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MEDIA ALERT

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WHO: 1,429 Freshmen Students Participating in the First-Year Learning
Communities Program

WHAT: First-Year Celebration

WHEN: Thursday, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

WHERE: University Center, Lone Star Ballroom

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Freshman Students Showcase Presentations during the First-Year Celebration

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Students in Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi’s First-Year Learning Communities Program (FYLCP) will showcase their freshman research projects during the University’s “First-Year Celebration” Thursday, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the University Center, Lone Star Ballroom.

The “First-Year Celebration” gives students in the program an opportunity to take their writing public and present their projects in visual, multimedia and other creative formats. In the past, students have focused on issues such as political activism, drug abuse, child abuse, diabetes prevention, the environment and an array of other social problems.

The FYLCP, formed in 1994 to address the freshman retention rate, has been highly successful in helping students make a smooth academic and social transition from high school to the University. This fall, approximately 1,429 students participated in the program where students and teachers form a learning community.

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