

**The Guiding Axe**  
Weekly Campus  
Newsletter  
March 12, 2026



**ALPENA**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**WELCOME**

**LUMBERJACKS**

### Campus Reminders

- ✓ **March 27<sup>th</sup>** – Last day to withdraw from an individual course
- ✓ **March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Spring Break  
– No classes; offices open for normal hours.
- ✓ **April 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Good Friday; College Closed
- ✓ **April 10<sup>th</sup>** – Applications for the Nursing Program DUE



### Cashier's Office

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Check Disbursement – March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (Only to students with one semester loans).

\*Check pickup is between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

### **Stephen H. Fletcher Library**

Looking for a quiet place to study or work on assignments? Visit the **Stephen H. Fletcher Library** in the **Newport Center, Room 111.**

#### **Hours:**

- Monday–Wed.: 8:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.
- Thursday: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Friday: 8:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- Saturday: Closed
- Sunday: Closed

Need special access or want to schedule a session with a librarian? Contact the library for more information: [acclrc@alpenacc.edu](mailto:acclrc@alpenacc.edu)





A CLOSER LOOK AT

# ACC Campus

## MYACC PORTAL

Find the link at the top of our ACC homepage, or click here: [ACC Main Homepage](#) and you will see it at the top right. If you need assistance, please contact OIT Help Desk at (989)358-7374, [helpdesk@alpenacc.edu](mailto:helpdesk@alpenacc.edu) (students) Or [tech-support@alpenacc.edu](mailto:tech-support@alpenacc.edu) (staff)

**Email:** Don't miss important updates! Check your student email regularly for class announcements, deadlines, and campus events that need your attention.

**Laptop Rentals:** Stop by OIT if you are in need of a laptop, rentals are \$75 for the semester. If you have Financial Aid leftover, you can use this towards the laptop rental.

**Parking Permits:** Parking permits are **free but required** for all students and staff. Be sure to pick yours up from the **Facilities Office (BTC 101)** on the Alpena Campus.

Students at the **Oscoda Campus** can obtain both their **student ID and parking permit in Room 206**. Permits issued at either campus are valid at **both locations**.





“Be Kind To  
Your Mind.”

## Student Counseling Services

### Free, Confidential Mental Health Counseling

As the semester winds down, it’s normal to feel a mix of stress, fatigue, and pressure to finish strong. You don’t have to handle it all on your own. Our counselor, **Carey M. Schiller, LMSW**, is here to help. Whether you’re feeling overwhelmed, need someone to talk to, or just want strategies to manage stress and stay balanced, support is available. Carey offers a safe, judgment-free space to focus on your well-being and find ways to take care of yourself both in and out of the classroom. Don’t wait until finals feel too heavy—reach out and take advantage of this **FREE resource**.

With a strong background in crisis work and a passion for helping young adults, Carey earned a double major in Psychology and Individual & Family Relations from the University of Wisconsin. She has owned and operated Northern Therapeutic Center in Alpena for the past 10 years.

Carey’s office is located in the World Center for Concrete Technology, room 110C. *Click the link above to request an appointment.*

If you are experiencing a mental health crisis,  
please call 1-800-273-8255 or dial 911.

## Fredrick T. Johnston Wellness Center

Stay active and recharge at the  
**Fredrick T. Johnston Wellness Center.**

### Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 6:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m.

Friday: 6:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

For questions or to find the best times  
to meet your fitness goals,  
contact the Wellness Center at **989-358-7391**.

“Show up for yourself”

# Student Success Center

VLH 101 -Alpena or Computer Lab Room 307 – Oscoda

- Tutoring
- Proofreading
- Workshops
- Computers/Printers
- Comfortable Study Locations
- Referrals to other ACC services
- Ask about becoming a Tutor!

For testing arrangements in Alpena, contact **Beth Matzke at (989) 358-7209** or [matzkeb@alpenacc.edu](mailto:matzkeb@alpenacc.edu)

For testing arrangements in Oscoda, contact **Patrice Billiel at (989) 358-7445** or [billielp@alpenacc.edu](mailto:billielp@alpenacc.edu).

## Phi Theta Kappa

If you've achieved a strong GPA and are looking to get more involved, PTK is a great way to connect.

- Leadership Skills
- Scholarships
- Career Support
- Networking

If interested please connect with Rob Mills: [millsr@alpenacc.edu](mailto:millsr@alpenacc.edu), they meet every Friday in BTC 126 at 2:00 p.m.



# Food Pantry

**Food Pantry** - Great news! The Food Pantry is fully restocked with lots of snacks, as well as fresh items in the refrigerator and freezer. You'll also find additional dry goods like macaroni and cheese, spaghetti sauce, and more, and a student-friendly recipe book is available to help inspire easy meals. The Food Pantry is open to all students and is located in the Besser Technical Center near room 121.

If you need any assistance or have any questions please contact **Lisa Blumenthal at (989) 358-7296** or by email at [blumentl@alpenacc.edu](mailto:blumentl@alpenacc.edu)

## Jack's Rack

**Jack's Rack** - Our free on-campus clothing resource for students. Whether you're preparing for a job interview or simply need warm winter gear, feel free to stop by and pick out what you need to feel confident, comfortable, and prepared.





**ACC OSCODA CAMPUS  
WHATNEXT**  
March 2026



## MARCH

Ideas Unlimited Live!

Monday - March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Noon

Each month a new Guest Presenter tells us their story and insight on their entrepreneurial journey. This month is **Jeremiah Tietz of Wilderness Trails Zoo** in Birch Run, MI. Join virtually or in person - Room 301.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- March 9<sup>th</sup> Creative Welding Start
- March 16<sup>th</sup> Early Registration Opens for Continuing Students
- March 18<sup>th</sup> Advising Day- No Classes – Offices Open
- March 30 – April 3 Spring Break – No Classes
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Good Friday College Closed
- March 31<sup>st</sup> Job Fair
- April 1<sup>st</sup> ACC TALKS 6 pm

## Just **JJ** Jobs

Business of the Month

### Alcona Health Center

Check Out the Just Jobs Outlet and Student Lounge Room 210 for their information.

## ALL SEMESTER

- Free Tutoring
- Free Classwork Copy Assistance
- Free Computer Access
- Room 307 Student Success Center

## ACC TALKS

- April 1<sup>st</sup>
- 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- Room 213
- Agri-Business 2030

## LIFE AFTER HS GRADUATION

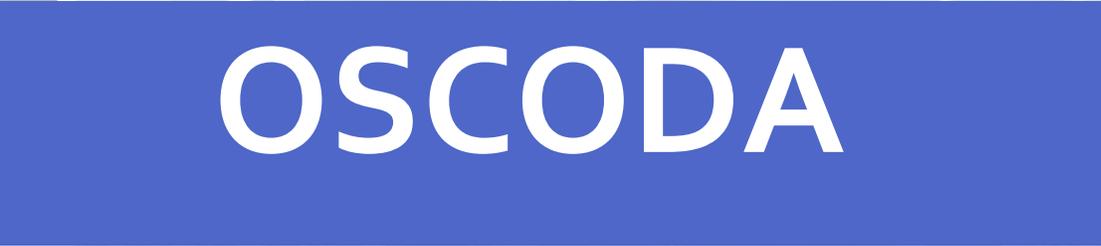
The latest series covers Telemedicine with ACC's very own Doug Mayo.

**Did you know?** Telehealth is one of the fastest -growing healthcare services. Scan the code to check it out!



Nursing Applications are available and due **April 10<sup>th</sup>**. Available in the front lobby or in the main office, Room 211. TEAS Study Guides are available in the student success center, Room 307.





# OSCODA



## In your own backyard

### *Spring Forward – Feeling Fresh*

#### **Refresh Your Routine**

Open the windows, adjust your sleep schedule after the time change, take advantage of that sunlight.

#### **Reset Your Mindset**

Set one new goal for the remainder of the semester, declutter your workspace, practice a quick daily gratitude check.

#### **Recharge Your Body**

Stay hydrated – It's easy to forget in cooler weather. Choose energizing snacks like fruit, nuts or yogurt. Stretch between classes or meetings to boost circulation.

#### **Refresh Your Academic Focus**

Review your syllabi and note upcoming deadlines. Visit tutoring and student success center if you are in need. Form a study group to stay motivated.

### **STUDENT SUCCESS**

We are proud to recognize four dedicated students who successfully completed their Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training. They are now eligible to sit for the state certification exams – an exciting step toward careers in healthcare and service to our community.

***Congratulations to these future caregivers for their hard work and commitment!***

