



A Message from Interim President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update 5-27-22

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

The last week of the semester is here! Last Friday, members of the Cañada and SMCCCD team attended JobTrain's 38th Annual Breakfast of Champions, an event that celebrates the successes of JobTrain, its graduates, and looks ahead to what's to come in the future. Last week, our Promise Scholars Program celebrated its first in-person End of the Year Celebration where graduates and continuing students joined together with friends, family and members from the Cañada community. In addition, Cañada College, College of San Mateo, Skyline College and our District Office communities were overjoyed to celebrate the Umoja/BSU 2022 graduates at last Friday's first annual event that included graduates from all three colleges. On Monday, we gave Dr. Tammy Robinson a sweet sendoff before she begins her Presidency at Mesa Community College in Arizona. Yesterday, our Middle College students celebrated their achievements at their graduation. Thank you to all the staff, students, faculty, and administrators who made all of these events possible.



Virtual Support Space Available to the Campus Community Today at 1 p.m.

Although the last few weeks have brought moments of celebration, it's impossible not to reflect that our country has also been shaken by mass shootings in a supermarket in Buffalo, New York and in an elementary school Uvalde, Texas. If you find yourself experiencing difficult emotions regarding the recent events, we would like to offer our support. For all of us in our greater campus community, we will be hosting processing spaces for students, staff and faculty to come together and informally check in with one another.

A virtual space, hosted by the [Personal Counseling Center](#) will be held today, May 27, from 1-2 p.m. - <https://smccd.zoom.us/j/7137657874>

Vice President of Administrative Services Forum Feedback Due Today at 3 p.m.

If you missed any of the Vice President of Administrative Services Forums or would like to revisit any of them, the recordings are now available. You can view all of the finalist candidate bios, forum recordings and feedback forms below. After watching the forums, please submit a feedback form for each candidate. The deadline to submit feedback forms is today, May 27 at 3 p.m.

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| Ludmila Prisecar | Forum Recording | Feedback Form |
| Shahrooz Roohparvar | Forum Recording | Feedback Form |
| Marie Chries Concha Thia | Forum Recording | Feedback Form |

Thank you for your participation and input in this important process.

54th Annual Commencement is Tomorrow!

Our Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2022 will be held tomorrow at 10 a.m. and we invite you to celebrate the graduates at this momentous event. We are still looking for employee assistance to help with Commencement and there are a number of opportunities to participate and help make this event a memorable one for our graduates and their families. To assist with this special event, please sign up by clicking the [commencement job assignment link](#). Staff will have the option to choose exchange time or compensation for the hours worked at Commencement. Please inform your supervisor on your choice. Contact [Michiko Kealoha](#) for more information on how you can assist the day of Commencement.

Friends and family of the graduates can also watch the ceremony from home! The broadcast of the Commencement Ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. and can be viewed at www.canadacollege.edu/commencement. Please visit the [commencement website](#) for the latest information and updates. General questions regarding Commencement may be directed to canstudentlife@my.smccd.edu.



SparkPoint Food Pantry Re-Opens

Stop by and pick up FREE healthy and nutritious food at the SparkPoint Food Pantry! The Pantry is located in Building 5, Room 202 and will be open from 12-3 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays starting this week. The entire campus and greater community is welcome. Each week, we will distribute a variety of frozen foods, milk, eggs, fruits, vegetables, rice, beans and many other options. Our selection this week includes frozen fish fillets, mac and cheese and organic carrots! Thanks to our partner, Second Harvest Food Bank of Silicon Valley, we will be open throughout the summer. When you visit us, we'll ask you what items you'd like and we'll package them for you so don't forget to bring your reusable bags. Sign up or drop in! Call (650) 381-3550 or view the attached flyer for more information. We look forward to seeing soon.

SparkPoint at Cañada College is partnering with Second Harvest Food Bank to provide a Food Pantry on the Cañada College campus for people who need food.

Appointments Available
or Stop by the Pantry

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Pantry Location
Building 5, Room 202

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For disability-related accommodations, please email: pantry@ccsccd.edu or call (650) 306-3234

Sign-up or drop in!
Call 650-381-3550 or stop by Building 5, Room 125

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Get Free Access to New York Times Online

All Cañada students, staff, and faculty can now get free access to the New York Times online edition! To activate a new pass or renew a current pass follow these instructions:

On Campus: Activate a new pass by visiting [NYTimes.com/group/pass](https://nytimes.com/group/pass)

Off Campus: Registering on the [NYTimes Off-campus Access Page](#).

Strengthening Partnerships in Dual Enrollment through Campus Visits

As part of an effort to integrate our Dual Enrollment students to our Cañada College Campus, a group of 20 Woodside High school Engineering students, 15 Hillsdale High School Early Childhood Education students and a staff members visited the College on May 19. Woodside High students learned about Cañada College programs from College Recruiter, Olivia Cortez-Figueroa and Dr. Ramki Kalyanaraman, Professor of Engineering, who gave a fun, informative presentation. Students also heard from Cañada College Campus Ambassador, Rami, on why he chose Cañada College and what he is studying. Afterwards, Rami took the students on a campus tour that included visits to our Kinesiology & Wellness Building, Welcome Center, Financial Aid Department, SparkPoint, EOPS and the STEM Center where the students heard about resources the programs have to offer. Hillsdale High students experienced a similar tour including a visit to the Education and Human Development Department. Cañada College looks forward to making the visit an annual event for both high schools.



This will be my last Weekly Update for the academic year and will resume Weekly Updates when the Fall semester begins. We will share important and timely information as needed during the summer. Thank you for all of your passion and hard work over this past year. I wish you and your loved ones a safe summer and look forward to continuing our work together in the new academic year!

Sincerely,
Kim