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Join us to learn more about clinical laboratory science and other programs offered by the college.

Register to attend at cphs.wayne.edu/info