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## CCTEC Honors its Academic Varsity Winners

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On June 5th and 6th, CCTEC held its annual Academic Varsity Letter Award Ceremony. This is CCTEC's

third consecutive year holding this event. Academic Varsity Letter recipients are required to have a 3.5 GPA in the first three marking periods of the school year. This is not an easy accompishment and students should be honored for this achievement.

This year, CCTEC awarded 126 juniors, 145 sophomores, and 163 freshmen. Congratulations to all recipients!





Above: Academic Varsity Letter recipients.

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#### **CCTEC's Food Truck Festival**

Chloe Swift - Photographer/Writer CCTEC

Spring has sprung at CCTEC and that means the weather is warmer, the sun stays out longer, and summer is just around the corner. To celebrate, the CCTEC Junior Class put together a massively successful Food Truck Festival on May 3rd. Students, families, and the Cumberland County area came together to eat good food, play games, and raise money for a good cause. Six distinctively different food trucks came to the event and served tacos, pizza cones, and overflowing self-serve soda pop.

CCTEC's National Honor Society put together stations for the youngest visitors of the festival. They could play cornhole, play with foam lightsabers, or purchase sand art that benefited the Ronald McDonald house. NHS members helped man the tables and play with the kiddos all night. Additionally, many students took to the turf to play football, Kanjam, and



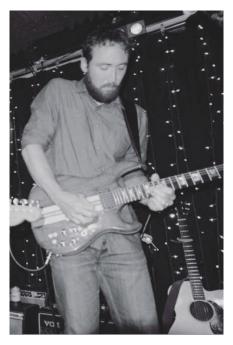
other outdoor games. Hundreds of visitors came to the event and it helped showcase how strong the CCTEC community is. Junior Alyson Lorence said, "It was a good night with delicious food and amazing friends. I can't wait for next year!" When the sun set and the night calmed down, students made their way to the field to watch the movie *Solo*. Students did not let the gray sky stop them from having fun. The Food Truck Festival will definitely become an annual event at CCTEC.





#### Mr. Campbell: Teacher (and Musician) of the Year

Tabitha Gentiletti & Dominic VanMeter - Writers CCTEC



Sometimes, students forget that teachers are people with interests and lives outside of school. After grading assignments and creating lesson plans, teachers still maintain their lives outside of the classroom environment. Besides being the humbled Teacher of the Year, Mr. Timothy Campbell has a whole life outside of CCTEC.

Mr. Campbell is currently an 11th English teacher; he teaches both non-AP English and AP Language and Composition at CCTEC. In his three years here, Mr. Campbell has established amazing relationships with each and every one of his students, making them laugh, occasionally cry, and shaping them into better young adults. Mr. Campbell is known for his open-book personality — at the drop of a dime, he is ready to tell you anything and everything about his life. Despite that fact, Mr. Campbell has never fully elaborated on his musical career to his students.

At age fourteen, he first picked up the guitar, but not because of any personal desire he possessed. "Like every other thing in my life, music was a happy accident. My best friend David and his friends needed a guitar player in their band and I was a nice guy," Mr. Campbell stated when asked what influenced his musical interest. He then proceeded to become better at his craft by taking lessons with a family friend for a year or so, then continued learning his passion on his own.

Upon joining his first rock band in high school, not only was music being defined for him, but his English career also seemed to be in the works as well. While reading in English class, Mr. Campbell discovered the word "scrimshaw." A scrimshaw is a piece of whalebone that sailors would etch ships into. This proved to be a perfect band name; he saw it as symbolic for the band in a sense that they were "carving" their own musical careers and an exploration of music. From this, it is evident that Mr. Campbell has had the philosophical mind of an English teacher even from a young age.

Beginning his college career in North Carolina, Mr. Campbell joined a jazz lab with three professors and four students. The sharp contrast between rock and jazz allowed him to explore new avenues of music. Rock was about the individual and putting on a rebel persona, whereas jazz had more of a structure with musicians that worked in unity. Mr. Campbell states that he teaches through the mindset of a jazz ensemble. He listens to each individual student and allows them to voice their opinion, just as a jazz band takes turns alternating solos. Being the humble man he is, Mr. Campbell felt that he simply "couldn't hang" with his fellow jazz members and left the band.

After a brief period of inactivity, his music career ignited once more. Upon shopping for a guitar on Craigslist, he found a misplaced ad for a singer which would soon become his new bandmate. Mr. Campbell met his friend Drew in 2011, and collectively they came together as two musicians and created the current band that they both play for, The Naked Sun. Since then, the band has released three albums, have been recognized nationally and internationally, and have a tour set for this upcoming summer in the Northeast. Mr. Campbell and David still play together to this day, as it shows that true friends and bandmates stick together.

Mr. Campbell encourages you to listen to his early rock influences: Jimi Hendrix's "Axis of Love" and "Are You Experienced?" as well as Pearl Jam and Led Zeppelin. If you are less of a rock person and more into jazz, check out Miles Davis, Thelonious Monk, John Coltrane, and Béla Fleck and the Flecktones. Mr. Campbell's favorite album of all time is "Grace" by Jeff Buckley. He says, "I never heard anything like it and I never will again...listen to it and you'll know why." He wouldn't say it himself due to his modesty, but definitely don't pass on listening to Mr. Campbell's band, The Naked Sun. Our favorites are "Purple Sunset," "Cloud," and "Jellyfish."

## TEC's Class of 2020 Hosts Prom

Alyson Lorence - Editor CCTEC

On April 18th, the Class of 2020 hosted its first-ever prom. It was a night full of dancing, great food, and amazing memories. Juniors waited anxiously all year for a chance to dress up and take part in a night to remember.

Prom was run and organized by the Junior Class Committee. The committee consists of six class members overlooked by Mr. Riggins. This event was no easy task to plan. Preparations for the event began on June 18th, 2018. President, Teresa Klugewicz, remarked that she wanted to make TEC's prom the best experience for her classmates. Knowing that this prom would set the precedent for the future, Mr. Riggins and Student Council did everything in their power to make it a night of good taste and exquisite scenery. Additionally, they set up goodie bags to take at the end of prom night, some containing special surprises like gift cards and memorabilia from various sponsors. As well as this, committee members organized the seating chart, buses, and promenade. Their efforts made this night a huge success and immense fun for students.

Prom itself was held at Seaview, an hour away from TEC. Students rode in coach buses from Promenade at the school to the beautiful venue. Inside, people were seated based on the charts they submitted earlier in April and the hall was decorated with navy and gold balloons. While many took advantage of the outside scenery to take pictures, there was also a photo booth in which students could take memorable snapshots with friends. In a unique twist, a caricature artist made an appearance at prom, drawing cartoon images of students with their dates and friends. The spread of food was extremely diverse and ranged from shrimp to lasagna. Dessert consisted of chocolate covered strawberries and various cakes.

As the night progressed, students filled the dance floor and enjoyed dancing to music with their friends. TEC's first ever Prom King and Queen were also announced at the event. This was a difficult decision, as all king and queen nominees deserved to be crowned. However, after voting concluded, Will Estlow and Anne Marie Dominique were officially announced Prom King and Queen. They shared a dance together to the song "Beauty and the Beast." As prom came to a close, students made their way out to the buses to go home. Student Council definitely turned the event into a night to remember.

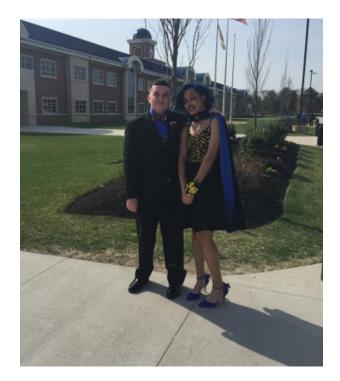














#### **Congrats to All Special Olympics Atheletes**

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Congratulations to TEC's Special Olympic Summer Games competitors. The althletes competed at The College of New Jersey on June 8th and 9th. Thank you to coaches Mrs. Kessler and Ms. Pompper for your dedication!

Students won the following awards:

Tabby Cheesman: 400 M Walk-Silver Softball Throw-Gold Rocco Costanzo: 200 M Dash-7th Shot Put-4th

Danny Fomich: 200 M Dash-7th 50 M Dash-4th

Kassidy Honaker: 400 M Walk-Silver Softball Throw-5th

Kanazsha Johnson: 400 M Walk-4th Shot Put-Bronze

Chris Pullen: 400 M Walk-Gold Shot Put-6th

Christian Sanchez: 200 M Dash-8th Shot Put-Bronze

George Webber: 200 M Dash-7th Shot Put-5th Rebekah Garrison: 400 M Walk-Gold Softball Throw-4th

Anthony Hunter: 200 M Dash-5th 400 M Dash-Bronze

Teghan Keeney: 200 M Dash-Bronze Shot Put-Gold

Autumn Sammartino: 50 M Dash-Silver Shot Put-4th

Jennifer Volkening: 400 M Walk-Bronze Shot Put-Bronze

Llaird Williams: 200 M Dash-4th Shot Put-Gold





## Letter From the Editor

Alyson Lorence - Editor CCTEC



As editor of CCTEC's The Vision, I would like to personally thank each and every one of our readers. Your continued support helps keep this club alive and influences us to keep writing. The memories created here at CCTEC are documented through these articles and embody the pride present here at this school. In the coming year, we hope to see growth in The Vision and wish to hear more input from you as readers. Thank you for allowing me to advance my skills in journalism and for reading our stories. Hopefully, next year will be bigger and better for all of us here at The Vision.

Ally Lorence Editor

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# Interact Club Teams Up with Vineland Historical and Antiquarian Society

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TEC's Interact Club visited the Vineland Historical and Antiquarian Society recently to work on several projects at the museum. The event was organized by CCTEC History Teacher and VHAS Trustee, Mr. Palmieri, along with Interact Club Advisors, Mr. Campbell and Ms. Bernhardt. At the site, the students sanded and painted the museum's basement windows, built a brick frame around the Vineland City Time Capsule, and painted the Little Free Library. They also installed some historic hitching posts and cleaned the small Statue of Liberty that stands on the museum grounds.

The day was very productive and the students made a valuable contribution to the Society. Board president Sandra Hearing expressed her appreciation to the students and said she is looking forward to working with CCTEC again on more projects to continue to preserve local history.



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