- Our Respiratory Therapy program was honored with the CoARC President's Award for Excellence in Credentialing Success, a distinction awarded to just 14 colleges across the nation. We are especially proud to be the only college in North Carolina to receive this recognition.
- Trades and Industry programs have a strong start this academic year with two curriculum welding classes at WCHS and ECHS, along with our on campus programs. Our Automotive Diesel class is fully enrolled. We are gearing up for the new Trades and Industry building this spring with new WCE programs planned in the areas of restaurant equipment repair and industrial maintenance. Our next WCE NC Inspection class begins on 9/08.
- Horticulture is offering a WCE Therapeutic Horticulture class starting mid-September. This program is designed for participants who are new to gardening or mindfulness and want to explore the restorative connection between people and plants. Over six sessions, participants will set personal goals, engage in hands-on horticultural activities, and learn simple mindfulness practices that support relaxation, self-awareness, and growth. Each week builds on the previous one, encouraging both inner and outer cultivation in a fun, accessible way.
- Our programming for high school students with learning differences is off to a great start this semester with 15 students enrolled in Food Service and Landscape Services coursework.
- Our 2026 Escoffier students have been studying French and getting ready for their work and learning trip to France. Students leave on 10/3. Our Culinary and Baking students have the food truck and bake shop sales up and running. Get your tickets now for Escoffier dinners on 9/29, 12/08, 01/26, and 02/23.

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Perry Harker
DATE: 08/31/2026
SUBJECT: Strategic Partnerships September Board Report

College and Career Readiness enrolled nine new High School Equivalency (GED) students during the August orientation. We also had the privilege of celebrating five GED graduates at the graduation ceremony last month at Carteret Correctional Center. In addition, twenty-two students graduated in the Masonry or Groundskeeping program.

Carteret Works submitted four more apprenticeship registration packages, including an Administrative Assistant Apprenticeship at 21CS and the Division of Marine Fisheries, and two Culinary Arts Apprenticeships with Beaufort Hotel, one of which is our first Special Populations Apprenticeship. For the fall semester, we have 10 CNA I/II Apprentices, 3 Medical Assisting Apprentices, and 2 Marine Services students Apprentices.

The NC Community College System approved a Customized Training Project for Parker Offshore. The three-year project will train incumbent workers in leadership, safety, production processes, and continuous improvement. The \$ 26,000-funded project covers all training costs.

Through the Customized Training Project with 21 CS, we provided an Interpersonal Skills training class, which began on August 28. The six-module Customized Training class covers Business Etiquette, Effective Listening Skills, Effective Team Leadership, Managing Challenging Behaviors in the Workplace, Navigating Difficult Conversations, and The Golden Rule.

The **Reentry program** continues to provide workforce support to justice-involved and recovery-impacted clients, including career coaching for clients of Southeastern Integrated Care (SEIC), Miriam, and Hope Mission. The program also continues to partner with Carteret Correctional Facility to support participants with pre-release coordination. Five individuals have enrolled in fall 2026 classes at Carteret Community College since their release.

The **Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Work Experience Program (WEX)** continued advancing its mission of connecting individuals in recovery and reentry populations with meaningful employment that supports long-term self-sufficiency. A new WEX placement was launched with Down East Mariculture Supply Company, providing hands-on participant training as an Oyster Nursery Technician while building industry-specific skills and workforce experience. This program reimburses the employer for 50% of wages paid.

The **WIOA program** enrolled twenty-one students for the Fall 2026 semester in either Curriculum or Workforce Continuing Education programs. WIOA continues to support programs that strengthen the local workforce, including Surgical Technology, Commercial Driver's License (CDL), and Barbering.

The **Small Business Center** submitted its annual report to the State in August, highlighting another productive year supporting entrepreneurs and strengthening the local business community. Over the



past fiscal year, the Center provided more than 300 hours of counseling to 106 clients and hosted 141 events with a total attendance of 1,675 participants. Through these services, the Center supported the creation of 20 new businesses, contributed to 78 new jobs, and helped retain 196 existing jobs, reflecting our continued commitment to helping entrepreneurs and small business owners start, grow, and sustain successful businesses.

Small Business Center Director Brandy Bell presented to faculty and staff at the College's August employee meeting, highlighting the range of services and resources available through the Center and increasing awareness of how it supports entrepreneurs through counseling, training, and educational programming.

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees

FROM: Scott Lane, Vice President of Finance & Administrative Services / Athletics Director

DATE: September 1, 2026

SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September 9, 2026, Meeting Report

Budget

- State Budget Allocation:** The College received its initial FY 2026-27 State budget allocation totaling \$16.7 million, including formula and categorical funding. Additional State and allocations totaling approximately \$917,000 are expected in September, with an additional \$329,000 in recurring funding anticipated later this fall. Under the new Propel NC funding model, Carteret Community College received approximately \$661,000 more than it would have under the previous funding formula, reflecting the College's strong performance in high-value workforce and academic programs and ranking among the top 10 North Carolina community colleges in positive funding impact under the new model.

STATE BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 8-31-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$4,173,616	\$379,561	\$3,794,055	9.1%
Curriculum Instruction	\$7,590,695	\$619,058	\$6,971,637	8.2%
Workforce & Continuing Education	\$1,928,632	\$122,088	\$1,806,544	6.3%
Academic Support	\$1,733,145	\$156,839	\$1,576,306	9.0%
Student Support	\$1,288,533	\$104,497	\$1,184,036	8.1%
Capital Outlay	\$29,562	\$27,996	\$1,566	94.7%
Totals	\$16,744,183	\$1,410,039	\$15,334,144	8.4%

COUNTY BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 8-31-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$629,476	\$42,646	\$586,830	6.8%
Plant Operations	\$3,140,524	\$211,500	\$2,929,024	6.7%
Capital Outlay	\$1,200,000	\$1,269,493	-\$69,493	105.8%
Totals	\$4,970,000	\$1,523,639	\$3,446,361	30.7%

INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET SUMMARY				
<i>As of 8-31-26</i>	Annual Budget	Year-to-Date Expenditures	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Expended
Institutional Support	\$50,600	\$25,320	\$25,280	50.0%
Curriculum Instruction	\$434,706	\$170,984	\$263,722	39.3%
Workforce & Continuing Education	\$441,789	\$143,041	\$298,748	32.4%
Academic Support	\$117,602	\$3,915	\$113,687	3.3%
Student Support	\$511,020	\$14,712	\$496,308	2.9%
Plant Operations	\$12,941	\$0	\$12,941	0.0%
Proprietary	\$250,000	\$135,355	\$114,645	54.1%
Student Aid	\$5,200,000	\$0	\$5,200,000	0.0%
Capital Outlay	\$6,000,000	\$64,160	\$5,935,840	1.1%
Totals	\$13,018,658	\$557,487	\$12,461,171	4.3%

Financial Aid & Veterans Services

- **FAFSA Processing:** Continued support is being provided to students and families in completing the FAFSA and satisfying outstanding financial aid requirements for the Fall 2026 semester. Staff are working to ensure aid eligibility is determined and awards are processed in a timely manner.
- **Veterans Benefits:** Certification of VA educational benefits for the Fall 2026 semester is ongoing, with the College experiencing an increase in veteran student applications compared to last year.
- **Scholarships and Student Assistance:** The College received funding allocations for the Golden LEAF Scholarship, Targeted Assistance, and Child Care Grant programs. Applications for the Golden LEAF Scholarship and Child Care Grant will be distributed this week, and staff will begin awarding eligible students through these and other available scholarship programs.
- **Reconnect Program:** Continued support is being provided to Reconnect students by assisting with funding opportunities for tuition, fees, and required course supplies.
- **Financial Aid Outreach:** Financial Aid staff provided orientations for four ACA classes and one Nursing class, educating students on financial aid opportunities and the steps required to successfully complete the financial aid process.

Auxiliary Services

- **Kraken Campus Store:** The start of the Fall 2026 semester was successfully supported through the Kraken Campus Store and Kraken Ready program. Staff assisted students with obtaining course materials, accessing program information, and navigating bookstore services to help ensure they were prepared for classes from the first day of the semester.

Athletics

- **Athletics Launch:** The College's athletics program reached several significant milestones with the women's soccer team hosting its first official match against Cape Fear Community College on September 2 at Rotary Park and the women's cross-country team competing in its inaugural meet on September 4 at Methodist University. The baseball team has also begun fall workouts and practices in preparation for its upcoming exhibition season.



- **Student-Athlete Orientation:** All student-athletes participated in an athletics orientation on August 21 to review program expectations, academic requirements, and available support resources. Following the orientation, student-athletes welcomed faculty and staff attending the College's employee meeting and assisted with distributing event shirts. Athletic teams were formally introduced during the meeting.

Emergency Preparedness and Security

- **Third Week Emergency Preparedness**
 - The College conducted its Emergency Preparedness Week from August 31 through September 3, an initiative held each fall and spring semester to educate students, faculty, and staff on appropriate responses to campus emergencies. Daily communications highlighted key emergency preparedness topics, while the College tested its emergency alert and Regroup mass notification systems. Fire drills and shelter-in-place exercises were also conducted to reinforce campus readiness and response procedures.
- **Meetings and Professional Engagement**
 - Staff Executive Committee
 - Employee Meeting
 - Building Captains Meeting
 - 911 Event Planning Meeting
 - Safety Orientation with 5 ACA Classes
 - Foundation's Momma Mania Concert

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Brenda Reash, Executive Director Foundation
DATE: August 31, 2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September 9, 2026, Meeting Date

NEW FISCAL YEAR – Board Member Annual Fund Participation: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027

- Board of Trustees – 33%
- Board of Directors –41%
- Employees – 63% participation Campus Week of Giving will take place in September 2026 for the new fiscal year.

Annual Fund Unrestricted Gifts FY: \$5,891 (13.64% of goal)

Fundraising Revenue FY: \$150,664 (20.87% of goal)

Endowment donations this fiscal year-to-date: \$18,205

Community Relationships and Current Activities:

This section highlights the key activities and engagements of the Executive Director and Foundation team, demonstrating their continued dedication to advancing the College's strategic priorities, fostering community partnerships, and strengthening philanthropic support.

- The Foundation continued donor cultivation efforts in support of the Industrial Trades Center. To date, a total of \$1,224,544 has been raised through donor contributions and grant funding.
- The Executive Director met with donors recently and two new scholarships are in the process of being established:
 - Bill Baker Memorial Scholarship by NC Coastal Piedmont Chapter of the Antique & Classic Boat Society. This will support students enrolled in the Composite Boat Diploma Program
 - Samuels Family Nursing Scholarship. This will support students enrolled in the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
- Foundation staff hosted over 340 guests for the Mamma Mania ABBA Tribute band concert on August 29th.
- Foundation Finance and Development committees met separately in August. The Development Committee is working with the Foundation staff to set the 2027 event calendar allowing the team to prepare the sponsorship packet by November.
- A fall lecture has been set with UNC Humanities on the Road. This will be held in Joslyn Hall: [Sound Discoveries: End of the World as We Know It?](#)

Upcoming Events/Life Enrichment Classes/Opportunities to be with Donors and Community:

- **Life Enrichment Classes** to explore: [Life Enrichment - Carteret Community College](#)
- **Escoffier Dinner tickets:** [2026-2027 Escoffier Dinner Series](#)
- **Crystal Coast Wine Expo tickets:** [2026 Wine Expo](#)



TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Angela Hiley, Grants Coordinator
DATE: 9/1/26
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September 9,2026, Meeting

Carteret Community College Grant Status Report				
Grant Information			Grant Status	
Funding Organization	Purpose of Grant	Requested	Application Submitted	Status
GoldenLEAF (Stage 1)	Elect. & HVAC Instructional AV Equip WCCTT	\$205, 345	August 2026	Open
Burevitch Foundation	EAE Digital Literacy	\$28,950	July 2026	Open
Big Rock Foundation	Athletics	\$150,000	July 2026	Open
Firehouse Subs	SCBAs	\$31,048.24	July 2026	Open
Kenan Trust	Simulation Lab Training	\$46,000	June 2026 (LOI)	Open
Beaufort Ole Towne Rotary	LST supplies	\$2,500	April 2026	Awarded \$2,500
Lowes Foundation Cable Grant	WCCTT Capital	\$1,000,000	March 2026	Did not win
Cannon Foundation	WCCTT Capital	\$250,000	March 2026	Awarded \$200,000
Duke Energy	Community Resiliency – campus improvements	\$25,000	March 2026	Awarded \$25,000
AWS	WCCTT – Welding Equip.	\$47,640.93	March 2026	Did not win
Duke Energy	WCCTT – Electrical training equipment	\$24,825.00	February 2026	Did not win
Dollar General	Adult Literacy (CCR)	\$10,000	February 2026	Awarded \$10,000
AFFA	SAGA Club Support	\$4,000	January 2026	Awarded \$2,000
Firehouse Subs	First Responder Equipment	\$28,854.53	January 2026	Did not win
NC State & Local Cybersecurity Grant	Two firewalls & three-year support contract	\$98,982.24 (40% match)	November 2025	Awarded (\$59,389.34)
Truist Foundation	WCCTT Capital	\$100,000	November 2025	Awarded \$50,000
Sea Grant Aquaculture Legal/Regulatory/ Policy	Compliance Software App for Oyster Farmers	\$176,498	January 2025	Open
Sea Grant Aquaculture Internships	Aquaculture internships/partnerships	\$251,024	Revised/resubmitted January 2026	Open
NOAA – Fisheries Habitat Conversation Program	Building Capacity for Restorative Aquaculture & Resilient Coastal Communities in Eastern NC	\$9,995,823	April 2025	Open
Total 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Awards \$259,389.34				

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Cindi Goodwin Sr. Director, Operations and Facilities
DATE: August 25, 2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees Meeting September 9, 2026 – Facility and Operations Updates

- Industrial Trades Center: The building is taking shape!
 - Roofs of both buildings are on
 - Second floor slab is poured
 - Exterior masonry completed
 - HVAC air handlers delivered
 - Interior studs going up on first floor
 - Working with Brenda Reash on “column signing” schedule for donors
 - Exterior signage in design phase



- One-Door Phase IV – Automotive Relocation
 - Preliminary Planning for Automotive to move to McGee welding space continues
 - Evaluating infrastructure to support automotive program needs- focus on equipment
- McGee Boardroom
 - A facelift including paint, new carpet and a little pizzazz are in progress.
 - We anticipate the return to this room for the October board meeting
- NC DEQ Permit Modifications in progress
 - HCAC sidewalk and storage shed
 - McGee Navigation Center sidewalk to main entrance (expected response by August 27th)
 - Industrial Trades Center (Workforce Center) driveway entrance from Arendell
 -

O&F Team

- Operations & Facilities celebrated together for our annual “End of Summer Celebration.” Breakfast was prepared and served by the Executive Team to all maintenance, grounds, and custodial members to show our appreciation for all the work the team completed over summer.

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Amanda Bryant, Senior HR Director
DATE: August 28, 2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September 2026 Meeting

Recruiting/Hiring*

HR Specialist	Elizabeth Scheller	Michele Somogy DOH 8/10
Nursing Instructor- 12 month	Laura Russell	2 nd interview 9/3
Assistant Athletics Director	New	Posting closes 8/31
Instructional Affairs Coordinator	New	Interviews 9/4
Family Support Specialist	Marty Myers	Reposted 8/31
Payroll Accountant	Lynn Owens (11/1/26)	2 nd Interview 9/10

*Excludes Adjunct part-time, temporary job postings

Turnover Data:

Fiscal Year	FY27	FY26	FY25	FY24	FY23	FY22	FY21	FY20	FY19	FY18
New Permanent Hires	3	24	23	28	22	28	26	17	27	5
Internal Transfer/Promo	1	2	19	7	7	6	7	7	1	6
Total Hires	4	26	42	35	29	34	33	24	28	11
Retirement	2	1	8	9	7	11	9	4	2	4
Resignation	4	17	12	11	13	13	9	12	14	5
Involuntary resignation	0	4	2	3	2	3	6	2	3	1
Total Terms	6	22	22	23	22	27	24	18	19	10

Employee Headcount and Turnover

August Payroll Headcount		August Turnover	FY27 Turnover	Historical Turnover
F/T Perm Faculty	64	1.17%	3.51%	FY26: 12.87%
F/T Perm Staff	102			FY25: 12.99%
P/T Perm Faculty	1			FY24: 13.75%
P/T Perm Staff	3			FY23: 13.11%
Total Perm	170			FY22: 16.36%
Total Payroll	262			FY21: 14.57%

Recent Employee Departures

Name	Position	Date
Shannon Arthur	Nursing Instructor (12 month)	8/3
Laura Russell	Nursing Instructor (12 month)	8/31

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Curtis Gillikin, Director Campus Information Technology
DATE: August 31, 2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September Meeting

Highlights, Initiatives, and Projects Completed August 2026

- Went live with the Instructure Canvas Learning Management System (LMS) for all Fall semester courses. Provided ongoing LMS support to students and faculty.
- Deployed the following Learning Tools Interoperability (LTI) configurations in Canvas, which will allow the students and faculty to access the respective digital course materials, resources, and tools directly in Canvas:
 - Caduceus International Publishing
 - Copyleaks Plagiarism Checker Framework
 - Copyleaks Plagiarism Checker API
 - Copyleaks Plagiarism Checker AI Assessment Overview
 - Copyleaks Instructor Scan Tool
 - EdReady NROC
- Moved employee IT office equipment into the newly renovated McGee Navigation Center.
- Relocated MAPS computer lab from the second floor of McGee into the McGee Navigation Center.
- Deployed eight all-in-one computers for student use in the McGee Navigation Center.
- Relocated printers to the McGee Navigation Center.
- Stationed an IT Help Desk staff member in the McGee Navigation Center during peak hours to provide immediate technical support to students.
- Added duplicate technology to the new McGee reception desk to allow for a second receptionist. Installed a second badge printer, reception phone, and dual-monitor workstation.
- Moved Barbering instructor and classroom technology from the Smith building to the second floor of McGee.
- Deployed office workstations and phones for Spa Services adjuncts in McGee 250.
- Performed maintenance on college technology at the Leon Mann Jr. Senior Enrichment Center.
- Provided IT and AV Support for:
 - August 1st NC Coastal Federation Board Meeting
 - August 1st NC Coastal Federation 2026 Pelican Awards Ceremony
 - August 3rd National Charity League Event
 - August 4th Carteret County Public Schools New Hire Orientation
 - August 5th Beaufort Elementary Leaders Meeting
 - August 6th External Rental
 - August 12th Carteret County Public Schools Professional Development
 - August 19th Joslyn Hall Celebration for Vice President Perry Harker's 35th year of service at Carteret CC
 - August 20th League of Women Voters Women of Excellence Awards Ceremony
 - August 21st All Employee Meeting
 - August 23rd Young Men's Service League

IT Help Desk Incidents and Requests Resolved in August: 939

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TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Kristian Jenkins, Student Life
DATE: 8/31/2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees September 9th, 2026, Meeting



Fall Semester Kickoff

Student Life kicked off the fall semester with a full week of activities to welcome students back to campus, help them connect with others, and make sure they know about the resources available to

them at Carteret. Welcome Week included food, giveaways, activities, and welcome stations across campus.

Faculty and staff also helped us welcome students back by volunteering at our campus welcome tents and with the Kraken Care Cart. Their involvement helped create a welcoming atmosphere across campus during the first week of classes.

Campus & Community Partnerships

Love on a Leash visited campus on August 26, bringing three certified therapy dogs to the Bryant Student Center. Students were able to take a break between classes, spend time with the dogs, and enjoy a fun, relaxed environment on campus.

On August 31, Student Life hosted Kraken Connections in recognition of National Overdose Awareness Day. The PORT Team and Carteret County Health Department joined us on campus to connect with students and share information about resources and support available in our community.

Kraken Connections is an ongoing initiative between Student Life and the Counseling Center that brings campus and community partners directly to students in an informal, approachable setting. The goal is to make it easier for students to learn about resources, ask questions, and make connections with organizations that can support them both on and off campus.





Student Leadership & Engagement

This fall, a Carteret student was selected to participate in the League of Women Voters College Fellowship Program. Through the fellowship, the student is working alongside the League of Women Voters to gain hands-on experience with nonpartisan civic engagement, voter education, and community outreach, with a focus on finding ways to better connect with and engage younger voters.

Clubs & Student Organizations

Clubs & Grub will be held on Wednesday, September 2, and will give students a chance to meet our active clubs, learn more about what they do, and find ways to get involved on campus.

Additional updates on SGA activities and initiatives can be found in the Student Government Association report.

September Events in Student Life

September 2 – Clubs & Grub - 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Civic Center

September 9 – Make & Take - 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center

September 11 – 9/11 Anniversary Commemoration – 8:45 am – 9:30 am – McGee Lawn

September 14 – Game Day: Mario Kart & Mac - 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center

September 14th – 17th - Voter Registration Week - 9:00 am – 3:00 pm | Bryant Student Center & Wayne West

September 22 – Kraken Pop-Up Event - 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center

September 24 – Game Day: Board Games - 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center; **September 28** – SGA Senate Meeting - 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center, Rm 205

September 29 – Kraken Connections - Suicide Prevention Month 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center

September 30 – Make & Take - 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Bryant Student Center

TO: Carteret Community College Board of Trustees
FROM: Kendal Cooke
DATE: August 26th, 2026
SUBJECT: Board of Trustees Meeting, September 9th



Welcome Week — August 17th – August 20th: Students, faculty, and staff showed up and showed out for Welcome Week festivities! Throughout the week, students enjoyed Donuts & Coffee, Nachos, Pizza & Planners, and Popcorn & Popsicles. New and returning students asked questions, connected with others on campus, and enjoyed the information, swag, and treats provided throughout the week. Staff and faculty also helped serve food and communicate with students.

Overall, we interacted with roughly 250 students throughout Welcome Week.

“Nacho Average Semester” from Nachos Mexican Restaurant in Atlantic Beach was a tremendous hit with students. Students enjoyed a hot meal, grabbed CCC swag, and spent time connecting with others on campus.

Make & Take — August 26th: Our first Make & Take had a huge turnout! Students, staff, and faculty participated in creating their own bags, hats, and pencil cases with many inclusive patches. Approximately 70 students participated in our very first Make & Take, making it a big hit with everyone involved.



Upcoming Events

Clubs & Grub — Wednesday, September 2nd: Clubs & Grub will bring the campus together to celebrate the start of the semester while allowing students to explore different clubs and learn more about ways to get involved on campus. We are excited to connect students with different organizations and encourage more campus involvement, plus free food!



NC College Voter Summit — September 11th

SGA officers will also be attending the upcoming NC College Voter Summit at Elon University on September 11th. This summit is the longest-running state summit in the nation focused on nonpartisan campus election engagement. We are excited about the opportunity to attend, learn more about student engagement, and bring back new ideas.