

# ANDREW L. MONTERO

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## SUMMARY

Chef Andy Montero has a combined 26 years of culinary experience with a dedication in public school safety and nutrition programs, offering training and education for students and staff.

## EDUCATION

### **Associates Degree in Culinary Arts, 1999**

Johnson & Wales University

Norfolk, VA

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Culinary Solution Centers, LLC**

Chef Cyndie *K-12 Culinary Team*

6/15- Present

- Culinary educator providing culinary skills training to school nutrition professionals in quantity food production including presentation, efficiency, quality and consistency, food safety, adherence to standardized recipes, and culinary techniques.
- Quantity, standardized recipe development for use in school meal programs. Special projects include the NC K-12 Culinary Institute, Starkist®, various local districts, and more.
- On-site kitchen operational evaluations aimed at streamlining and optimizing school meal programs.

### **Adjunct Instructor**

*Culinary Institute of Virginia*

7/13-10/14

Norfolk, Va.

- Instructor for freshman culinary classes including Skills (sauces and stocks) and Techniques (sauces and soups)

### **Chef/Owner**

*Montero's Restaurant, Bar and Catering*

11/05-Present

Elizabeth City, NC

- Manage both FOH and BOH staff in a 350+ seat facility with sales of 1.5 million last year. Organize and execute on & off premises catering for groups up to 1000.

### **Chef Instructor**

*Johnson & Wales University*

8/00-5/04

Norfolk, VA

- Instructor for freshman culinary classes including Stocks and Sauces, Foodservice Production, International & Continental Cuisines.

### **Sous Chef**

*Cypress Point Country Club*

5/97-12/97; 5/95-11/96

Virginia Beach, VA

- Menu design, staff training and participation in the ordering and receiving of food.

**Apprentice***"Da I Frasca Sull' Ambra"*

11/96-5/97

Montevarchi, Italy

- Apprenticeship in a privately owned establishment geared toward the preparation and service of classic Tuscan style foods.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Board of Directors

Food Bank of the Albemarle

2000-2007

Elizabeth City, NC

Board of Directors

Elizabeth City Chamber of Commerce

2001-2003

Elizabeth City, NC

Board of Directors

Elizabeth City Tourism

2008-Present

Elizabeth City, NC

Member

Knights of Columbus

2011-Present

Elizabeth City, NC

Member, Paul Harris Fellow

Elizabeth City Morning Rotary

2013-Present

Elizabeth City, NC

Board of Directors

Albemarle Hospital Foundation

2013-2017

Elizabeth City, NC

**ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Co-Creator of the SAFE Schools Fund ([www.safeschoolsfund.org](http://www.safeschoolsfund.org))
- Montero's Restaurant, Bar and Catering was named "2007 & 2016 Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year" and "2013 Small Business of the Year"
- 2009 Witherspoon Harris Community Award
- 2009 Elizabeth City Pasquotank Schools "Meritorious Award"
- 2011 Elizabeth City Pasquotank Schools "Volunteer of the Year Award"
- 2012-2016 Elizabeth City Pasquotank Schools "Business Partner of the Year Award" and "Volunteer of the Year Award"