

# QCC continues to adapt to the needs students

WORCESTER — Quinsigamond Community College has begun transitioning to more in-person services and courses as it readies for a robust in-person footprint this fall.

One of the recent additions to facilitate an easy back-to-school transition is QCC's new virtual waiting line service. Designed to offer students a unique way to make appointments at various college offices, the Easy Queue (EZQ) system enables students to join virtual waiting rooms for the offices they need to meet with such as Admissions, Advising and Financial Aid.

Through a text messaging system, students will receive reminders and wait time updates as their appointment gets closes.

"Our students are often juggling multiple responsibilities. This support service should be a game changer for many who do not have the time to stand in line and wait for their appointment," said QCC President Luis G. Pedraja, Ph.D.

In addition to this new support service, QCC will continue to offer remote support services and online courses, as well as in-person services and courses beginning this fall.

"The pandemic reinforced that our students need a variety of learning modalities that align with their needs," Dr. Pedraja continued. "We have kept our extensive remote classes and support services, while bringing back in-person classes and continuing to look for ways to assist our students. Removing the barriers that prevent students from attaining their dreams of a better future through higher education is our number one priority."

To learn more about visit [www.QCC.edu/EZQ](http://www.QCC.edu/EZQ). For more information on QCC, contact Josh Martin, Director of Institutional Communications at 508-854-7513 or [jmartin@qcc.mass.edu](mailto:jmartin@qcc.mass.edu)

# Annual road race coming to Charlton Old Home Day

CHARLTON — The 54th annual Charlton Old Home Day Road Race will take place on Labor Day, Sept. 6. The race starts at 9 a.m. with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. at Charlton Town Hall (across from the library), 37 Main Street/Route 31. Pre-entry cost is \$20

with a guaranteed T-shirt before Aug. 20; The cost is \$20 after and up to the day of the race. Walkers are welcome. Register online at [charltonoldhomeday-roadrace.godaddysites.com/](http://charltonoldhomeday-roadrace.godaddysites.com/) or through RaceWire.

# Area students named to President's List at Fitchburg State

FITCHBURG — Fitchburg State University President Richard S. Lapidus has announced the names of students included on the President's List for the Spring 2021 semester.

The President's List honors students for consistently high academic achievement. A student is named to the list after achieving a 3.75 average in each of three successive semesters.

Fitchburg State University enrolls 7,000 day and evening students in more than 50 programs of study. The university was established in 1894.

Auburn  
Nicholas D. Bisceglia  
Jessilyn S. Collette  
Sophia L. Laperle  
Mary G. Leufstedt

Dudley  
Jillian E. Laabs

Groton  
Curtis J. Monahan

North Oxford  
Jared S. Orrell

Oxford  
Bridget L. Richardson

Southbridge  
Fintan D. Neff

Sutton  
Samantha K. Beauchamp

Upton  
Kaelan B. Farragher

# Bryant University students named to Dean's List

SMITHFIELD, R.I. — Bryant University is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the Deans' List for the spring 2021 semester.

Michael Warren, class of 2021, from Oxford

Christopher Place, class of 2022, from Webster

Max Shepherd, class of 2022, from North Oxford

Eric Lavoie, class of 2024, from Dudley

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!

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# Bee-come a Pollinator Protector

WEBSTER — Local 4 Life, a non-profit organization based in Dudley, invites kids ages five to 12 to "Bee-come a Pollinator Protector" on Saturday, July 31, at 10:30 a.m. at Booklovers' Gourmet, 72 East Main St. in Webster. The event is also sponsored by Hebert Honey.

Beekeeper Dave will provide information about pollinators, how to help them and how to build a bee hotel for your yard. The event is free but space is

limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

To sign up, visit [www.local4life.org](http://www.local4life.org) and go to the Events Page.

Local 4 Life was founded by Erin Anderson and Wendy Kalwarczyk, both math and science teachers at Charlton Middle School with a passion for learning, preserving the environment and supporting all things local.

# Oxford resident Michael Warren named to President's List at Bryant University

SMITHFIELD, R.I. — Bryant University is pleased to recognize the students who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and achievement. Michael Warren, class of 2021, from Oxford, has been named to the President's List for the spring 2021 semester.

The President's List is an academic distinction reserved for Bryant's highest achievers who earn a GPA of 4.0 or better for at least 12 semester hours of work.

Congratulations to Michael on this outstanding achievement!

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# Local students receive Bachelor's degrees from UMass Amherst

AMHERST — Approximately 5,500 students received bachelor's degrees in over 100 majors at the University of Massachusetts Amherst's Undergraduate Commencement on May 14, 2021 at the McGuirk Alumni Stadium.

Below is a list of students from your area who earned a degree.

OXFORD  
Angela Suzanne Conway  
Amy R Leary

Melissa Rosado Miranda  
Anthony M Panarelli

WEBSTER  
Shayna Lynne Kubilis  
Lyndsay Michelle Makie  
Dominic Francis Manzi-Knych  
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