

# NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## NCC's Summer and Fall Registration is Open!

By NCC

BETHLEHEM, PA – Registration is open for students interested in attending Northampton Community College (NCC) this summer or fall. With a multitude of options to choose from, students can enroll in the courses they need to reach their goals this summer and plan ahead as they look forward to fall.

Summer classes are available in 4, 6 and 10 week accelerated sessions between May-August. Classes are offered online, on campus and in a hybrid format (part online, part on campus) to give students the flexibility they need to fit their busy schedules while still allowing them time to enjoy the warm weather. View the summer course list here.

Summer Sessions for 2023:

Summer 1: May 22 - July 6

Mid-Summer: June 5 - August 9

Summer 2: July 10 - August 22

4-Week Summer 1 (100% Online): June 5 - July 1

4-Week Summer 2 (100% Online): July 17 - August 12

In addition to building out summer schedules, students can get a jumpstart on choosing their fall classes as well. Our fall options include a traditional 14-week semester as well as accelerated and late start options. Fall classes feature the same flexible formats to suit different learning styles. Find all fall courses here.

If you need assistance applying, choosing the right classes or have questions about Financial Aid, make an appointment with our enrollment services team, or take advantage of walk-in hours at one of our campus locations. You can reach our admissions team at [adminfo@northampton.edu](mailto:adminfo@northampton.edu).

## Voters of the Bangor School District

It's time to vote for your School Board Directors. Toni Lynch is running for re-election to the board. Having attended School Board Meetings over the last 10 years I have found Toni to be well versed in board matters. In an effort to fully understand curriculum concerns he made it a point to read The Common Core curriculum. He is vested and present in making sure students needs are met while being fiscally responsible. Toni brings to the board his business acumen, a working knowledge of the concerns of the Slate Belt, vested interest in education while making every effort to keep the district moving forward. As a member of the Buildings and Grounds committee, the district will continue to see savings through his extensive knowledge of building construction, budgeting, and energy efficiency. He asks the tough questions, does his research and keeps his finger on the pulse of the students, district and the community. His re-election will ensure the district is moving in the right direction. To make sure this happens you have to do your part and vote in the May 16th Primary.

***Due to an error in filing, Republicans will have to write in Toni Lynch's name when you vote. Toni's name will appear on the Democratic ticket. May 16th, vote Toni Lynch for Bangor School Board.***

## Annamarie T. Robertone for Bangor School Board 2023

You must do the things you think you cannot do" - Eleanor Roosevelt

## ICYMI: Rep. Susan Wild Speaks About Child Care for Working Families Act on House Floor

By Olivia Taylor-Puckett

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Last week, Congresswoman Susan Wild spoke on the House floor about the urgency of passing the Child Care for Working Families Act, her recently introduced bill to tackle the child care crisis in Pennsylvania's 7th district and across the country.

"I distinctly remember the panic when I had to bring my very active toddler son to court with me because his pre-school was suddenly closed," said Congresswoman Susan Wild on the House floor. "The Child Care for Working Families Act...would help open more care providers and lower costs for parents, capping costs at 7% of a family's income Putting money back in parents' pockets, raising wages for hardworking care providers, and giving kids more quality early childhood education – that's working for people."

Rep. Susan Wild, U.S. Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and U.S. Representative Robert C. "Bobby" Scott (D-VA-03), Ranking Member of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce reintroduced their Child Care for Working Families Act last week, comprehensive legislation to tackle the child care crisis and ensure families can find and afford the high-quality child care they need – a critically important step in addressing the child care crisis in Pennsylvania's 7th district.

### The Child Care Crisis in Pennsylvania's 7th District:

80% of child care programs in Lehigh County and 96% in Northampton County reported staffing shortages, resulting in a combined 1,500 children placed on waiting lists.

The median yearly price for child care in each county in PA-07 has increased since before the COVID-19 pandemic, according to the Department of Labor.

Lehigh County

2018 median yearly price: \$9,880

2022 median yearly price: \$11,004

Northampton County

2018 median yearly price: \$10,140

2022 median yearly price: \$11,293

Carbon County

2018 median yearly price: \$7,540

2022 median yearly price: \$8,398

Child care workers in the Allentown area make just \$28,000 to \$32,000 per year, while the average starting salary for teachers is \$52,000 – and these low wages contribute to staff shortages, fueling the child care crisis.

According to Charles Dinofrio, president and CEO of Lehigh Valley Children's Centers, the organization has suffered staff shortages because child care workers in the Lehigh Valley have been able to find higher wages elsewhere since the pandemic.

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## Save the Forest Festival

Grist Mill Park, Hellertown

Sunday, May 7 • 2pm - 6pm

Live Music, Food Trucks, Kids' Activities, & More

*\*All proceeds directly benefit efforts to save 275 acres of forest from landfill expansion.*