



# 2025 NEWSLETTER

Newsletter

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*Sussex County Community College is excited to share our latest updates with our community.*

## Academics

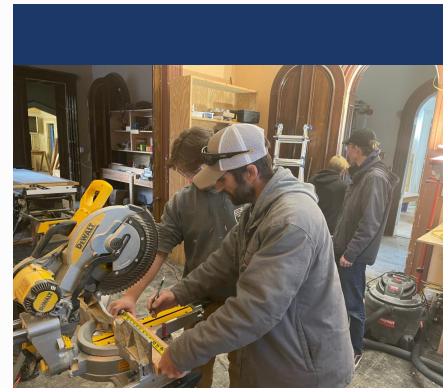
The College will be implementing a nationally recognized Kubota Technician Training Program. SCCC plans to launch the training series in the Fall of 2025. Students will receive training and certification in diesel and gasoline small engines, hydraulics, electrical, and suspension systems.

The College's Building Construction Trades program recently received the 2024 New Jersey Historic Preservation Award for its work in the ongoing retrofit and restoration of Horton Mansion.

The designs for developing the campus learning commons are complete, and the project is currently out to bid. It aims to create a dedicated space on campus that brings together all academic support services for students.

The College's Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Dept. will host high school students for an immersive STEM Day experience on the College's campus, with varied workshops designed to expose students to many programs and careers in the STEM industry.

The College will implement a Forklift Operator Training course to support the needs of community partners. The Forklift Operator



## Information Technology

The College is moving ahead with developing a standalone VPN for its off-network cybersecurity lab. This will allow students to remote into the lab to take online courses in the program and increase participation.

course will be available in the coming months.

The College, in partnership with Thorlabs, is excited to have awarded a bid to expand the Optics Technology Center. This grant-funded expansion will ensure adequate space for new equipment purchased through the American Center for Optics Manufacturing (AMERICOM).

The College is planning to run fiber to the PSTA in order to help with connectivity and to have the ability to expand services in the future.



## Athletics

Former students Arnold Young and Taron Gale have declared for the NFL Draft coming up in April. Both players were stand-outs on the football team two years ago and are attending four-year universities.

Former Men's Soccer player Kevin Fitzpatrick has been named the Deaf National Team Player of the Year by the United States Soccer Federation.

The John M. Kuntz Athletic Hall of Fame will be unveiled on February 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Athletic Building (E) Galleria. Light refreshments will be served, and everyone is invited.

The men's wrestling team is preparing for the Conference Championship, where we expect to be the second seed. The matches will take place on February 8 and 9. Later in February, we will also prepare for the Gulf Coast District Championship, scheduled at Lackawanna College. A significant achievement for the program

## Student Affairs/Campus Life

The College welcomed the new student ambassadors to campus for a full Spring semester training day.

The first new and transfer student orientation for the spring semester took place on Wednesday, January 15, and 35 new students were introduced to campus.

The Student Government Association (SGA) is moving ahead with plans to build a community garden on campus. The goal of the community garden is to bring the community together with the campus.

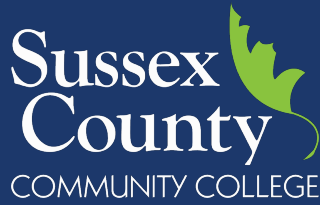
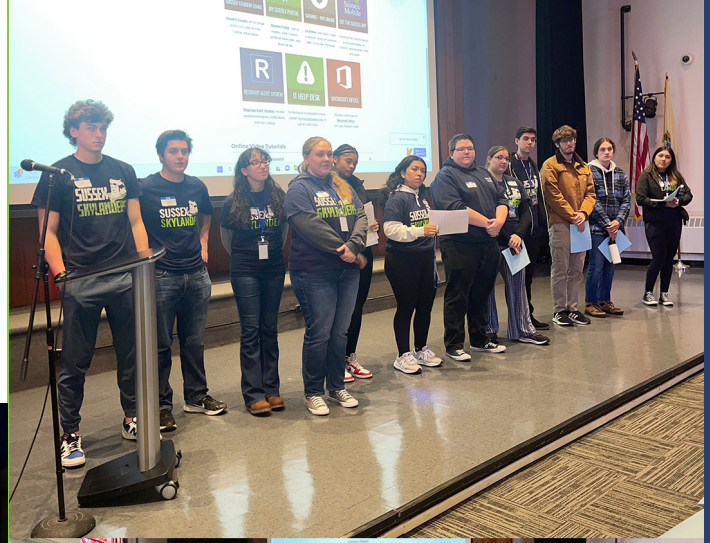
Dr. Homer will visit Foundations' classrooms that enroll new students for the spring semester to stop and say hello.

There will be a "Cookies with the President" event on January 30 for all students and a student-veteran meet and greet at the beginning of February.



was recently defeating two four-year universities for the first time in the College's history. The men's team is having another great season.

The Women's Wrestling program is progressing well; we have an invitational at Frostburg State University, followed by the National Invite in March.



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