

HCC hosting 'Taste and Tour' open house

HOLYOKE – The Holyoke Community College (HCC) will hold an open house Thursday, April 11, at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute for anyone interested in taking classes there as well as members of the general public that just want to tour the facility and sample dishes prepared by students and staff.

The "Taste and Tour" event runs from 5-7 p.m. at the 164 Race St. facility and coincides with an open house at the adjacent Freight Farms hydroponic container farm, where visitors can learn about the ongoing urban farming project managed by HCC.

Guests at the open house will be able to tour the state-of-the-art, 20,000-square-foot Culinary Arts Institute, view cooking demonstrations, sample appetizers, meet faculty chefs and learn about HCC's certificate and associate degree programs in culinary arts, as well as the college's noncredit culinary and hospitality workforce training programs.

HCC admissions counselors will take on-the-spot applications and talk with students about programs and the enrollment process, including applying for financial aid and preparing for the college placement test.



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HCC culinary arts student, Jasiah Scott of Springfield, helps prepare bowls of Vietnamese pho soup for a March 22 luncheon at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute, site of an open house on Thursday, April 11.