

A Message from Interim President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update 1-14-22

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

On Tuesday, our Board of Trustees agreed to continue our in-person return to campus. The District sent communication to employees and students with the latest updates and resources pertaining to our return to campus. The messages are attached. Thank you to everyone who joined our Flex Day activities yesterday. Resources and presentation items will be posted soon on the <u>Flex Day website</u>. Also, last Wednesday I shared the new and replacement position process outcomes for the 2022-2023 academic year, along with the decision-making process. You can read the message <u>here</u>.

Jinmei Lun, International Student Counselor

Please give a warm Cañada welcome to Jinmei Lun as our new International Student Counselor. Jinmei has more than 10 years of experience in the California higher education system, holding positions as General Counselor and International Student Counselor at Ohlone College, TRIO Counselor at Chabot College and Academic Advisor at San Jose State University. She enjoys working with students, empowering

them to succeed and is passionate about helping international students because she had similar experiences when she attended a community college as a new immigrant. Jinmei received an associate's degree in Social Science from Ohlone College and transferred to the University of California, Berkeley to pursue a bachelor's degree in Psychology. She later earned a master's degree in Education Counseling and Student Personnel from San Jose State University. Jinmei looks forward to applying her personal and professional experiences to support our students to help them achieve their educational goals at Cañada College and beyond.



College Connection Hour

Cañada College will host College Connection Hour, a drop-in community-building event for campus community members to gather and connect. The first College Connection Hour will be held, in hybrid format, next Friday, January 21 from 1-2 p.m. The Zoom link is below for those who prefer to join virtually. People can also meet in-person in CIETL, Building 9, Room 154.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://smccd.zoom.us/j/81126979916

Meeting ID: 811 2697 9916

One tap mobile

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Campus Hours Website

As Cañada begins its return to in-person student services, please refer to the <u>Campus Hours website</u> that provides an updated listing of campus-wide hours. If your department hours have changed and need to be reflected on the <u>Campus Hours website</u>, please send updates to <u>canmarketing@smccd.edu</u>.

Student Support Stations

In an effort to help students register for the Spring 2022 or Summer 2022 semesters, Cañada College has launched a series of Student Support Station events. At the Student Support Stations, prospective students and their families will receive assistance in submitting Cañada College applications and help with orientation, counseling appointments, registration, financial aid and more! Next week, the Student Support Stations will be offered January 18-21. Information is attached and below.

Update Your Website at Weekly Training Sessions

Do you need assistance in updating your website? Join our Web Programmer Analyst, Alessandro Riva, for a virtual one-hour training and drop-

in session to maintain your web content with Omni CMS. You will also receive hands-on practice during the session, as well as take-away resources to use for future reference. For those who have extra time in their schedule, we will allocate 30



minutes after the training for a drop-in session to answer questions and provide brief consultation for existing sites and pages. Sessions are offered Thursdays at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sign up for a session here!

Early Alerts are Now in Canvas!

Instructional faculty can submit an Early Alert for a student in Canvas and have them receive a follow-up to provide strategies and resources to help them succeed in college. For more information, visit: https://smccd.edu/earlyalerts/

Revised Mission, Vision and Values Shared

The Educational Master Planning (EMP) Task Force shared the revised, <u>draft mission</u>, <u>vision and values</u> statements under consideration for adoption in the new, five-year EMP. The opportunity to provide input via an <u>anonymous</u>, <u>online portal</u> is open until February 2, 2022.

Internal Equity Report Summary Released

Áse Power Consult (APC), the consulting team Cañada engaged to help determine how the College could effectively incorporate diversity, equity, inclusion and antiracism in its Educational Master Plan for 2022-27 and beyond, shared its Internal Equity Report Snapshot and recommendations with the College on Flex Day, January 13, 2022. The full report will be shared within the next 1-2 weeks. The EMP Task Force, PBC, ACES and the Academic, Classified and Student Senates will be discussing APC's recommendations and next steps.

Spring 2022 - Virtual Parking Permits

Effective now, Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College are introducing a virtual parking permit system for purchasing virtual parking permits on all San Mateo Community College District campuses.

What is a virtual parking permit? Essentially, your vehicle's license plate will act as your virtual parking permit. Individuals will register their vehicle plate information into an online virtual parking permit system when purchasing their permit. The permit software then generates a virtual permit linked to that vehicle's license plate number. Visit the Parking website and the FAQs page for more information, including how to purchase a permit.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

In celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., campus will be closed on Monday, January 17.

Thank you and Welcome to Spring 2022!

Sincerely, Kim