



The Splinter

Information for ACC Students –12/2/21

Welcome to Fall 2021 Semester, Lumberjacks

Look for a new Splinter every week of the semester - it contains information about all things ACC: processes, deadlines, department information, club activities, policies, and other items that are of interest to students. A link is posted on our website www.alpenacc.edu in the Calendar & Events section and sent to all ACC email addresses. Several copies are distributed around campus. Please take a few minutes during the week to review it.

Course Withdrawal Deadline: Complete Withdrawal (all courses W Grades) is Friday, December 10.

Early Registration opened for Spring 2022 (returning students) on **Monday, October 25**.

Spring Graduation (Early Review) Application deadline was due to the Registrar's Office by **Friday, November 5**. Graduation applications are available in the Registrar's Office or on Self-Service.

Final Instructional Week for Fall 2021 begins Monday, December 13. Exam schedules are available in the Registrar's Office and the Student Services Center in Van Lare Hall. The schedule is also available on ACC's website by clicking on the tab for Calendar & Events.

The FAFSA for the 2022-2023 school year is available as of October 1, 2021.

ACC Bookstore is open Monday through Thursday 8:30am–5pm, Friday 8:30am–2pm.

ACC Bookstore Holiday Sale is November 29-December 23 – 50% off regular priced clothing and regular priced gift items. Ornaments, plush, jewelry, books, candles, glassware – all make great stocking stuffers! Free gift wrapping!

Ugly Sweater Open Skate

Wednesday, December 8, 2021 -6-7:50pm. - Northern Lights Arena - 751 Woodward Ave, Alpena, MI 49707

Join Student Leadership Commission for an Ugly Sweater Open Skate! This event is FREE for all ACC students and their families! Free skate rental is also included. Judging for the Best Worst Sweater will begin at 7pm. The top three winners will receive a \$20 gift certificate to the ACC Bookstore. For questions contact Meghan Cameron at cameronm@alpenacc.edu.

The Student Nurses Association is holding a Manikin Naming Fundraiser! You have an opportunity to help support nursing students while also leaving your mark at ACC. Every \$1 donated will equal 1 vote (pocket change is accepted). The winners will be announced at the end of the semester. To vote: Stop by the basic nursing lab in VLH 125 & 127 to submit name ideas and vote for your favorite. Contact the Student Nurses Association (SNA) at sna@myacc.alpenacc.edu with any questions.

Bottle Drive - SNA is also hosting a bottle drive for the rest of the semester. Containers will be located in Van Lare Hall, the Electrical Power Technology Center, the World Center for Concrete Technology, the Fine Arts Center, and the Besser Tech Student Commons.

ACC offers a free Food Pantry for students. The pantry is located in Besser Technical Center, near Room 120. There are non-perishable items along with refrigerated foods. No proof of need is required. Take what you need, but please don't abuse it.

Mental health counseling services are available to all ACC students, free of charge. Carey Schiller, MSW, is available to meet with students in person, via telehealth or phone on Fridays from 10am-noon. Her office is located in the World Center for Concrete Technology, Room 110C. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please email counseling info@alpenacc.edu or call 989.358.7296.

Not sure what career is best for you? Try out Career Coach! [Take a career assessment](#) that matches you with careers and explore pathways that match your interests. This service is free!

Michigan Transfer Network – www.mitransfer.org - For ACC listing of equivalencies, other college's equivalencies, and college information check out the Michigan Transfer Network website.

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ACC Testing Center, Student Success Center in VLH 101

Monday 9:30am-noon and 1pm-4:30pm, Tuesday 1pm-6pm, Wednesday 8am-noon and 1pm-4pm, Thursday 10am-2pm and 3pm-7pm, and Friday 9am-1pm. Hours are subject to change. Appointments are mandatory. Photo ID is required for testing. Contact Beth Matzke at 989-358-7209 or matzkeb@alpenacc.edu.

ACC Oscoda Campus Student Success Center, Testing Center, Computer Lab Room 206

Monday 9am-3pm, Tuesday noon-5:30pm, Wednesday 2pm-7pm, Thursday 2pm-7pm and Friday 9am-2pm. Schedule testing appointments as computer space is limited and hours may occasionally vary. Photo ID is required prior to testing. Contact Patrice Billiel at (989) 358-7445 or billielp@alpenacc.edu.

Student Success Center VLH 101

Your place for free tutoring, proofreading, workshops, and general question-answering. Also, get help with Self-Service, BlackBoard, and Microsoft Office 365. We are always looking for good tutors and we pay! Stop by the Student Success Center or call Colleen Jacobs at 989-358-7270 or Morgan Hardies at 989-358-7408.

Fredrick T. Johnston Wellness Center is open Monday-Thursday 6:30am-6:30pm; Friday 6:30am-2pm; Saturday 8am-noon. Please feel free to contact at 989-358-7391 with any questions or best times to meet your fitness needs.

Stephen H. Fletcher Library, Newport Center Building Room 111

Monday-Wednesday 7:30am-8pm; Thursday 7:30am-5pm; Friday 7:30am-4pm; Saturday & Sunday noon-4pm. Contact the library for information on requesting special hours or sessions.

@myacc.alpenacc.edu All ACC students receive a college email address and Office 365®. Official communication will be sent to this email account. Be sure to get yours set up and check it regularly.

ACC Photo ID Card Stop in the Student Success Center VLH 101 with photo identification and get your ACC ID card. Then flash it around town to receive your special discounts!

Self-Service is an online tool to perform the majority of your essential college tasks: registering for classes, viewing grades or the course catalog, applying for graduation, retrieving financial information, and more. Follow the **S** link on the college home page or go directly to <https://selfservice.alpenacc.edu/>. Contact the Help Desk for assistance at helpdesk@alpenacc.edu, (989) 358-7374, or stop in CTR 108.

Parking Permits are free – but required. Be sure to get yours from the Facilities Office BTC 101. Parking permits are now mandatory at the Oscoda Campus. Students can get their student IDs and parking permits in Room 206 at the Oscoda Campus, and they are valid at both campuses.

Class Cancellation & Campus Closure Information - Get the scoop on communication methods, notice locations, and more at <http://discover.alpenacc.edu/calendar/cancellations.php>.



The Splinter is posted to the college website www.alpenacc.edu weekly during the semester.

Special THANK YOU! Edition

2021 was a tough, unusual, challenging, frustrating, inspirational and innovation-driving year. As we worked our way through it, we realized that “*getting back to normal*” was something that we would have to invent almost daily. However, the Alpena Community College Oscoda Campus made progress in many areas and, as a result, it is time for this special What Next THANK YOU edition.

- To Alexis, Sydney, Theresa and Jessica for helping other students as Academic Planning panelists.
- To instructors and regional businesses who helped initiate the first EQUIP YOUR WORKFORCE continuous improvement series of ACC courses.
- To Hale, Tawas, Whittemore-Prescott, Alcona, Augres-Sims and Oscoda Schools for supporting the first ever EDUCATION SHADOWING WEEK.
- To Dr. Thomas Dowling and Roger Wood for sharing their wisdom during our rekindled ACC TALKS events.
- To regional businesses and organizations for creating a Northeast Michigan Human Resources Cooperative and participating in our first JUST JOBS WEEK.
- To Patrice Billiel, Brenda Herman, Jackie Krawczak, Carey Schiller and Michael Nunnely for facilitating in-person professional development sessions for students and the community.
- To Chris, Patrice, Theresa, Cathy and several nursing candidates for representing ACC at this year’s Paul Bunyan Festival in Oscoda.
- To the regional Alternative Education Academy for helping to pilot our first Industrial Careers Exploration class.
- To the multiple ACC dual enrolled/early middle college students who served as a unique “advisory committee” to help create the Lumberjack Starter Kit.
- To Dr. Scott McAlindon Dentistry, Oscoda Schools, NEMSCA, Ascension, Medilodge and Hale Hardware for serving as this year’s BUSINESSES OF THE MONTH.

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SPECIAL DATE REMINDERS

- December 13-16 — Final Instruction Week
- December 20 — Oscoda Offices Close for Holidays
- January 1, 2022 — Happy New Year!
- January 4 — ACC Offices Reopen
- January 10 — ACC Staff Development Day, offices closed
- January 11 — New Student Orientation @ 1:00 pm
- January 12 — New Student Orientation @ 5:00 pm
- January 17 — Spring Semester Begins



Finally, WHAT NEXT for ACC's Oscoda Campus?

- For sure a SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES session in February!
- Possibly a session on Banking/Borrowing/Budgeting (In the Modern World)
- Remember that ENTREPRENEURSHIP is our priority topic for the March 2022 ACC TALKS!