

WELCOME TO THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

Welcome Message from the President



Dear Faculty and Staff,

Welcome to the Fall 2026 Semester!

As we start this new academic year, I thank you for your dedication, professionalism, and unwavering commitment to our College and the students and communities we serve.

Our family gathering at Convocation on August 24th was a powerful affirmation that our collective efforts, anchored in congeniality, collegiality and civility, make Essex County College a place where opportunity is transformed into achievement.

The work we do is meaningful, and the impact we have on our students, their families, and the communities we serve extends far beyond our classrooms and offices.

The start of a new semester is always an opportunity to reflect on our accomplishments, embrace new possibilities, and recommit ourselves to our shared mission. This year, we enter the semester with renewed energy and a clear focus on student success, academic excellence, innovation, and community engagement.

Our students are counting on us to create an environment where they feel welcomed, supported, and empowered to achieve their goals. Whether you are teaching a course, advising a student, providing essential services, maintaining our facilities, or supporting the College in countless other ways, your contributions are essential to their success.

As we move forward, let us work collaboratively across divisions and departments, identify opportunities to improve the student experience, and find innovative ways to meet the changing needs of our students and community.

We have accomplished much, and I am confident that, working together, we can accomplish even more in the year ahead.

Thank you for all that you do for our students and for Essex County College. I look forward to the opportunities, accomplishments, and milestones we will share throughout the Fall Semester.

Welcome back, and best wishes for a successful and rewarding academic year!

Sincerely,

Dr. Augustine A. Boakye
President

