



A Message from President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update: 2-16-23

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

District ARC Statement Regarding Tyre Nichols

Last week, Chancellor Claire shared the San Mateo County Community College District Antiracism Council (ARC) statement regarding Tyre Nichols. The statement is attached.

Club Rush

Thank you to our Associated Students of Cañada College (ASCC) who hosted Club Rush on Wednesday. More than 95 students had the opportunity to join 15 ASCC-sponsored clubs that were present at the event. With Club Rush held on Valentine's Day, ASCC also provided a chocolate fountain where students enjoyed an array of chocolate-dipped goodies.



Cañada Welcomes Youth to Colts Basketball Game

On Wednesday, Cañada hosted the Vikings Basketball Youth Program to visit campus and cheer on our Colts Men's Basketball Team as they competed against Skyline College. Our visitors not only got to watch the Colts play, they also had a special greeting from Colts Head Coach Eddy Harris, Assistant Coach Louis Armstrong and our Colts Men's Basketball Team. A special thank you to our Kinesiology, Athletics and Dance Division and Cañada Outreach team for organizing this special visit. We hope our visiting youth become future Colts!



Black History Month

Cañada College is celebrating Black History Month with a series of programs and events. Upcoming events include:

Wednesday, February 22

[Black Excellence Event with Stephanie Johnson](#)

1 p.m.

Building 5, Room 223

Friday, February 23

[Movie Night: Viola Davis in the Woman King](#)

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Building 9, Room 307

You can view and RSVP for events [here](#). For those who would like to celebrate Black History Month through Zoom backgrounds, designs can be found [here](#).

Students Needed for Photoshoot - Wednesday, March 8

We have a professional photographer coming to our campus on Wednesday, March 8, and are looking for student volunteers to participate. Please share this opportunity with students in your classes and your student support programs! The photos will be used in promotional materials for the school, including digital and printed materials. Please have students fill out this [Photoshoot Interest Form](#). If you would like to set aside some time for a specific class or group of students in your program, please have them sign up for the same time block, or reach out directly to [Megan Rodriguez Antone](#).

Updates from Outreach

Members of the campus community have been busy connecting with prospective students. On February 4, Cañada's Outreach and Umoja teams joined College of San Mateo and Skyline College to participate in the Black College Expo in Oakland where our team spoke with hundreds of high school sophomores, juniors and seniors as well as their parents, from all over the Bay Area. The same day, the College participated in the Redwood City Lunar New Year Celebration. On February 11, Outreach attended the Education Summit at Cal State East Bay in Hayward, which is a free event geared towards reaching first generation African-American, Asian-American, Latinx, Native

American and Pacific Islander students and their families. The event showcased Northern CSU campuses, community colleges and student support programs. Cañada College Campus Ambassadors Ramie and Jules, along with College Recruiter, Olivia Cortez-Figueroa, had the opportunity to speak to more than 100 high school students, their parents and even their young siblings!



Scholarship Reviewers Needed for the 2023-24 Cañada Scholarship Program

The Financial Aid Office is seeking Cañada faculty, staff and administrators who would like to serve as scholarship reviewers for the 2023-24 Cañada Scholarship Program. Each reviewer will be assigned anywhere between 20-40 scholarship applications to review between March 6-20 in AcademicWorks, the online scholarship application platform used by the three SMCCCD colleges. The time commitment should not exceed 6-8 hours and is one of the most rewarding ways to get to know our students.

Reviewers will be provided with comprehensive instructions and a scoring rubric. Please reply to [Dr. David Vera](#) by February 28 if you'd like to be part of this year's review team. The scholarship application deadline for students is March 2, 2023. Thank you in advance for encouraging students to apply and for all those reference letters many of you have been asked to write.

Cañada College at Menlo Park's Small Business Program

Over the past few months, Cañada College at Menlo Park has been working with ESO Ventures to build a new 10-week small business incubator not-for-credit program! The program is designed to target our Latinx community and will be taught in Spanish. The 10-week course is for students who have a solid idea for their small business but need the assistance, information, and confidence to get started. This is also for students who already have a small business but need the knowledge and support to grow their business. For more information visit the websites in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). If you have any questions, please reach out to [Dr. Julian Branch](#), Director of Workforce Development.



Cheer on the Colts this Weekend:

Friday, February 17

[Women's Tennis vs Monterey Peninsula](#)

11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Cañada Tennis Court

[Men's Baseball vs Shasta](#)

1-4 p.m.

Colts Field

[Men's Basketball vs San Mateo](#)

5-8 p.m.

Building 1 Gym

Saturday, February 18

[Men's Baseball vs Shasta](#)

1-4 p.m.

Colts Field

Campus Closed February 17-20

In observance of Lincoln's Birthday and President's Day, no classes will be held and Cañada offices and services will be closed February 17-20.

I hope you enjoy the long weekend!

Sincerely,
Kim