



A Message from Dr. Bennett

Happy Spring Semester! I hope the first few weeks have gone smoothly for you. We have so many important events happening this spring. So, I'd like to start by thanking all the faculty, staff, and students who helped make Extreme Registration so successful! We hit another milestone this semester, welcoming over 7,488 students - that's a 7% increase over last spring. At this point, our total unduplicated student headcount for 2017-2018 is approximately 11,611. Final numbers will be posted at the end of the semester.

Clovis Community College is a Bellwether Award Finalist!



I'm so proud of our college for the many innovative things we do to support student success. I'm especially proud that our effort has been acknowledged by the Bellwether College Consortium, an elite group of colleges from across the country that have developed highly effective, innovative programs to improve student achievement. Clovis Community College was selected as one of the top finalists out of hundreds of nominations for the 2018 Bellwether Awards, for our partnership with Clovis Unified and the English Department. The alignment has made a significant difference in college-level placement. Initially, only 33% of students placed into English 1A. Now, 95% of Clovis West students enter CCC at college level, having already completed

English 1A. Although we did not win the grand prize, Clovis is a member of this elite group of colleges that are successfully leading community colleges into the future.

Accreditation Update

We are preparing for our Accreditation Site visit in March. The Board of Trustees approved, and we successfully submitted, our Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). The final document is available on our website, on the Accreditation webpage. In addition, the chair of our site visit team, Dr. Keith Curry, and the Team assistant, Dr. Chelvi Subramaniam, conducted their pre-site visit on January 10th in preparation for the site visit March 5th - 8th. They toured the college and met with our College Council members. The team will spend the next few weeks reading our ISER and checking our website to prepare for their visit. We look forward to hosting the team. Please be sure to read the weekly accreditation emails.

Read previous newsletters at: www.cloviscollege.edu/presidentsnewsletter

Featured Department – Student Success, Equity, and Outreach



(L-R Back) Nate Saari, Emalee Aguilar, David Navarro, Patrick Stumpf
(L-R Front) Sasha Fisher, Gurdeep Hébert
Not pictured: Ashlee Hickey, Isaac Reyna

The Student Success, Equity, and Outreach (SSEO) department is made up of a small number of individuals responsible for a large variety of activities that support students. Those in outreach coordinate reg-to-go and a number of college fair and community events throughout the year. Student Activities is responsible for scheduling speakers, hosting cultural events, leading ASG, coordinating campus clubs, and maintaining the campus “family room,” the Student Center. Our new Student Success coaches act as liaisons between the students and the support systems the college offers. Director Gurdeep Hebert is responsible for managing Equity funds which support numerous departments

around the college with the ultimate goal of closing student achievement gaps.

Given the diverse nature of their activities, the SSEO department works with most other departments on campus. Staying informed about what’s happening on campus means they are better able to communicate with potential and current students. There is so much they have to do and it wouldn’t be possible without their support of one another. Their unofficial motto is “We got this,” whatever “this” may be!

Integrated Plan

The Clovis Community College Integrated Plan for the Basic Skills Initiative, Student Equity Program and Student Success and Support Program was approved at the November 7, 2017 Board of Trustees Meeting. In previous years, these three plans have been submitted separately to the State Chancellor’s Office but requirements were changed last year to allow us to integrate them into one plan. The ultimate goal of the combined plan is to increase student success rates and close achievement gaps. The goals of CCC’s plan are:

- Goal 1: Continued expansion of Tutorial and Student Services
- Goal 2: Increase professional development opportunities for faculty, staff, and students.
- Goal 3: Enhance and increase high school and community partnerships.
- Goal 4: Continue to provide innovative support to increase retention, engagement, and completion.
- Goal 5: Support students’ basic health and wellness needs that contribute to student success including social, emotional, physical, and mental health.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast

Several representatives from Clovis Community College attended the annual breakfast hosted by the Clovis Police Department in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This year’s event was a wonderful celebration of the work and accomplishments of the late Dr. King. City Councilmember Vong Mouanoutoua gave a deeply moving keynote address. It was an honor to attend.

College Planning Website

Please take a few minutes to check out the updated College Planning and Institutional Research webpages. The College Planning page includes all our planning documents in one convenient location. The Institutional Research page includes several new, interactive data dashboards, along with our Institutional Effectiveness Reports, environmental scans data, CCSSE data, and a variety of surveys and reports.

Unit/Program Planning (formerly Program Review)

Last semester, College Council convened an ad hoc group to review the Program Review process. The group worked together to assess the process being used and make recommendations for improvement. The revised handbook was presented to College Council at their January 12, 2018 meeting and forwarded to constituent groups for review. The overall goal for program planning and review at CCC is to provide a process for all programs and units that is meaningful. The process has been streamlined with a focus on dialogue between the program/unit and administration. A copy of the current draft is located on the planning webpage. Please contact your appropriate Senate should you have any feedback.

Promotions



Reynani Hawkins
Promoted to
Admissions and
Records Manager



Dan Patillo
Promoted to General
Utility Worker

Event Calendar



February 7	Dr. Chike Akua Presentation: What Does it Mean to be Black?	9:00 a.m.	AC1 150
February 8	Data Days	2:00 p.m.	AC2 176
February 9	5th Annual Chili Cook-Off	11:00 a.m.	AC2 276
February 10	ONLY Home Swim Meet	12:00 p.m.	Clovis North Pool
February 14	Data Days	10:00 a.m.	AC1 206
February 16	Lincoln Day observed	All Day	Campus Closed
February 19	Washington Day observed	All Day	Campus Closed
February 22	Erasing History: A panel discussion on history, heritage, & the removal of confederate memorials	6:00 p.m.	AC1 150

March 5-8 Accreditation Team Site Visit

