



A Message from Interim President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update 4-8-22

Dear Colleagues,

Fashion Department Hosts In-Person Meet Up

On March 26, the Fashion Department held an in-person "meet-up" to discuss upcoming classes for summer and fall, get to know each other and share recent creations. Some of the classes in the Fashion Program are online due to student request. Therefore, not all students have met their teachers in-person or are familiar with the fashion classrooms. Happy attendees seemed to enjoy this time together and the Fashion Department plans to host another get-together close to the end of the semester.



Please Share with Your Students: Verify Your Vaccination Status For Summer 2022 Registration

Please help spread the word: for students who plan to register for in-person, hybrid, or hybrid courses, or any on-campus programming or services, they will be required to submit proof of their COVID-19 Vaccination or apply for an exemption prior to registering, if they have not done so already. The deadline to verify their vaccination status for early registration is April 12, 2022, for Summer 2022 courses. If students have already submitted proof of their COVID-19 Vaccination, they do NOT need to re-submit. Students do not need to submit proof of a Booster vaccination. Please direct students to visit the [Return to Campus website](#) for instructions on how to verify their vaccination status or apply for an exemption. In addition, messages have been sent to students this week via Canvas and GWAMAIL/student email (please see copy of attached message).

The Community College League of California (League) recently announced the 2022 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) All-California Academic Team Selections and Rankings. This year, 114 students were chosen from across the California Community Colleges for the All-California Academic First, Second and Third Teams and Cañada students Anna Mahoney and Anny Gabrielly Moreira Da Silveira were selected as part of the First Team. Grades, leadership, and community service determine selection to the All-California First, Second and Third Teams. The students selected represent some of the best of the two million students enrolled in California's 116 community colleges. To view the team selections and rankings, [click here](#). PTK recognizes the academic achievement of college students and provides opportunities for its members to grow as scholars and leaders. In addition, the Chapter, also netted an internationally recognized Award for College Project to support the Transfer Center. You can read the story [here](#).

Congratulations to our Colts Women's Tennis Team who have become the 2022 Coast Conference Champions! The Cañada College Women's Tennis Team looked to finish their season with their match against the Vikings of West Valley College with a Conference Title to their name. The Colts now look to the Coast Conference Individual Championship Tournament and Regional Playoffs. You can read more [here](#).



Educational Master Plan (EMP) Draft Available for Review

On behalf of the EMP Task Force, we would like to share the first complete draft of our new Educational Master Plan for 2022-27. [The EMP draft can be accessed here.](#) Please provide feedback to your [EMP Task Force Rep](#), or make comments in the draft directly. This comment period will close on April 19.

Help Celebrate BIPOC & Minoritized Communities - Proposal for Financial Support

To align with our College's commitment to antiracism and equity, our College would like to support end-of-the year recognition ceremonies for graduates and certificate recipients from Black, Indigenous, people of color, and minoritized communities. As a college, our goal with these ceremonies is to uplift stories of joy, excellence and completion. The College may commit up to \$1,000 of support related to set-up and fees for facilities, custodial, instructional technology and audio-visual. [Submit your proposal here.](#) The deadline to submit your application is before midnight on Wednesday, April 13. If you have questions, or are interested in learning more about this invitation prior to submitting a proposal, please email Student Life at canstudentlife@my.smccd.edu.

Free Lyft Rides for Cañada College Students!

On Monday, April 4, we officially launched our new pilot program offering free [Lyft rides for Cañada](#) students who reside in East Palo Alto, Menlo Park and North Fair Oaks. The program is intended to help make it easier and more affordable for our students to get to their in-person classes and support services at Cañada College. Visit the Cañada Lyft [webpage](#) for more information. For questions, please contact CANStudentLife@my.smccd.edu or (650) 306-3364.



Soft Rollout of Cañada Athletic Center Pools Begin on April 19

Beginning April 19, 2022 the Cañada College – Athletic Center, in partnership and through SMCCCD, will begin offering *limited* opportunities to College of San Mateo – Athletic Center members to “beta-test” the new Cañada site pools. This is meant to be a limited use and “testing” of Front Desk check-in, Locker Room and Pool Facilities. Note: this is not a Cañada Membership.

It is however an opportunity for SMCCCD Community Fitness to gauge efforts to provide best service practices at the new location. All NON-AQUATICS areas of the facility will remain closed. Access will be very limited and is offered by reservation only, Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 4 – 7 p.m. Reservations must be made in advance and can only be made with a CSM-Athletic Center Membership Number via the [membership website](#). Reservations open April 17. We hope that you will join us for this thrilling journey by experiencing ALL of the SMCCCD Athletic Center pools.

Thank you for your support!

Thank you to all who helped support our students to participate in the national Community College Survey of Student Engagement last month! More than 550 students responded – a 12% response rate! The data will be sent to Cañada in July and the PRIE Office will share the results in August and September.

Thank you for your hard work this week and I wish you all a restful weekend.

Sincerely,
Kim