



Weekly Update 8-30-19

State Chancellor's Office Urges Immigrant Students Seeking Financial Aid not to be Deterred by Federal "Public Charge" Rules Changes

This week California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley sought to assure immigrant students receiving or applying for financial aid that educational benefits, including tuition assistance, will not be factored into so-called "public charge" rules changes put forth by the federal Department of Homeland Security. Additional detail can be found [here](#).



Animation Show of Shows, Sept. 10

The Digital Art & Animation Department will be presenting a screening of the 20th annual Animation Show of Shows in the Main Theatre on September 10 at 7 p.m. Curated by Ron Diamond of Acme Filmworks, the Show of Shows presents a collection of animated shorts from around the world, selected from the most prestigious animation festivals. Admission is free, and the Digital Art & Animation Department is suggesting a voluntary donation of \$5 per person to benefit the department's student scholarship fund. Contact Paul Naas (naasp@smccd.edu) with any questions about the show.

Artistry in Fashion, Sept. 28

Save the date for the 30th annual Artistry in Fashion event! The fashion event, held on campus from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., will feature an outdoor shopping extravaganza with local designers selling clothes, jewelry and accessories. For more information, visit: www.artistryinfashion.com.



Participatory Governance Survey Results Released

Thank you to the 46 faculty, staff, students and administrators who responded to the Participatory Governance Survey last spring. This survey is an important part of our regular evaluation of how well our participatory governance structures and processes are working. A summary and analysis of the survey results prepared by the PRIE Office can be found [here](#). The PBC will be discussing these results at their September 4 meeting.

In general, the survey found that members of participatory governance committees tend to rate themselves as having a better understanding and a more positive opinion of participatory governance than non-members. Additionally, those who indicate a greater understanding of participatory governance tend to have a more positive view of it. Most respondents indicated that they were familiar with the District's Strategic Plan. However, some respondents felt that there was not a clear division of authority and responsibility between the District Office, the Board of Trustees, and Cañada College.

Events During the Accreditation Team Visit – All are welcome!

Welcome and Introductions to the Visiting Team

Monday, September 30: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Building 8

Attendees: College leadership, ISER Steering Committee, other campus leaders – open to everyone on the campus as well as external constituents

Open Forum with the Visiting Team Chair, Dr. Flamer

Wednesday, October 2: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Building 6, Room 101/102

Attendees: open to all internal and external college stakeholders – active invitations to all faculty, staff, and students as well as community members and partners

Visiting Team Exit Interview

Thursday, October 3: 11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Building 6, Room 101/102

Attendees: open to all internal college stakeholders – faculty, staff, students and administrators

Participatory Governance Orientation

New and returning members of our Participatory Governance Committees participated in an orientation last Friday to learn about decision-making, planning and budgeting at the College, as well as their critical role in those processes. The materials presented by VPA Mendoza and Dean of PRIE Engel can be found on the [PBC home page](#).

Labor Day

In Honor of Labor Day, our campus will close for a declared recess beginning Saturday, August 31 and reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

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President