NEW VIRTUAL ORIENTATION MODULES

New orientation modules were created to prepare new students for the Fall semester. Topics in the modules include mask guidelines, social distancing measures, hyflex classes and how to add them to your schedule. Information on how to find out about events, and more is provided. New students were notified the week of August 17th to access the modules on ccsu.goorientation.com.

AUGUST 24
FRESHMAN MOVE IN

@ 12 PM: Orientation Leaders Ola & Tia will be live on Instagram, talking to new students and welcoming them to campus.

They will also tell students about the OL Social Hours, the gifts that were left in their rooms, and the Big Prize giveaway for the social media contests.

@ 12:30 PM: Orientation Leader Jay is on campus, and will take videos and pictures of students moving in, and live chat on our social media pages.

@ 7:30 PM: OL Social Hour!

RESIDENT STUDENT PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

We are giving the following promotional materials to all freshmen living on campus, which will be in their rooms upon arrival:

- Water bottle filled with a lanyard and a phone wallet.
- A poster with our Social Media Challenge and Social Hour information stuffed into the water bottle.

We are teaming up with SALD/CAN to encourage commuter students to pick up their water bottles in a safe, socially distant way at on-campus Weeks of Welcome events.
ORIENTATION LEADER SOCIAL HOURS

Virtual on Teams: 8/24/20 - 9/4/2020

- Daily at 7:30pm for 2 weeks
- 4 Orientation Leaders will host each night
- Open to all new students, first-year and transfer
- Social in nature, networking opportunities for students

CLASS OF 2024 SCHOOL SPIRIT PHOTO CHALLENGE

Class of 2024 School Spirit Photo Challenge: to create school spirit among the Class of 2024

New students will be encouraged to use the #CCSUClassof2024 hashtag in order to be entered into the contest. There will be several categories to compete in:

- Most school spirit in a photo/video - winner receives an Echo Dot
- Most school spirit in a Tik Tok - winner has the choice to receive Airpods or an Apple Watch

This contest closes on Sunday, 8/30 at midnight. The winners are announced by Friday, 9/4 via on Instagram Live.

SOCIAL HOUR PRIZES

These events are open to transfer students and first-year students. In order to be entered into the contest, they must attend at least one OL Social Hour on weeknights at 7:30 PM.

Each time a student participates, they receive an additional entry to win a pair of Airpods Pro or Apple Watch.

Attendance is taken by OLs, and entries will be placed in overall drawing by NSP staff.

The winner will be announced on Monday, September 7 via Instagram Live.

BIG PRIZE GIVE-AWAYS

From 8/24/20 - 9/4/20

Social Media Challenge: our goal is to increase NSP’s following and be able to communicate with new students throughout the year.

New students will be encouraged to follow CCSU Orientation on Instagram. Next, on 8/24 and 8/25, NSP will select one freshman each day who follows the Instagram page as the contest winner. Each winner will receive an Echo Dot.
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 23**

**FANTASY FOOTBALL STARTS**

Students can sign up to be a part of the Central Activities Network (CAN) Fantasy Football Leagues. They are creating 4 leagues of various competitive levels that students can join directly on ESPN.com and register with CAN using links provided on Instagram.

They must register by August 29th as the draft begins on August 30th. The league continues through January, and the winners of each of the 4 leagues win a prize.

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**TUES. AUGUST 25**

**2:00 PM - 2:30 PM**

**NEW STUDENT CONVOCATION**

Convocation is the beginning of a new Blue Devils’ academic career as a student at CCSU. This virtual ceremony celebrates their achievements prior to college and will guide them to their next steps as new students.

The event featured student leaders, professors, and administrators welcoming the Class of 2024. New students submitted profile pictures and quick bios to be included in the opening slideshow.

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**WED. AUGUST 26**

**12:00 PM - 2:00 PM**

**RECENTRAL EVENT**

Students were able to play safe and socially distant lawn games in the parking lot next to the REC Center (previously tennis courts).

Students were able to listen to music and enjoy a smoothie from the LifeBowl CT food truck.

**THURS. AUGUST 27**

**12:00 PM - 1:00 PM**

**VIRTUAL SCAVENGER HUNT**

Students had the opportunity to hunt for clues from their rooms! CAN invited students to register for this online event and download the Goose Chase app. From the app, they took pictures and videos of found objects to win points. Extra points are given for the most creative pictures. Winners will receive e-gift cards.
This Hyflex event encourages students to log online to participate in Speed Trivia. Up to 20 students can also attend the event in person in the Semesters section of the Student Center.

Students will be asked 100 questions, with points being awarded for being correct and for speed. Ten students will have the opportunity to win e-gift cards based on the leader-board throughout the whole event. Questions covered many topics, including sports, musicals, and more.

The Involvement Fair will take place online using Microsoft Teams. New Students are the target audience for this event, in order to connect them with student organizations earlier than usual. Student leaders are signing up to host virtual booths in the Involvement Fair and will be able to talk over video conferencing technology and text chats.

Wellness Education will disseminate information on the need for masks, hand-washing, and social distancing to prevent the disease as well as public health being the greater good.

CAN is hosting 4 craft activities that span several decades. Pop-up tents will be spaced out around the Student Center Circle and 7 Centuries Courtyard, and host “take-and-make” craft kits to go. Crafts include tie-dying scrunchies, making dream catchers, friendship bracelets, and leather cord key chains. Care packages include nostalgic snacks such as Gushers and Fruit by the Foot.
The Student Wellness Education Center is co-hosting "Survey Says," an online game modeled after Family Feud. It also raises concerns about Opioid use.

Students will log in on Teams and be placed into groups to compete. Residential students can also join in the fun under the tent on Vance Lawn.

SA/LD will be sponsoring the Milkcraft Ice Cream truck at this event. Students can take their treat to-go or enjoy in the tent.

FRI. SEPTEMBER 4
ON INSTAGRAM
CCSU CONNECTED PHOTO CONTEST

CAN is hosting a photo competition on Instagram to encourage students to post pictures of how they are still connected to CCSU. They should tag @CAN_CCSU on Instagram in order to win prizes.

Tues. September 8
ALCOHOL CONCERNS FROM WELLNESS EDUCATION

The Student Wellness Education Center will share information with all students about alcohol poisoning and that possessing a fake ID is a felony. Students will learn about standard drink quantities and staying safe. Through Instagram we will ask students about the “Best of times and Worst of times” with alcohol.

WEDS. SEPTEMBER 9
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM
TOASTED MEET & GREET

CAN is hosting the Toasted sandwich food truck for lunch! Students can learn more about the Central Activities Network, and hopefully join their virtual meetings every Wednesday night at 7:30pm.
**SEPTEMBER 9 - 14 WELLNESS WORD SEARCH**

This activity, hosted by the Wellness Education Center, is designed to bring awareness to being well.

**STUDENT CENTER BREAKERS GAME ROOM**

The plan is for Breakers tournaments to be on ground in the game room & live streamed remotely for as many as possible to participate.

Our primary methods for advertising events will be through social media (Facebook and Instagram) as well as the Discord server and the Link.

We also plan to share information with Residence Life, CAN, and SALD “The Link” to encourage students to participate.

Beginning August 28th with the Breakers Foosball Tournament, there will be many tournaments throughout the Fall semester. Wednesday, September 9th 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Pool (Billiards) Tournament

Saturday, September 12th 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm UNO Tournament

**BREAKERS PROPOSED TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE FALL 2020**

Tuesday, September 22nd 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Connect 4

Thursday, October 1st 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Virtual FIFA XBOX

Saturday, October 3rd 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Pool

Friday, October 16th 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Ping Pong

Monday, October 26th 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Switch Mario Kart

Thursday, November 5th 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Battleship

**THURS. SEPTEMBER 10 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM MOVIE NIGHT - FOOTLOOSE**

Join CAN for a musical movie night on Vance Lawn. Sing along to "Footloose" as you enjoy this socially distant event.

Bring your own blanket, towel, or beach chair, and bug spray. CAN will be serving delicious kettle corn. Space is limited.
MARKETING AND PROMOTION OF COUNSELING SERVICES

Posting daily on social media page, creating promotional content to highlight counseling services, provide information about mental health, provide encouragement, and build resilience.

COUNSELING WEBINAR TOPICS FOR STUDENT, FACULTY & STAFF

Counselors to host webinars throughout the semester providing the campus community with education on mental health challenges students face, how to identify when students are struggling, and how to support students with mental health issues, as well as self-care, de-escalation training, and resilience building for students, faculty and staff.

DAILY MESSAGING ON TWITTER & INSTAGRAM

Wellness Education will have daily messaging go out to students to help them in different areas of their lives. Motivational Monday; Talk it out Tuesday; Wellness Wednesday; Thinking Thursday; Fun Fact Friday.

MAPPING YOUR SUCCESS @ CCSU

Counseling group being offered to incoming students to support their transition to the University. The group will focus on topics such as goal setting, academics, self-esteem, supportive relationships, protective factors.

Starting Sept 10th through December 3rd, group offered virtually weekly
ESPORTS CENTER VIRTUAL TOURNAMENTS

Online game experiences are where learners can develop skills in critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, information and media literacy. The first tournament will be Rocket League which is a high-powered hybrid of arcade-style soccer and vehicular mayhem with easy-to-understand controls and fluid, physics-driven competition. Described as “soccer, but with rocket-powered cars,” Rocket League involves two teams that use rocket-powered vehicles to hit a ball into their opponent’s goal and score points over the course of a match. www.rocketleague.com

Rocket League Tournament
Sept 9th – Rocket League tournament bracket (prizes for winners)

Upcoming Tournament Dates
Sept 18 – Double elimination tournament bracket (prizes for winners)
Oct 2nd – Double elimination tournament bracket (prizes for winners)
Oct 23 – Double elimination tournament bracket (prizes for winners)
Nov 6th – Double elimination tournament bracket (prizes for winners)
Nov 20th – Double elimination tournament bracket (prizes for winners)
Dec 4th – Double elimination tournament bracket (prizes for winners)

STUDENT UNION BOARD OF GOVERNORS

The Student Center’s development of students in student employment, student leadership or through experiences in the Student Center has created connection for students. Educational opportunity to put theory to practice is also available through leadership roles on the advisory board. The Student Union Board of Governors (SUBOG) provides opportunities for students to be involved in the decision making of space, services and programs within the Student Center and will meet as a full board once a month beginning in September. Advisory board members will serve on subcommittees: Budget, Student Services, and House.

We are currently seeking students to serve as representatives from: Student employees, Student Government Association, graduate students, commuter students, Inter Residence Council, Central Activities Network, and members at large of representative for special populations.
STUDENT CENTER - STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

The Student Center’s goal is to provide active learning experiences for students to apply and develop theory and knowledge from the classroom. Through these active learning experiences, students develop skills in confidence, self-authorship, communication, respect and compassion. In addition, the leadership employment program is based upon student development theory and the tenants of Service, Team, Autonomy and Responsibility.

Student Employment Active Learning Experiences

- Accounting Area – invoicing, accounts payable, reconciliation
- Breakers game room – management, team building, mathematics, statistics
- Call Center, Reception and Information Desk Services – communications, conflict resolution, management, hospitality and tourism
- Campus Assistants – systems thinking, management, collaboration, problem solving, communication
- Cooperative Education - Central Reservations Office – event planning, process management, communications, marketing, contracting
- Esports Center – critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, technology and media literacy
- Graphic Arts and Design – graphic arts, design, software applications, marketing, event promotion, web site development
- Managers Building – management, supervision, problem solving, risk management, conflict resolution
- Operations Managers – supervision, human resources, management, systems thinking
- Technical Support Services – lighting, technical services, customer support, problem solving, livestreaming

All student employees participate in training, in services and workshops to develop an understanding of diversity, inclusion, social justice and global awareness.

WELLNESS EDUCATION DAILY MESSAGING

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