

## CCC Announces Four-Day Class Schedule

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Plans are being finalized for Colby Community College to go to a four-day class week beginning fall 2012. Classes will meet on Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. All class periods will be the same length.

"In addition to the four-day class week, the college will be offering more evening and weekend classes to accommodate students," said Dean of Academic Affairs Joyce Washburn. "We will also be implementing several classes that will meet only on Friday and/or Saturday."

After researching data from colleges that have implemented the four-day class schedule, the decision was made to go forward with the change beginning in August 2012.

"When I was in Alabama and Mississippi, both institutions moved from a five- to four-day class schedule and the results were very well received," said CCC President Steve Vacik. "Students had an extra day to work at their jobs or visit with faculty to gain valuable assistance. Faculty and staff had a day when meetings and professional development could be scheduled with little fear of overlapping with instructional time."

The new class schedule will provide increased flexibility for students who commute to campus or those who work weekends.

"We believe the new schedule will be very attractive for prospective students," said Vacik. "In addition to convenience, students who are involved in athletics and other activities requiring travel will be absent fewer days. The four-day class schedule is just one of the initiatives at the college that makes CCC different and better with a purpose."

Although classes will meet Monday through Thursday, CCC faculty and staff will continue to work the traditional five-day week.

For more information about the fall four-day schedule, contact the Admissions Department at 460-4690.

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