

Dear Campus Community,

SMCCCD Graduate Fast Facts

Below are fast facts about this year's SMCCCD class of degree and certificate completers:

- **2,831** Associate degrees are being awarded
- 1,720 certificates are being awarded
- 20 Bachelor's degrees are being awarded (for Respiratory Care program at Skyline College)
- Our youngest graduate is 17 years old
- Our oldest graduate is 74 years old
- 185 international students from 44 different countries are earning degrees and certificates
- 90 Veterans of the U.S. Armed Services are earning degrees and certificates
- 19 graduates have a 4.0 grade point average
- 732 graduates earned honors status (cum laude, magna cum laude, summa cum laude)
- 1,109 graduates are first generation college students
- 20 Foster Youth are earning degrees and certificates
- 60% of our graduates are female; 40% of our graduates are male

These fast facts are only a small snapshot of the diversity and caliber of our graduates. This milestone in their lives will pay off professionally, personally and financially for them as they are being prepared for the jobs of today and the careers of tomorrow.

Awards for Innovation in Higher Education Grant

I am pleased to share that the San Mateo County Community College District has been selected to receive a Chancellor's Higher Education Innovation Award in the amount of \$3,000,000. The attached documents include the Final Award Letter from the CCCCO and the Advisory Memo for the Revised Budget.

The table below outlines the proposed allocation of the \$3 million award. This budget incorporates key considerations that were outlined in the CCCCO Award Letter. The most important of which was the need to maintain the technical assistance component for the scaling of the Promise Scholars Program first within the District, and subsequently across the state.

Category Amount
Core Programmatic Costs \$1,100,000
Cañada College \$300,000

CSM	\$300,000
Skyline College	\$730,000
District Office	\$120,000
Statewide Dissemination	\$450,000
Grand Total	\$3,000,000

My Gratitude & Thanks

As we end another Academic Year, I want to personally thank you for your work and dedication to our students and faculty. At the end of Spring 2018, a total of **660 graduates** have earned **1,142 degrees and certificates** in **76 different majors**. You are a large part of this success! I greatly appreciate all that each of you do for Cañada College.

Campus Closed on Monday

A friendly reminder: in honor of Memorial Day, our campus will be closed on **Monday, May 28** and will re-open on Tuesday.

This will be my last Weekly Update until the Fall Semester and wish everyone a wonderful holiday weekend and summer!

End of Year Events

- May 25 -- Cañada Commencement Rehearsal on the Upper Lawn from 2-3 p.m.
- May 25 Interior Design Recognition in Building 6, Rooms 101/102 from 4-5 p.m.
- May 26 Education & Human Development Breakfast in Building 22, Rooms 116/118 from 8-9 a.m.
- May 26 -- Cañada College Commencement on the Upper Lawn at 10 a.m.
- June 2 TriO/Upward Bound Recognition in Building 6, Rooms 101/102 from 12-2 p.m.
- June 2 -- Fifth Annual Athletics Hall of Fame Induction/Banquet at the San Mateo Elks Lodge from 5-8 p.m.

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