



Submit your news and events to ppcc.edu/publicity-request by Friday, August 20 at 5 pm for the Aug. 30-Sept. 12 issue.

FREE Textbooks

This academic year, all required textbooks for degree and certificate seeking PPCC students will be free thanks to a new partnership between PPCC and Slingshot.

"We are systematically taking away every barrier to education. We have ten times more financial aid than ever before, we have more advisors, tutors and success coaches to help students succeed, and now we have free textbooks, so students can actually be ready to hit the ground running when classes start. This is huge," said PPCC President Lance Bolton.

The free textbook program will be valid for the 2021/22 school year. This offer does not extend to concurrent high school students, most of whom get free textbooks paid by their school districts.

More info: ppcc.edu/freebooks



EVENTS

Aug. 4, 17 & 31

ACADEMIC PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSIONS

Join us for these free events to learn more about specific academic programs. You will receive the link to attend the virtual session after you register.

Register: ppcc.edu/visit-campus

Culinary and Hospitality Management

August 4 | Virtual, 6-7 pm

Certified Nursing Assistant

August 17 | Virtual, 6-7 pm

Certified Nursing Assistant

August 31 | Virtual, 6-7 pm

Sat/Aug. 7

PET CPR FIRST AID

Learn how to perform CPR, the Heimlich maneuver and treat/recognize cardiovascular, respiratory, illnesses and trauma emergencies. This course is hands-on, informational, and appropriate for all ages. *Cost: \$35 per person. Open to community.*

Register online. First Saturday of every month
Centennial Campus | 10 am-noon

Sat/Aug. 14

SUCCESS SATURDAY: LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Need flexibility, connection, and a positive atmosphere? The ENG/PSY learning communities are the answer. They provide live, flexible discussion, access to instructors outside of traditional class time, bring content to life with real-world application and more. Join us on Facebook Live where we will discuss all the benefits of a learning community. *Info: Dakota.Promise@ppcc.edu*

Facebook Live | 3-4 pm

Sat/Aug. 14

SUCCESS SATURDAY: STUDENT FEES EXPLAINED

In partnership with Student Government this workshop will break down tuition fees. We'll explain how club involvement, college events, and various resources are all incorporated into student fees.

Info: Dakota.Promise@ppcc.edu

Facebook Live | 4-5 pm

SCHOLARSHIPS

SHOT AT A SCHOLARSHIP

Amazon will be awarding 25 \$1,000 scholarships for Colorado Community College students attesting to be fully vaccinated.

August 12-29 | Learn more and apply at: CCCS.edu

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DONATIONS NEEDED

The Community Table, PPCC's food pantry program, is looking for donations for toiletries, school supplies, and some food items. Donations can be dropped off at the Community Table or any Student Life Desk at any campus.

FREE FOOD FOR STUDENTS

The Community Table food pantry is open and free to all students, faculty, and staff and only a PPCC ID is requested at check-in.

It is located at the Centennial Campus, A-312 and is open Monday-Thursday, 10 am-3 pm. For more info on this or to access other basic needs, visit the [website](#).

CPR: IMPORTANT COURSE CHANGE

Students who are required to take an American Heart Association Heart Saver CPR AED First Aid course now must take HWE 175 because HWE 103 is no longer available.

Register on the PPCC portal under > Health and Wellness > HWE 175 > Special Topics

COVID-19 TESTING

The PPCC Rampart Range Campus testing site has relocated to Chapel Hills Mall. The new location will continue the same schedule with testing available seven days a week from 8 am to 6 pm. *Anyone interested in obtaining a COVID test can check the [El Paso County Public Health website](#) for additional locations.*

GET ANSWERS FAST

Do you have questions but don't know where to go for answers? Questions like how to apply for financial aid, locate scholarships, get a federal student loan out of default, re-enroll into college to finish a degree you started, locate a GED program, or locate apprenticeships? *Contact the TRIO Educational Opportunity Center at 719-549-2475. They will refer you to the best office on campus to help or provide services directly.*

FOOD SERVICE ON CAMPUS

Food service will return to the Rampart and Centennial campuses on August 16 with grab and go items. Full service (hot grill and made to order food) will resume starting August 30. Downtown will not have service due to construction.

KUDOS



PPCC zookeeping students are collaborating with Colorado Parks and Wildlife to install bluebird nest boxes. This initiative monitors nesting success of western bluebirds and tree swallows. It allows our students to participate in local conservation as citizen scientists.

Congratulations Jaycie Allen! Jaycie has been selected out of 900 applicants as a 2021 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholar and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Phi Theta Kappa members around the country are selected based on outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated leadership potential.