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# Holyoke Community College offering summer baking series

HOLYOKE – Holyoke Community College is presenting a series of virtual baking classes this summer through the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute.

Designed to be fun, family participation events, each Friday afternoon baking class focuses on the preparation of a specific dessert.

The next session, July 9, will feature chocolate strawberry trifle. The trifle is an Americanized version of a classic English dessert, with layers of brownie, chocolate mousse, fresh strawberries and whipped cream.

Additional virtual baking classes are planned for July 16 (blueberry cream pie), August 6 (cream puffs and eclairs)

and Aug. 13 (flourless chocolate cake).

Each session runs from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and costs \$49.

The classes are taught virtually by Chef Maureen Benton, the head pastry chef at Wilbraham-Monson Academy in Wilbraham and a baking instructor at HCC's Culinary Arts Institute.

At-home participants receive recipes, shopping lists, and instruction sheets so they can cook along with Chef Benton during the 90-minute Zoom session.

Register online at: [hcc.edu/summer-baking](https://hcc.edu/summer-baking)

For more information, please call Valentyna Semyrog at (413) 552-2123.



**Chef Maureen Benton in the bakeshop at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute.**  
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