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THE MONDAY MINUTE

with Dr. Williams



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Congratulations to the Class of 2026! It was inspiring to celebrate our graduates as they crossed the stage and began the next chapter of their journeys with confidence and purpose. Thank you to the faculty, staff, families, and supporters who helped make Commencement such a meaningful celebration for our students. Your encouragement, care, and dedication helped make these extraordinary moments possible for so many graduates and their families. As *Monday Minute* pauses for the summer, I hope the months ahead bring you opportunities to recharge, reflect on another successful academic year, and prepare for all that is ahead. Whether you are teaching, learning, supporting students, or taking well-deserved time to renew, thank you for all you do to help our students discover their passions and unlock their potential to transform lives, enrich the community, and change the world.

APPRENTICES SHARE SUCCESS AT U.S. DEPT. OF LABOR

Manufacturing Sciences apprentices Malachi Reid and Stephanie Horqqe attended a U.S. Department of Labor Apprenticeship Success Story event late last month, and Horqqe was selected to speak about her experience in the apprenticeship program. Both are completing biotechnology degrees while working at AstraZeneca in cell culture manufacturing. Their invitation reflects the strength of our AstraZeneca partnership and the impact of earn-and-learn pathways that connect students directly to high-demand careers.

RAPTOR AWARDS CELEBRATE STUDENT-ATHLETES

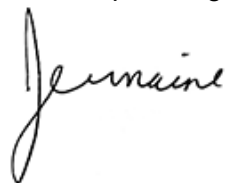
Montgomery College Athletics hosted the Raptor Awards earlier this month, an ESPY-style celebration recognizing the achievements, leadership, and spirit of MC student-athletes,

coaches, and teams from the 2025–2026 academic year. Held in the Theatre Arts Building on the Rockville Campus, the event featured a red-carpet experience, dinner, awards presentations, videos, and special recognition moments. The evening celebrated the discipline, teamwork, and commitment that student-athletes bring to both competition and the classroom while highlighting the vibrant community that supports MC Athletics.

ALUM EARNS PRESTIGIOUS SCHOLARSHIP TO CAMBRIDGE

MC alumnus Nicholas Tracy '21 has been selected for the highly competitive Jack Kent Cooke Graduate Scholarship and will pursue an MPhil in Digital Humanities at the University of Cambridge this fall. A former Renaissance Scholar, Tracy previously earned the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's prestigious Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship just before graduating from MC and went on to transfer to Georgetown University. His research will explore how the reliability of online information—and the rise of artificial intelligence—affects mental well-being and public trust. His continued success reflects his determination and the transformative opportunities available at Montgomery College. To learn more about his journey at MC, read the [feature on our website](#).

With Raptor Regards,



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