



Second Community Listening Session

On September 19, Cañada hosted its second Community Listening session at the East Palo Alto YMCA. More than 55 community members and Cañada employees collaborated to build relationships and work together to create a seamless pathway for high school students transitioning to college, college students transitioning to university and all community members pursuing careers and lifelong educational opportunities. The evening resulted in wonderful feedback and takeaways from our community partners and the Cañada team will synthesize the feedback.



New Mental Health and Wellness Support Spaces for Students and Employees

Cañada recently added two quiet/meditative spaces: the "[Meditation and Prayer Room](#)" and the "Reparative Room" for healing activities and a quiet area to meet, do school work and relax.



Cañada Celebrates Latinx Heritage Month

Cañada College celebrated [Latinx Heritage Month](#) with a series of impactful events that highlighted Latinx voices and fostered community engagement. The festivities began with the annual Bienvenida, featuring empanadas and personal stories. Notable speakers included alumna Jasmin Padilla Valencia and journalist Tomás Ayuso. Voto Latino provided voter registration information along with pan dulce and coffee. Student Adelina Palacios led an Afro-Latinx workshop on music and dance, while the NUCLEI club focused on the immigrant youth movement and the transformative power of art. These events celebrated intersectional identities and strengthened community ties.

