



A Message from President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update: 3-24-23

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

What a week! I hope this message finds you and your loved ones safe. This is the third time in 30 days that the Cañada campus has lost power for a minimum of 24 hours at each outage— all due to inclement weather. With each outage, our Crisis Action Team has become well-versed in supporting the campus in times of need. I'd like to share my appreciation to the Cañada College and District Office Crisis Action (CAT) Team for their swift action in operations and communication during every outage. I'd also like to commend each of you for your resilience during this trying time. Many of you are contending with your own power outage issues and are continuing to serve and support our students in their time of need. I appreciate each of you!

Anthony Lim, Cañada College Classified Employee of the Year

At Wednesday's board meeting, I had the pleasure of recognizing Anthony Lim as Cañada College's Classified Employee of the Year. In addition to Cañada's recognition, Anthony was selected by the Board to be SMCCCD's Classified Employee of the Year and his nomination will be forwarded to the State Chancellor's Office. With 11 years of service at SMCCCD, Anthony Lim is committed to supporting equitable student outcomes in his role as IT Support Technician II at Cañada College. In his role, he works tirelessly to support faculty, staff and students with their technical needs and the campus community enjoys working with him. Anthony is extremely knowledgeable in, and highly skilled at, trouble-shooting technical problems. He is relied on heavily in our Cañada community and appreciated for his responsiveness, expertise and friendly demeanor.

During the pandemic, Anthony, as well as other members of the College's ITS team, remained on campus as essential workers. Anthony was instrumental in not only helping with technical needs, but providing our faculty and staff with the confidence and reassurance that they can successfully transition to remote work. In addition to employees, Anthony's commitment to help students provided a much needed and stable environment as they continued their studies during an uncertain time. Last year, as many faculty, staff and students returned to campus, Anthony helped coordinate the installation of our new HyFlex meeting equipment and was involved in multimodal conversions in all of our classrooms. This conversion allowed all of our students to attend classes safely and ensure they stay on track to achieve their educational goals.

Aside from his technical expertise, Anthony is known around campus for his light heartedness and quick sense of humor. In times of stress, Anthony keeps our campus community members smiling, which is a special quality that we all appreciate. Congratulations, Anthony!



President's Student Leadership Award – Nominations Due Today

At this year's Commencement Ceremony, one student will be recognized for outstanding scholarship and leadership. We welcome your nomination of the student who you believe reflects the spirit of this award, embodies its positive attributes, and meets its criteria:

- has made meaningful contributions to the lives of students, his/her community, and/or Cañada College
- demonstrates outstanding academic achievement
- reflects a committed pursuit of educational goals
- demonstrates leadership qualities that represent the values and mission of the College
- achieved a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.8 or higher
- is a graduating student in Summer 2022, Fall 2022, or Spring 2023.

Please attach a Word document describing the nominee's involvement and accomplishments relevant to the award criteria. Please submit your completed nomination form with supporting page(s) attached, to the [Office of the President](#) by 4 p.m. today, March 24, 2023.

Flex Day Proposals Due Today

The Professional Development Planning Committee would like to remind the campus community that the deadline to submit proposals for the April 20 Flex Day are due today, March 24. Please submit your presentation proposal [here](#). For questions, please contact [Ellen Young](#).

Cañada College Mural

Come be a part of this milestone and join in on community paint days. Everyone is

welcome! You can learn more about our mural's history and sign up for community paint days [here](#).

We also acknowledge that weather is always changing, so to consider everyone's safety, health, time and commute, our Mural Committee will announce at 4 p.m. the night before a Community Paint Day if a paint session is canceled due to inclement weather conditions. With our recent storms, it's important to share that the dates for our Community Paint Days will likely fluctuate based off of the weather and updates will be communicated in the [sign up page](#).



Vice President of Instruction Forum Recordings and Feedback Forms

If you missed any of the Vice President of Instruction Forums, or would like to revisit any of them, the recordings are now available. After watching the forums, please submit a feedback form for each candidate.

Deadline extension: The deadline to submit feedback forms is Thursday, April 6 at 4 p.m.

Dr. Chialin Hsieh	Forum Recording	Feedback Form
Dr. Carol Hernandez	Forum Recording	Feedback Form
Dr. Elvin T. Ramos	Forum Recording	Feedback Form
Dr. Lori Silverman	Forum Recording	Feedback Form

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

Cañada Student Named Coca-Cola Academic Team Bronze Scholar

Congratulations to Phi Theta Kappa Honors student Giovanna Mancinelli, who has been selected as a 2023 Coca-Cola Academic Team Bronze Scholar and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship! Giovanna was among 2,400 applicants for this year's award. Students are nominated for the academic team by their college administrators. Selection is based on academic achievement, leadership and engagement in college and community service.

Coca-Cola Academic Team members will be recognized in both local and statewide ceremonies and will also be recognized internationally during Phi Theta Kappa's annual convention, [PTK Catalyst](#), to be held in Columbus, Ohio, April 20-22, 2023.



RSVP for SMCCCD's 25 Year Service Awards

Please join us in congratulating this year's employees on 25 Years of Service to the San Mateo County Community College District. To celebrate this remarkable achievement, the District will host a reception honoring the employees who have reached this distinguished milestone.

Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Time: 3-5 p.m.

Location: Skyline College, Building 12, Farallon Room

Additional detail is attached. To RSVP, please click on this [link](#) or email Candice Bell at bellc@smccd.edu by April 4, 2023.

Library Newsletter

It's the March Library Newsletter! Have a research project? Get assistance from the librarians in-person, Zoom, chat, or text message. Browse issues of the latest magazines through Flipster. Explore historic newspaper articles with a new Library resource, Newspaper Archive. Celebrate Women's History Month with graphic novels on women who changed history. View the newsletter [here](#).

College Accreditation Report (Midterm) Draft Available for Review and Feedback

The Accreditation Steering Committee and Writing Team have posted [a draft](#) of the Midterm Report being prepared for the Accrediting Commission for Community & Junior Colleges (ACCJC) on [the College's Accreditation Website](#). Please feel free to review it and provide [Feedback via this Form](#) by April 12. The team will address all feedback and produce a final draft by the end of April. Please contact [Dean Engel](#), the College's Accreditation Liaison Officer, with any questions.

Registration Open for 2023 Bay Area Pathways Academy™ (BAPA) Summer Program

The 2023 Bay Area Pathways Academy™ (BAPA) [Summer Program](#) is now open for

registration! BAPA is an in-person comprehensive academic, enrichment and fitness summer program for students entering grades 6 to 9. Academic classes are taught by credentialed teachers using a Project Based Learning (PBL) approach that incorporates interactive learning activities designed to make learning enjoyable, while enrichment and fitness classes are taught by instructors. SMCCCD employees can register before April 15 to receive early bird pricing using the following code in the checkout box **EMP10% OFF**. This EMP10%OFF code will reduce the current 10% employee discount by an additional 10% if you register before April 15. Visit the [website](#) for more information.



Stay safe. I hope you enjoy your weekend and Spring Break!

Sincerely,
Kim