

April 2021

## CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!

The Choose Ohio First Steering Committee is extremely excited and proud to announce the 2021 Graduating Class of COF Scholars!!

### Bachelors of Applied Science, Mechanical Engineering Technology

Michael Jacob Adams  
Lucas Andrew Burkhalter  
Trevor D. Reed

### Associate of Applied Business for Graphic Design

Zachary Michael Finley  
Bodey Chavez Flinner  
Ashlee Nichole Phillips

### Associate of Applied Science, Information Technology Cyber Security

Richard Alexander Stombaugh  
Ian James Strick

### Associate of Applied Science, Information Technology Networking

Evan Patrick Shaffer  
Alan David Waite  
Adam Craig Yohman

### Associate of Applied Science, Integrated Engineering Technology

Corbin Eugene Ray Thebeault

### Associate of Applied Science, Nursing

Molly Sue Ardis  
Kelly Lynn Armstrong  
Addelynn Lanae Bickel  
Tracie Jean Borden  
Jenna Marie Caton  
Madisyn Crue Cultice  
Emily Mae Dean  
Aaina Marie Hill  
Haylee Ruthann Keene  
Janet Leone Lugo  
Kelly Lynn Nell  
Melissa Ann Orton  
Danielle Marie Ott  
Megan Frances Profetta  
Madison Marie Sheets  
Kennedy Reighann Speck  
Courtney Lynn Spees  
Cassie B. Thompson  
Madaline Faith Vogel



## NCSC RECEIVES ADDITIONAL COF FUNDING

As many of you may have heard through news and social media -- North Central State College was awarded over \$1.8 million in Choose Ohio First scholarship funds! What does this mean? It means that current COF scholars (such as yourself) will be able to continue receiving the COF scholarship until you complete your program AND North Central will be able to continue to give out COF scholarships to new students for the next 5 years. This is exciting news for North Central community!

By now, each of the continuing COF scholars should have received a letter from Financial Aid which confirms they are a continuing scholar, identifies the expectations of the scholarship program and includes an acceptance form. All continuing COF scholars **must** formally accept the COF award by signing and returning the acceptance form to Financial Aid. Due to the inconsistent deliveries with the US Postal Service, it is advised to return acceptance forms via email or fax. Instructions were included in the original letter. If you did not receive a letter, please contact Amanda Kaltenbaugh, Director of Financial Aid at [akaltenbaugh@ncstatecollege.edu](mailto:akaltenbaugh@ncstatecollege.edu) or 419-755-4899.

## CONGRATULATIONS COF GRADUATES, FROM THE CAREER SERVICES OFFICE!

We value your opinion and want to hear about both your experience as a student, and what you are doing following the completion of your degree. The link below will take you to our 2021 Graduate Survey.

<https://northcentralstatecollege.wufoo.com/forms/nc-state-college-2021-graduate-survey/>

Please be sure to reach out to the Career Services Office if you need assistance with anything career related. Creating a resume, writing a cover letter, searching for a job, or developing your interviewing skills are services to you as an alumni.

Thank you!

## MAINTAINING COF AWARDS

COF Scholars must do the following to maintain eligibility each semester:

- Sustain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above;
- Attend at least one (1) co-curricular activity;
- Enroll in at least six (6) credit hours each semester.

Failure to meet all of these requirements each semester could result in the loss of the COF award.

The requirement for attending co-curricular activities is a **new requirement** which begins with the fall 2021 semester. The following is a suggested list of co-curricular activities:

- Events hosted by Career Services office or the Internship Coordinator (i.e. resume workshops, LinkedIn workshops, mock interviewing, Value of Internships workshop, soft skills/core competencies workshops)
- Honors College Colloquiums (four events are scheduled for each fall and spring semester)
- Non-classroom events related to your major (i.e. guest speaker forums, science symposiums offered by neighboring institutions, National Cyber League computer competition, professional association events; health department and/or community centric open forums)
- Participation in student organizations that are centered around your major (i.e. Cyber Club, Design Club)

Current COF Scholars should complete registration for the fall semester before the beginning of Finals Week. If you have not completed your registration – please contact your academic advisor or academic liaison immediately.

If you have questions concerning your on-going eligibility status, please contact Dr. Toni Johnson, Dean of Academic Services, at [TJohnson@ncstatecollege.edu](mailto:TJohnson@ncstatecollege.edu) or 419-755-9028.

## CHATBOT PROVIDES EASY ACCESS TO ANSWERS ABOUT THE COLLEGE

NC State recently launched a chatbot – Ask eNCie – on its website to provide an easily accessible way to get answers about the college. The chatbot is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide answers — in English, Spanish and Chinese – on a broad range of questions regarding admissions and enrollment processes, financial aid, tuition costs, how to pay fees, various student support services, and much more. Responses to the questions are immediate and include links to relevant and related campus resources. The chatbot also features a very robust collection of financial aid videos that are included with responses to questions related to the financial aid process.

NC State is dedicated to providing students with resources and services to improve their educational experience and journey – whether in-person or remotely. Feel free to check out the new chatbot, Ask eNCie!