

Weekly Update 3-22-19

## Next Week: Tom and Sandy Mohr Reception

You are invited to a reception honoring Tom and Sandy Mohr's years of selfless service.. The event is being held on Friday, March 29, from 2–4 pm in The Grove. <u>RSVP Here</u>



### Free Community Market Coming to Canada College

SparkPoint is excited to announce the launch of the new Free Community Market at Cañada College. Thanks to our continued partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties, students and community members will be able to access healthy and nutritious food. Individuals simply check-in and choose from a variety of food which will include fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as popular items from our pantry including milk and chicken.

The Free Community Market is modeled after Skyline College's very successful Community Market and is scheduled to start on either April 22 or May 6, 2019. It will be open on scheduled Mondays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and will be located in front of the Bookstore. This bi-monthly event is presented in a farmers' market style and is developed as a new approach to distributing groceries with a focus on celebration, abundance and inclusion.

And please remember, if students or community members are seeking food, please refer them to the SparkPoint Food Pantry located in Room 5-202. Pantry hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm and Thursday evenings from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Drop-ins are accepted but appointments are recommended. To schedule a pantry appointment, either call SparkPoint at (650) 381-3550 or visit the SparkPoint/EOPS/CARE Reception Desk located in room 9-133 (Bldg. 9, first floor).

# Survey of Student Engagement

Our College is in the midst of administering the national, bi-annual Community College Survey of Student Engagement (CCSSE). This Survey helps gather vital information about our students: how much they are working, how well they understand and are utilizing services and programs at the College, and much more.

If your class has been selected (via our random sampling process) to participate in the survey, please cooperate with <u>Dean of PRIE</u>, <u>Karen Engel</u>, and her student assistant, Rabida Abduwali, who is helping to administer the survey, and schedule a day and time for them to come to your classroom as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Planning & Budgeting Council

The PBC met this week and re-instated the Space Committee. This committee will be able to obtain updates from the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) team that is coordinating the major construction projects on campus. As part of the official District process, CIP is responsible for the allocation of space.

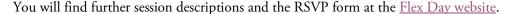
The PBC also discussed the college planning and goal-setting process in light of the many changes and new mandates from the State Chancellor's Office. For more information about that, please see the presentation <a href="here">here</a>. If you are interested in serving on a task force looking at integrating our plans and activities into our Annual Strategic Plan for 2019-20, please contact <a href="Dean Engel">Dean Engel</a>.

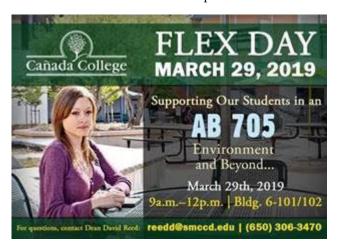
### Last Chance to RSVP for March 29 Flex Day Sessions

This is the final call to RSVP for next Friday's Flex Day. Box lunches are being ordered, so an accurate count is critical.

The first session of the morning will have an all-campus reach, covering the impacts of AB 705 throughout the college in services and classes. An additional morning session provides an introduction to the California Teachers Retirement System CalSTRS retirement plan. Afternoon sessions include a representative from San Mateo Credit Union who will provide an overview of the credit union products and services, and discounts and benefits available for community college employees. For those concerned about textbook costs and related issues, there is a chance to learn about Zero Textbook Cost degree programs (ZTC), Open Educational Resources (OER), and the support programs that currently exist to provide resources to our students. For those interested in instructional technology, our ITS staff will host a demo of the new Samsung mobile smart screens.

The day will finish with the well-deserved tribute to Tom and Sandy Mohr from 2-4 pm in the Grove (details and RSVP link in following feature).





# Save the Date: Campus Construction Forum

Mark your calendar for an informative construction forum that will be held on Tuesday, April 23 at 2 pm. Location details to come.

The SMCCCD Facilities team will provide an update on the progress of the Cañada capital projects—what's been done and what we can expect to see happen heading into the fall semester.

Detailed updates will be provided on:

- CAN B1
- CAN B23
- Site work on the north plaza by B23
- Astronomy pad in Lot 10
- CAN B9
- CAN Vista Housing
- Campus logistics plan
- Space planning for vacated spaces
- Status of the State capital outlay project funding for CAN B13

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

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President