CLOVIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE NAMED A “2020 CHAMPION OF HIGHER EDUCATION” FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR FROM THE CAMPAIGN FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY
CCC is #1 in the state for number of Associate Degree for Transfers awarded relative to campus enrollment (per 50 full-time equivalent students in 2018-19). The college was recognized at the Campaign for College Opportunity “Committing to Transfer as a Key Racial Equity Strategy” event on November 19. Read the Clovis Roundup newspaper article and watch the video that the Campaign for College Opportunity posted on its social media.

PRESIDENT DR. LORI BENNETT FEATURED AS SPEAKER AT THE FRESNO METRO BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Dr. Bennett served as a keynote speaker at the 7th Annual Women of Color Business Symposium on November 6. The event drew men and women from across the state for a day of learning and connections at this virtual event.

CCC EXCEEDS 4TH ANNUAL #GIVINGTUESDAY GOAL ON DECEMBER 1
The online #GivingTuesday campaign was a huge success. Students, staff, faculty, administrators, and community members stepped up to the plate and, together, raised approximately $36,215.00 that will go towards student scholarships, the Crush food pantry, and the Crush Athletic Facility. The college quickly reached its $25,000.00 goal with the assistance of match-donations from Foundation Board President Gina Cuttone and Shawn Patty, and Gus and Greti Bonner. We are grateful for all who donated and know our students will greatly benefit from the donations.

CCC ACTIVELY SUPPORTS DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI)
The college continues to participate in a variety of activities that support DEI, including: updating our mission statement; hiring practices, and website design; establishing an Institutional Effectiveness Advisory group to lead campus-wide review of student success and equity data; reviewing and developing new curriculum; providing targeted counseling and outreach; developing student success teams; writing grants to support increased access, retention, and success; providing a variety of professional development activities; and establishing specific goals for course, certificate, and degree completion.

DR. TRACY STUNTZ PRESENTS AT THE ONLINE LEARNING CONSORTIUM CONFERENCE
Dr. Stuntz was excited to present at this prestigious conference on November 10. Following is her abstract of the presentation: CCC faculty are required to complete a certificate course in online teaching before being eligible to teach online. This course runs 12 weeks over the regular semester, and an accelerated 5-week session over the summer. The course is designed to follow the guidelines of the California Virtual Campus – Online Education Initiative course design rubric, while encouraging faculty to engage in backward design. Faculty engage in backward design both in going through the course and in designing their own online courses. This highlights the importance of creating unit objectives and aligning assessments with them.

FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS AND TRIO PROGRAM CELEBRATED
Our TRIO Programs recognizes and celebrates those who are the first in their family to go to college. We celebrate the struggles, successes, academic, and personal journeys education has provided to scholars across the nation. CCC’s TRIO Programs joined the National First-Generation College Celebration November 2nd through the 13th. The TRIO Programs offers students beneficial resources, such as financial support, specialized counseling and technology supplies.

KEEPING STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES CONNECTED VIA VIRTUAL EVENTS
Various virtual events were recently held including: Native American Heritage Month with speaker Lakota Harden, Open Mic Night, Black Student Union meeting, Healing Circle meetings, Lunch with the Presidents (ASG president & Dr. Bennett), exercise breaks, Gay-Straight Alliance meeting, Veterans Resource Fair, Museum of Tolerance event, and Dreams for Justice speeches.
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CCCAA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD NOMINEES
Christopher and Chloe were selected as CCC’s nominees for the positive character and strong leadership they demonstrated while being a CCC student-athlete as well as their high academic-achievement and commitment to service in our community and beyond.

#FINISHSTRONGCCC: HELPING STUDENTS PREPARE FOR FINALS
Various activities are taking place to help students prepare for finals. Crush Power Packs were distributed at a safe, socially distant event on December 1 and 2, and the Tutorial Center is offering extended hours. Students can also participate in daily health and exercise breaks via Zoom.

CALIFORNIA HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY (CHSU) OFFERS VIP TOUR OF NEW MEDICAL SCHOOL
President Dr. Lori Bennett and Chancellor Dr. Parnell enjoyed a tour of California Health Sciences University on November 4. The new CHSU medical school is an amazing facility with the latest state-of-the-art technology for students.

EXTREME REGISTRATION AND OUTREACH
There has been an increase in visits to our website since launching the Extreme Registration campaign. The marketing materials and videos are in place to reach current and new students. The Outreach team continues to hold virtual application workshops. The Welcome Center has been busy answering calls about how to register and meet with a counselor.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CCC’S CENTRAL VALLEY LATINO LEADERSHIP ACADEMY GRADUATES
Patrick Fontes, Lucas Reyes, Omar Ruiz-Trejo, and Angelita Zaragoza all participated in this year’s cohort, and we are very proud of these leaders for taking the time to meet virtually on various Saturdays. A recognition event was held via Zoom on November 12.

CCC CROSS COUNTRY COACH CLAYTON “CJ” ALBERTSON SETS WORLD RECORD
CJ has broken the 50-kilometer (31.07 miles) world record by one minute and eight seconds. On November 8, he fought the wind and rain and completed 125 laps in 2 hours, 42 minutes and 30.28 seconds at the Veterans Memorial Stadium in Clovis. Congratulations CJ!

FACTS ABOUT VAPING MINI-COURSE FOR STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES
As part of the college’s Truth Initiative grant, students and employees are invited to take a free mini-course on “Facts About Vaping.” It is a 20-minute course and once completed, attendees receive a “It’s About Health, It’s About Social Justice” t-shirt. The grant also provided funding for other projects completed last year, including a campus smoking survey and drafting a policy for a smoke-free campus.