

# NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## Zoo & Wildlife Enrichment: A Unique Offering at NCC

By NCC  
BETHLEHEM, PA - Northampton Community College (NCC) has launched an exciting and innovative community education course, Introduction to Zoo & Wildlife Enrichment, in partnership with the Lehigh Valley Zoo. This one-of-a-kind program debuted in Summer 2024 and has already gained significant recognition as the only zoo collaboration course of its kind in the country that is open to the public as a non-credit offering.



Designed originally for veterinary technician graduates interested in enrichment, the course has since expanded its scope to welcome a broader audience. Biology students, prospective NCC veterinary technician and biology students, zoo interns, zoo staff, wildlife center staff, and anyone passionate about the well-being of captive wildlife, can benefit from this educational opportunity.

The program combines engaging lectures at the college with an interactive lab experience hosted at the Lehigh Valley Zoo. Over the span of the course, participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of enrichment—what it entails, how to implement it effectively and safely, and how to care for the health of captive species. Students will learn an introduction to animal behavior, welfare, and zoo conservation principles.

“One of the most exciting parts is the subject matter. Enrichment for captive wild animals is essential for mental and physical well-being of the animal,” said Tracey D’Imperio-Lasslett, veterinary technician professor at NCC.

The lab component, held at the Lehigh Valley Zoo, provides participants with a visual, hands-on education in enrichment techniques, offering practical experience that complements the theoretical knowledge covered in lectures.

“As soon as I learned the course was available, I signed up right away,” said Victoria Colver, an NCC veterinary technician student. “I’m on the path to having a career working with wildlife and exotics. This course challenged us to think critically about what types of enrichment an animal would benefit from and how to make corrections when something isn’t going as anticipated. I wholly recommend this course to anyone interested in working with zoo animals, wildlife, exotics, and even domestic pets!”

For more information or to register, visit [northampton.edu/HealthcareCourses](http://northampton.edu/HealthcareCourses), and scroll to course code INZWE100. For questions, email D’Imperio-Lasslett at [Tdimperio@northampton.edu](mailto:Tdimperio@northampton.edu).

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**ESTATE SETTLEMENT  
REAL ESTATE AUCTION**  
**11 A.M. SATURDAY MARCH 15, 2025 RAIN, SNOW OR SHINE**  
**ON THE PREMISES**  
**108 BLACKFOOT LANE POCONO FARMS**  
**TOBYHANNA, COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP, MONROE COUNTY, PA 18466**  
**AFFORDABLE HOME TAX CODE: 03.7G.3.13**

REAL ESTATE consists of an Approx. 2,000 Sq. Ft. Home. First Floor has Large Living Room, Dining Room, Bedroom, Kitchen, Laundry Room, Family Room with Fireplace. Second Floor has 3 Bedrooms and Bath. Recording Studio in Basement. Attached 2 Car Garage. Home needs some work, but an opportunity for Affordable Home.

**INSPECTIONS: TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 3 - 5 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> 10 A.M. - 12 NOON**

**TERMS: \$15,000 BANK CASHIER’S CHECK (PAYABLE TO JACK MUEHLHAN AUCTIONEER ESCROW) AT SALE. BALANCE AT SETTLEMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS.** Insurable Deed. No buyer’s Premium. What you BID is what you PAY.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Borough of Mt. Pocono, PA take Route 611 North (Memorial Drive) make a Right onto Cayuga Drive then Right onto Kilmer Road and then Left onto Blackfoot Lane.

**AUCTIONEER’S NOTE:** Rare opportunity to Buy a large home that needs a little work, but in a prime area near Kalahari, Mt. Airy, Industrial Park and Airport. **MUST be SOLD to settle Estate. Your BID may BUY!**

**SALE ORDERED BY:**  
Estate of Veronica McMail

**JACK MUEHLHAN**  
**REAL ESTATE AUCTIONEER AU000643L**  
**“The Name You Can Trust”**  
**STROUDSBURG, PA 18360**  
**570-421-8333**

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**COURT ORDERED  
REAL ESTATE AUCTION**  
**2 P.M. SATURDAY MARCH 8, 2025 RAIN, SNOW OR SHINE**  
**ON THE PREMISES**  
**9021 IDLEWILD DRIVE TOBYHANNA, PA 18466**  
**POCONO COUNTRY PLACE COOLBAUGH TOWNSHIP, MONROE COUNTY, PA**  
**TAX CODE: 03.9B.1.148**  
**AFFORDABLE HOME OPPORTUNITY**

REAL ESTATE consists of a Large Home with Attached Garage. First Floor has Living Room with Brick Fireplace, Bathroom, Bedroom, Dining Room and Kitchen, Large Sun Room. Second Floor has 4 Bedrooms and 2 Baths. Storage Shed in Yard.

**INSPECTIONS: TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> 12 Noon - 2 P.M.**  
**SATURDAY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> 2 - 4 P.M.**

Pass the main gate and go directly to the J Gate (address 9002 Idlewild Drive). You will need to be prepared to show the gate guard your driver’s license and vehicle registration.

**AUCTION NOTE:** Home needs work, but **MUST be SOLD by Order of Court**

**DIRECTIONS:** From Borough of Mt. Pocono, PA take Route 196 to J Gate (second Gate at Pocono Country Place).

**TERMS: \$10,000 BANK CASHIER’S CHECK (MADE PAYABLE TO JACK MUEHLHAN AUCTIONEER ESCROW) AT SALE. BALANCE AT SETTLEMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS.** Good Insurable Deed. No Buyer’s Premium. What you BID is what you PAY.

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