OPENING DAY SUCCESS

Opening Day was held on August 3, and everyone was excited to start the new semester in person. We continue to work together, in Clovis Crush style, to stay flexible, and to find innovative ways to support each other and our students. President Armstrong shared her vision and goals. Other topics highlighted included:

- Integrated 2035
- Enrollment Trends
- Remote Work
- Accreditation Update
- Mental Health Resources
- Title IX Training
- Technology Update
- AC3 and parking update
- Creating a welcoming environment for learning DEIA
- Continual Process Improvement
- Institutional Learning Outcomes

Congratulations to our amazing Outreach Teams on receiving the “Crush Spirit Award” from President Armstrong. The Outreach Team has participated in numerous events this year to share the great news about the college. Whether it was a day, evening, or weekend event, CCC was represented. On August 1, our “New Faculty Institute” began, welcoming new faculty and sharing information and resources to help them be successful in their new teaching roles.

The revised 2022-2024 CCC Governance Handbook is complete. This document provides a resource that describes the college participatory governance structure, including operating agreements for our committees, councils, and advisory groups. This is a great reference tool related to the decision-making process at the college.

ADDITIONAL DEIA SIGNS INSTALLED WELCOMING UNDOCUMENTED / DACA STUDENTS

In keeping with our commitment to advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA), we added lovely new butterfly signs around the campus, reiterating that our undocumented/DACA students are always welcome on campus.

WELCOME WEEK EVENTS OFFERED HELP AND SMILES

Staff and student ambassadors hosted various welcome tables during the first week of the semester. Students picked up bottled water, copies of their schedules, and asked questions. The Tutorial Center hosted an open house during the first week of classes and various instructors brought their classes for a tour.

CCC SELECTED AS NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION “PROJECT VISION” RECIPIENT

CCC is one of 18 colleges that has been selected for the National Science Foundation (NSF) Project Vision. It is a program to support smaller 2-year colleges in their ability to pursue NSF/STEM funding. CCC will receive various support and resources including guided expertise to generate innovative ideas that produce award-worthy NSF proposals, provide professional development activities, and much more. Thank you to geography instructor Scott Phillips for leading this worthwhile project.

JOIN US FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY ON SEPTEMBER 7

The annual Scholarship Awards Ceremony will be celebrated on Friday, September 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Regency Event Center located at 1600 Willow Ave., Clovis 93612. We are looking forward to this event to recognize our amazing scholarship recipients. The number of scholarships continues to rise each year, thanks to the generous donors of the “Clovis Crush Giving Day” fundraising event. Please RSVP to Rebecca.kinlow@cloviscollege.edu.
CRUSH DAYS/NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
Nearly 300 students participated at the annual “Crush Days/New Student Welcome” on August 1, 4, and 5. Students learned about Canvas, Self Service, the tutorial center, mental health resources, and student support services. The August 4th evening session was also offered in Spanish.

OUTREACH TEAM PARTICIPATED AT COUNCILMAN NELSON ESPARZA’S “BEAT THE HEAT” COMMUNITY EVENT ON AUGUST 9
The hard-working Outreach Team hosted a table at the 5th Annual “Beat the Heat” event organized by City of Fresno Councilmember Nelson Esparza’s office. The event provided entertainment, educational resources, and food for over 1,000 residents residing in Councilman Esparza’s district.

COACH CJ ALBERTSON RECEIVES 5CTCA COACH OF THE YEAR HONOR
CJ Albertson was named the Women’s Cross Country Head Coach of the Year by the California Community College Cross Country and Track Coaches Association (5CTCA) for the Crush’s outstanding 2022 fall season. Albertson received the honor at the annual 5CTCA Convention held in Monterey in early August. Read the full story.

CONGRATULATIONS PROFESSOR INAN
Physics professor Nader Inan co-authored recent publication, “Unraveling the Mystery of the Cosmological Constant: Does Spacetime Uncertainty Hold the Key?” with his colleague Dr. Ahmed Farag Ali. Congratulations Professor Inan!

INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGNER DR. TRACY STUNTZ PRESENTED AT AUG 10 ACCESSIBILITY CONFERENCE
Attendees learned how to create a 10-day accessibility challenge specifically for faculty at community colleges. They also learned ways to engage and educate faculty on digital accessibility best practices. Tracy’s session “Designing a 10-Day Accessibility Challenge for Faculty: Engaging and Educating on Digital Accessibility Best Practices” was well-received from their peers and colleagues.

CCC’S TITLE V / PODER PROGRAM HOLDS PRE-NURSING WORKSHOP ON AUGUST 1
On August 1, the Title V / PODER (Providing Opportunities Designed to Educate & Recognize) held an informational workshop for pre-nursing majors. Nearly 100 students attended this informational session. Representatives from various universities also attended to share how to navigate the Registered Nurse Pathway and application process.

ASG HELD FIRST TOWNHALL FOR FALL SEMESTER AND WELCOMES NEW 2023-2024 OFFICERS
View the new officers for the 2023-2024 academic year including President: Jeremiah Lopez, Vice President: Alejandro Rayaogoza, and VP of Finance: Mikaela Silva. On August 23, the ASG held their first Student Townhall for the fall semester. President Armstrong was delighted to attend the meeting to hear from students.

2023 FALL ATHLETICS SCHEDULES ANNOUNCED
Clovis Community College sports teams are back in action. The Clovis Crush sports teams will all begin their seasons of competition in August. Visit gocloviscrush.com for the men’s and women’s soccer games and the cross country meets.

“COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS” WITH PRESIDENT DR. KIM E. ARMSTRONG
President Armstrong was honored to participate at these events:
- President Armstrong hosted Pao Yang, CEO of The Fresno Center, on 8/25 at CCC and all were invited to attend the presentation.
- Presented to the Soroptimist International of Clovis.
- Met with the CEO/Team from the Marjaree Mason Center.
- Clovis City Council Meeting
- President’s Asian American Advisory Committee
- Attended the CUSD Board Meeting, drafted a letter in support of Hmong language classes, and is working with CUSD’s Superintendent to address the need.
- President’s African American Advisory Committee
- President’s LGBTQIA+ Advisory Committee
- Fresno-Madera K-16 Collaborative Executive Steering Committee
- President’s Hispanic/Latinx Advisory Committee
- Keynote speaker for the Family Community Church’s Women’s Conference.
- Hosted national and local members of LINKS.

View CCC events on the website calendar.