The Guiding Axe
Weekly Campus Newsletter
November 6, 2026



ALPENA
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WELCOME

"The Guiding Axe" will serve as your go-to source for important updates and reminders from across the campus.

CLASS WITHDRAW

NOVEMBER 6

LAST DAY TO DO AN *INDIVIDUAL CLASS* WITHDRAWAL

Nursing Applications 2027

Due November 10th

SVSU On Campus

November 9
10am-12pm
Outside of Nursing Office – VLH 126
SVSU Swag available stop by and ask questions!



PHI THETA KAPPA

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

PTK has a nonprofit mission to recognize and promote student academic achievement. PTK provides opportunities to cultivate professional and leadership skills, secure scholarships, explore diverse career paths, and build a network of supportive peers.

If interested please connect with Rob Mills: millsr@alpenacc.edu, they meet every Thursday in BTC 126 at 2pm.



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–Friday: 8 a.m.– 4:30 p.m.

Note: Special hours or sessions during the evening and weekends will be provided as per faculty request, student petition, or other group requests; a notice of one week will be needed.





KEEP UP THE MOMENTUM, Lumberjacks!

ACC MISC.



Fall 2026 **Work-Study Positions** NOW OPEN! Job Postings can be viewed on the bulletin outside of the Financial Aid Office. For further inquiry, please contact Kristen Schnell at 989-358-7286 or stop by the Financial Aid Office (VLH 107).

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 the OIT Help Desk at (989) 358-7374 or **tech-support@alpenacc.edu**



Laptop Rentals: Laptop rentals are available for $75. If you are in need, please go see the OIT office.

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**.

Students get **FREE** admission to the Besser Museum; just show your school ID.



Student Counseling Services

Free, Confidential Mental Health Counseling

Starting a new semester can bring a mix of excitement, stress, and everything in between. That is totally normal! Our counselor, Carey M. Schiller, LMSW, is here to help. Whether you're feeling overwhelmed, want someone to talk to, or just need a few tips to handle stress and stay balanced, we've got you covered. Our counselor offers a safe, judgment-free space where you can focus on your well-being and learn ways to take care of yourself both in and out of the classroom. Don't wait until things feel too heavy; reach out and take advantage of this **FREE** support that is here for you.

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.



Student Success Center

CTR 111 -Alpena or Computer Lab Room 307 – Oscoda

Need a little extra help this semester? The Student Success Centers at both Alpena and Oscoda campuses are here for you! Whether you're looking for free tutoring, proofreading, or just some extra guidance, we can help you stay on track.

We also offer workshops and support for you. If you're in Alpena, stop by the Student Success Center or call **(989) 358-7270** to learn more—or even ask about becoming a paid tutor! Don't forget, while you're here, to get your photo **ID card or for returning students, your new ID card**. Then flash it around town to receive special discounts.

In Oscoda, the Student Success Center is open **Monday 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m., Tuesday 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m., Wednesday 11:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m., Thursday 1:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m., and Friday 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.** Testing appointments should be scheduled ahead of time since computer space is limited, and don't forget your photo ID! For questions or testing arrangements, contact **Patrice Billiel at (989) 358-7445** or billielp@alpenacc.edu.

The Market- Now Open

Struggling to afford food? We are here to help!

We created The Market at ACC because when students worry about where their next meal is coming from, they can't focus on their studies.

All items are free and available to any ACC student, including early college and dual-enrolled students. Students must present a student ID to access the pantries.

The Market locations:

- Besser Technical Center, Room 106 (Requires student ID)
- Campus Park Apartments - Laundry Room (Requires student ID)
- Van Lare Hall - Nursing wing
- Oscoda Campus (Requires student ID)



Frederick 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**.

ACC OSCODA CAMPUS
WHATNEXT
November 2026



ALPENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE OSCODA CAMPUS

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 3 Advising Day- No Classes – Offices Open - New Student Orientation 1:00 PM

November 4 New Student Orientation 5:00 PM

November 6 Last day for Individual Course Withdraw

November 10 Ideas Unlimited Live

November 16 No Classes

November 26, 27 Thanksgiving Break – College Closed

December 1 ACC TALKS

IDEAS UNLIMITED

November 10th at 12:00 pm

Join us to hear from Lewis Bender Ph.D. about Teams and Trends. Scan the QR code to join us virtually!

THE MARKET at ACC

Across from the Student Lounge – Room 213B.

MyMichigan has provided receipe cards for meals on a budget!

Checkout the Slow Cooker Chicken Tacos or make a cozy fall dessert, Apple Crisp!

Student Lounge - Room 210

Business of the Month
- Check out the opportuntities!

Question of the Week
- Stop in and join in on the campus question of the week!

Student Clothing Boutique
- In need of some professional wear? Stop in and check out the lightly worn clothing for both men and women.

SPRING 2027 REGISTRATION

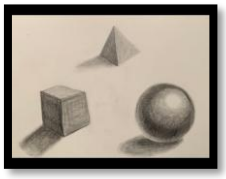
You can now register for your Spring 2027 courses. If you need to check on your course plan, this is the time to make an appointment with your advisor!

OSCODA ART CLASSES

Holiday Mosaic Christmas Tree November 5 and 12 5:30 – 8:30 pm
Cost $100



Drawing 101
November 23, 30 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Cost $40



Contact the Main Office to sign up!

Advisors are on campus for the following programs:
- Anthropology
- Education
- Geography
- History
- Biology
- Chemistry
- General Sciences
- Natural Sciences
- LPN
- RN

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NURSING PROGRAM

Nursing Applications are available and due **November 10th**. Available in the front lobby or in the main office, Room 211 or with Mrs. Rowden. HESI Study Guides are available in the student success center, Room 307, to be checked out from Mrs. Billiel.

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In your own backyard

Spark Tank Challenge Winners!!

- Addy's Wildflower Jewelry winning $1,300.00
- Penguin Chillers winning $750.00
- Sip N Chill winning $750.00



These young entrepreneuers sumbitted a five minute pitch video to audition for the Spark Tank Challenge. They were selected and performed a live pitch for 3 judges from our community. They were scored on the following categories: Uniqueness, Impact Potential, Customer Need, Competition, Development Speed, Cost Per Item, Marketability, Timeless or Short-Term, Labor Force Need and Easily Copied.



These young entrpreneuers each took home winnings to put towards their future goals and dreams behind their business. Congratulations! Thank you to the sponsors who made this possible!



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