ACCREDITATION UPDATE: CCC EARN SEVEN YEAR REAFFIRMATION
On June 6, 2018, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC) met and reaffirmed CCC’s accreditation status for seven years. A follow-up report is due on October 1, 2019. In their June 13, 2018 letter, the ACCJC offered two commendations:
1. CCC’s readiness project with Clovis Unified School District, which resulted in 95% of a diverse cohort ready to take a college-level English course or complete the freshman English requirement
2. CCC’s multifaceted tutorial center and for initiating live video tutoring sessions to enhance student success.

PRESIDENT BENNETT ELECTED TO CEOCCC BOARD
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INAUGURAL PRESIDENT’S BREAKFAST
CCC will hold its Inaugural President's Breakfast on Wednesday, September 19, from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Clovis Veterans Memorial District building. This event will be a great opportunity to share an update with community members and leaders, educational partners, and elected officials. Registration information will be coming soon.

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COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS
Dr. Bennett served as the keynote speaker at the California State University Northridge hooding ceremony for the Michael D. Eisner College of Education on Thursday, May 17. The ceremony celebrated 140 graduates from the Department of Educational Leadership Policy Studies.

On June 14, Dr. Bennett provided a brief college update at the Fresno City Council meeting. This update provided an opportunity for Dr. Bennett to thank the mayor, council members, and transportation department for providing a van shuttle that will provide transportation for students from River Park to Clovis Community College starting this fall. In addition, Dr. Bennett and staff were honored to join the festivities at the annual State of the City luncheon with Mayor Lee Brand on June 20. CCC was honored to receive a shout-out about the mechatronics classes from Mayor Lee Brand.

The Central California Asian Pacific Women (CCAPW) held their annual scholarship gala on June 14. Dr. Bennett and trustee Debbie Ikeda attended and enjoyed hearing the heartfelt stories from the scholarship recipients. Ms. Rajinder Dhesi, a recent CCC graduate, earned a scholarship to continue her studies at UC Irvine this fall. Also, Ms. Nguyen Thao My Ta, earned a scholarship and will begin classes at CCC this fall. Gurdeep Hébert serves on CCAPW board and did a wonderful job serving as the mistress of ceremonies.
CCC outreach representatives participated at the Fresno Chamber of Commerce “Women in Business Summit” on June 28 at The Falls event center in Fresno. This event served as an opportunity to share information about CCC’s programs and services, along with registration information for the fall semester. Dr. Bennett also attended and made great business connections. Panelists spoke about their experiences of being successful women in business, and included Irma L. Olguin, CEO & Co-Founder of Bitwise Industries, Debbie L. Hunsaker, President & CEO of Alert-O-Lite Inc., and Katie Zenovich Senior Vice President for Development and External Affairs of Community Medical Foundation.

CROSS COUNTRY COMES TO CCC
Students can now join the inaugural cross country team at CCC. Buchanan High School (Clovis Unified School District) alumnus and cross country star athlete CJ Albertson will serve as the men’s and women’s coach.

SUCCESS AT CCC

ASG president Damon Rapada and Nevada Winchester were presented with scholarships from the Rotary Club of Fig Garden on June 15.

CCC offered three summer school sessions. The final 4-week summer school session started on July 2. In addition, many students received help in various subjects at the CCC tutorial center, which was open during the 6-week summer school session.

A record number of 50 boys and girls participated at the annual Crush Youth Soccer Camp held June 18 through 21 on campus. CCC women’s soccer coach Orlando Ramirez and current Crush soccer players truly enjoyed working with all of the young athletes and helping them learn more about soccer.

The Career Resource Center (CRC) has been busy meeting with students this summer. Students are visiting the CRC to learn about career/major exploration, career workshops, transfer information, and resume services.

On June 4, the Interfaith Cultural Club visited a local Sikh Gurdwara. A Gurdwara is a Sikh house of worship. The club was given a brief introduction and history into Sikhism by a board member of the Sikh Association of Fresno. The Interfaith Club also visited the Langar, a traditional hall where vegetarian food is brought in by the community. In addition, on June 7, the Interfaith Cultural Club students visited the Islamic Cultural Center of Fresno (ICCF) to hear a lecture on “Diversity” by Imam Seyed Ali Ghazvini. Students also participated in a tour by ICCF board member Irfan Ali.

A true inspiration! Meet this cute little girl Stella. Her mother, Anna-Marie, works at CCC in the student services department. Stella’s favorite “Super Heroes” are the awesome counselors that work in students services like Kelly Tabay and Ali Moy. Stella recently got to dress up in CCC Super Hero gear for school. Stella knows her mom is a hard-working and dedicated mother and student. Thank you to CCC’s outstanding counselors for always being there to help students like Anna-Marie!