



A Message from President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update 12-09-22

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

As the end of the semester winds down, please take an opportunity to attend some of the many fun and community building events that are happening throughout the College. Below is a highlight of just a few of our year-end activities.

Connecting with Our Campus Community: ESL 912 Final Project

On Tuesday, campus community members joined ESL students to participate in activities as they practiced their English listening and speaking skills. Students hosted a variety of activities centered on community building and well-being which included gratitude letters, games, music and flag sharing.



DREAM Center End of Year Celebration

Also on Tuesday, the DREAM Center and Dreamers Club hosted an End of the Semester Celebration to unwind and prepare for finals. We were joined by fellow Cañada colleagues and students to play board games and enjoy delicious food. We are grateful for all who joined us and are excited for the semester ahead!



Annual High School and Community Partner Forum

On Wednesday, Cañada College welcomed more than 60 people (in-person and virtually) at the fourth annual High School Counselor and Community Partner Forum. The event provided community partners with important Cañada College updates as well

as a student panel and workshops on the steps to apply, transfer options, certificate programs and information on the Dream Center. Cañada College staff, faculty and administration had an opportunity to speak with and receive feedback from community partners regarding future opportunities for interaction and connection.



Colts Signing Day

Please join us in celebrating and congratulating Colts soccer players Finn Kelly Lewis and Tomislav Jozinovic as they took part in Colts Signing Day. The duo signed their intent to continue their college sports careers at four-year universities. Head Men's Soccer Coach Erik Gaspar joined the duo for this exciting event. Lewis is headed to North Georgia University and Jozinovic is headed to Biola University. Go Colts!



Therapy Dogs in the Library

Who doesn't love dogs...and peacocks?! Students and employees joined together for comfort, relaxation and fur/feather therapy as we gear up for finals. Thank you to the



Cañada College Library, who partnered with the Peninsula Humane Society and SPCA, for hosting this popular event!

Cañada at Night

This Wednesday and Thursday, Cañada's College for Working Adults and Associated Students teamed up to host Cañada at Night! At the event, students were provided with snacks and hot drinks as they explored opportunities to learn more about student support services open late during Finals Week.



Winter De-Stress

Yesterday ASCC invited fellow students to de-stress before finals week! Cañadians enjoyed soothing warm drinks, holiday cookies relaxed while making arts and crafts.



Dance Show – Tonight at 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy a night of dance showcasing our talented students! Dance styles include: Modern, Contemporary, Latin Rhythms, Street Jazz, Mexican Folklorico, Hip Hop, Salsa, Tango, and Yoga Dance.

Friday, Dec. 9 from 7:30 – 9 p.m.

Building 3, Main Theatre



Faculty Teaching and Learning Center & Lounge (formerly CIETL)

Through college processes via Academic Senate and IPC, after five years we can happily announce the re-opening and revitalization of the Faculty Teaching and Learning Center & Lounge ([FTLCL](#)), formerly CIETL. The revitalization included a year long process including, but was not limited to, faculty focus groups, division and department meetings, surveys, creation of coordinator positions and programs (e.g. FLP), and Flex Day sessions, which all resulted in data supporting and guiding these efforts.

The purpose of the FTLCL is to provide an institutionalized place on campus for directed focus on issues of teaching and learning. FTLCL has been vibrantly in use since our August Flex Day, beginning with a welcome and orientation for our new faculty. A weekly [schedule](#) has been built that includes *Training or Topic Tuesdays* (Canvas tips, shortcuts, as well as other topics such as “How Not to be an Accidental Pirate: Fair Use and Copyright for Faculty”), and *Workshop Wednesdays* (featuring *Conversation with Colleagues*, in addition to other foci). These sessions are designed for faculty and open to all. In total during this Fall semester, the space has hosted over 50 instructional support sessions/workshops/trainings/meetings.

The space will be undergoing an official refresh in the next coming months. As we continue to build the faculty teaching and learning programming, the room is currently not part of the campus calendar in order to keep the flexibility open. However, when scheduling permits, the room is accessible to all without a keycard between 7 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. There will be a weekly posted schedule on the entrance doors, so the campus community knows when it can be used outside of planned teaching and learning sessions.

Super Saturday Registration Event: January 7, 2023

Mark your calendars for our one-stop registration event! Super Saturday will feature support stations on site, including counseling, admissions, registration, financial aid and more! There will also be food, a live DJ and a craft table for children. Students can RSVP using the QR code on the attached flyer OR by visiting our website: <https://canadacollege.edu/outreach/registration-support.php>



College Mural Progress Update

Earlier this year, the Mural Project Committee received a draft of the college mural. The draft design was reviewed by participants of the design workshops hosted earlier this

semester in addition to a core group of campus leaders with expertise in art. Currently, our Precita Eyes Muralists are incorporating the suggestions that emerged from this preliminary review related to our college core values. The campus will be invited to provide feedback on a second draft of the mural design in early Spring 2023. We look forward to receiving your feedback!

Sign Up To Tour Building 13

Employees are invited to view progress to the modernization of Building 13 with a guided tour from the SMCCCD Facilities team. Please sign up for a 45-minute tour (given at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.) on Friday, December 16. Each tour can accommodate a maximum of 15 people per tour. Hard hats and vests will be provided by Facilities. NOTE: All attendees need to have close toe comfortable flat shoes. Sign up for the tour [here](#).

Facilities Forum

Thank you to everyone who attended last Friday's Facilities Forum. The Capital Improvement team provided an update on the various construction projects that are occurring at the College, including the modernization project of Building 13, The Grove furniture refresh, STEM Center furniture upgrade and the Childcare Taskforce. For those who missed the Forum, it was recorded and you can view the presentation using the credentials below:

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Enjoy your weekend!

Sincerely,
Kim