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**Columbus Technical College to Host Veterans Day Celebration Featuring Guest Speaker
Colonel Corey Woods**

**Colonel Woods Named Chief Operating Officer of the Colonel Ralph Puckett Jr. VECTR
Workforce Development Center**

Columbus, Georgia — November 10, 2025 — Columbus Technical College will honor our nation's service members with its annual **Veterans Day Celebration** on **Tuesday, November 11, at 11:00 a.m.** in the **Carl Patrick Hall Auditorium**.

This year's featured speaker will be **Colonel Corey Woods, Deputy Chief of Staff, Sustainment, U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning**.

Colonel Woods will retire from active duty in February and has been named the **Chief Operating Officer (COO)** of the **Colonel Ralph Puckett Jr. VECTR Workforce Development Center**, which is currently under construction and scheduled to open in Summer 2026. The new VECTR Center will serve as a premier hub for workforce development, education, and transition resources to support veterans, service members, and their families as they move into civilian careers.

"We are honored to welcome Colonel Woods as our Veterans Day speaker," said Martha Ann Todd, College President. "His distinguished service, combined with his dedication to empowering veterans through education and workforce opportunities, truly embodies the spirit of this occasion."

The Veterans Day Celebration will include remarks, presentations, and special recognitions of those who have served. The event is free and open to the public, and all students, faculty, staff, and community members are invited to attend.

The Colonel Ralph Puckett Jr. VECTR Workforce Development Center, operated by Columbus Tech will provide career training, transition resources, and employment support to help veterans and their families succeed in the civilian workforce upon its opening in 2026.

For more information about the Veterans Day Celebration or the VECTR Center, please contact the Office of Communications at 706.649.1820 or communications@columbustech.edu.

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