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# CHILI COOK-OFF

**BEST CHILI WINS!** 11 AM - 2PM  
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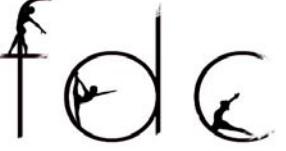
**September 28, 2024**  
First 50 Guests Receive a Detzi's Tavern gift card!

**GIVEAWAYS!**  
Children's Activities  
Tours  
Touch-a-Truck  
Wildlife Show at 11:30 AM  
Photos with Mascots at 11AM

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# NORTHAMPTON

## COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### CC Joins National Initiative to Boost Student Success and College Completion

By NCC

NCC will work with Complete College America to help eliminate barriers to college access and completion

BETHLEHEM, PA – Northampton Community College (NCC) has joined the Complete College Accelerator, a groundbreaking nationwide initiative to increase student success and close gaps in college access and completion. NCC is among over 80 institutions across 11 states to participate in the initiative led by Complete College America (CCA), with funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Through the Complete College Accelerator, NCC will implement research-based strategies to improve student outcomes, particularly for students from historically underrepresented groups. The initiative focuses on scaling proven methods to ensure more students complete their degrees, further positioning NCC as a leader in educational equity and student success.

"Northampton Community College is proud to be part of this national effort to improve outcomes for our students and reduce barriers to their success," says David A. Ruth, Ph.D., president of NCC. "By joining the Complete College Accelerator, we aim to boost our student success efforts and create lasting change for our students and the community we serve."

NCC will work with CCA to assess current student performance, build data capacity, and implement new strategies to improve retention and graduation rates. As part of the national network, NCC also will share its successes and collaborate with other institutions to strengthen student outcomes nationwide.

Originally launched in January 2020, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's Intermediaries for Scale Initiative is designed to help colleges and universities across the country implement proven strategies for improving student success. CCA is among six selected entities that are working to increase student success through institutional transformation. To learn more about the Complete College Accelerator initiative, visit [completecollege.org/intermediaries-for-scale](http://completecollege.org/intermediaries-for-scale).

### 22nd Annual Families First Race A Success

By Mikal Sabatine

PEN ARGYL - Close to 80 runners and walkers participated in the 22nd Annual Families First 5K Race/1 Mile Fun Walk, which took place on Saturday, September 14, 2024, at the Wind Gap Park.

The top overall runners were: Avery Krome for the women, with a time of 21:07, and for the men, Vincent Alfred, with a time of 20:38.

Top finishers in their age categories were:

Females:

14 and under: Emsley Krome 23:17  
15-19: Ella Mamana 27:25  
20-29: Delaney Porter 22:55  
30-39: Ashley Taube 26:29  
40-49: Deb Lennox 25:59  
50-59: Pamela Vlasaty 28:12  
60-69: Theresa Thompson 31:42

Males:

14 and under: Jake Thomas 23:36  
20-29: Joshua Shafran 24:02  
30-39: Bob Krome 21:58  
40-49: Dr. Steven Blasi 21:14  
50-59: Chris Field 29:24  
60-69: Steven Korzenienski 40:05  
70 and over: Eddie O'Connor 41:02



The 23rd Annual Families First 5K Race/1 Mile Fun Walk will take place in September 2025, date to be announced.