



ISE (ISAIAH, SAMUEL, AND ELIJAH) DIAMOND L.I.F.E. (LEARNING IS FOR EVERYONE) SPORTS COMPLEX GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY HELD ON OCTOBER 8

The ISE Diamond L.I.F.E. Sports Complex is positioned on the SW corner of campus and will include a competition soccer field, all-weather competition track with runways and pits, a support building with a new athletic training room, locker rooms, and showers, bleachers, a press box, video scoreboard with integrated sound, public restrooms, and other amenities. Jami Hamel De La Cerda, founder and CEO of Diamond Learning Center, Inc., made a \$500,000 donation to Clovis Community College in 2024, and received the naming rights for the sports complex in recognition of her generosity. The ISE (Isaiah, Samuel, and Elijah) are the names of Jami's amazing sons. [View the photos.](#) [View the media stories and website](#)

CCC STEM STUDENT, CAYLEIGH SITCHON, SELECTED FROM AMONGST 1200 STUDENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO ATTEND THE PRESTIGIOUS ALLSTATE FOUNDATION NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SUMMIT



Cayleigh is a researcher and STEM outreach leader and also serves as the president of the Valley Health and Science Club. She leads students in creating interactive STEM activities for elementary schools and is developing Science-at-Home Kits for underserved families. An advocate for community non-profits, she fundraises for the Fresno Discovery Center to expand access to community science education. As a Common Good AI Ambassador and former nonprofit director, Cayleigh champions science for all and educational empowerment. [Read the full story.](#)

CCC NAMED "2025 PATHWAY CHAMPION OF TRANSFER" FOR THE 7TH TIME

On October 23, CCC has once again been recognized as a Champion of Higher Education—for the 7th time! This honor celebrates our outstanding commitment to student success through the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) program. We're proud to be recognized as a 2025 Pathway Champion of Transfer by [The Campaign for College Opportunity](#), ranking among the top colleges in the number of ADTs awarded per 50 full-time enrolled students (FTEs).



SUPPORT AND CELEBRATION AT UNDOCUMENTED STUDENT ACTION WEEK

Online workshops, presentations, and activities included:

- Learn how to start your own business.
- Financial Aid workshop.
- Butterfly decorating and free paletas (ice cream).
- "Know your Rights" presentation by the United Farm Workers.
- "Juntos Podemos" Celebration with food trucks, resources tables, music, and club representatives. [View the Photos.](#)

BAASE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN HBCU TOUR IN OCTOBER



Twenty of our BAASE (Black/African-American Student Engagement) students traveled to various HBCU's (Historically Black Colleges & Universities), including Xavier University, Dillard University, Southern University, Jackson State, Alcorn University, and Louisiana State University. Students were excited to participate in cultural excursions. Thank you to Student Success Coordinator Sasha Fisher for accompanying our students and for providing guidance.

Also, President Armstrong went as well and visited the HBCU colleges and universities to meet with their presidents/Chancellors to talk about the SCCCD Faculty in Training (FIT) program.

CELEBRATE AND HONOR OUR STUDENT VETERANS

[View the activities](#) in November to celebrate and honor our student veterans including a display of military/civilian photos with a favorite quote from participating student veterans. NEW this year is the Blackhawk helicopter landing on the commencement field at 12:00 p.m. (corner of Willow and International Avenues). It will be on display until 2:00 p.m.

CCC ENGINEERING CLUB BUSY ON FALL PROJECTS

The first team created a doggy door that automatically rises when your dog is near. The second team created a Battle Bot. The third team designed and printed a 3D printed remote-controlled boat. The final team developed the Clawfish, a magnet-fishing style claw machine. Follow the club on Instagram @ccc.engineering for photos and details.

MESA AND PODER TEAM UP FOR COLLABORATIVE TRIP TO UC DAVIS FOR THE PRE-HEALTH CONFERENCE ON OCTOBER 18

The Math, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) and PODER programs collaborated on a trip to send 30 students to the UC Davis Pre Health Conference. The UC Davis Pre Health Conference is the largest pre-health conference in the country where students have access to over a hundred different medical and health program representatives.



CLOVIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE FORENSICS (SPEECH AND DEBATE) TEAM COMPETE IN ITS FIRST OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON

The team competed in its first official Tournament of the season as an institutionalized team. It was a strong showing from students, as five of the nine advanced to the final rounds and received Awards. The Golden Gate Opener was hosted by San Francisco State University and attended by 31 colleges, including both 2-year and 4-year institutions from multiple States. [Read the full story.](#)

PODER AND TUTORIAL CENTER PARTNER FOR "TOWER BUILDING" PROJECT

Who knew spaghetti + marshmallows could build this much excitement? This Tower Building event also built "community!" A huge thank you to the Tutorial Center for collaborating with PODER on this fun challenge!

VARIOUS EVENTS HELD FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Presentations included speakers from the Fresno Police Department/Domestic Violence Unit; Fresno County Probation Victim/ Witness Advocates; and Beloved Survivors Trauma Recovery Center.

CAREER RESOURCE CENTER CONNECTS STUDENTS AND EMPLOYERS AT THE FALL JOB FAIR

The October 15 job fair was a huge success! Students and employers made valuable connections that will open doors to exciting career paths. Nearly 30 employers participated, and some students received job offers "on the spot!"

FALL "KIDS CLOTHING SWAP PARTY" FOR CCC PARENTS & CAREGIVERS WAS A HUGE SUCCESS

The event was hosted by the Basic Needs Center and the Crush Clothing Closet, in partnership with the Child Development Center. This free, family-friendly event is designed to support parenting students, faculty, and staff by offering a welcoming space to exchange gently used and clean children's clothing (ages newborn to 13), connect with others, and enjoy a meal. We had 80 students and family members, quadrupling the number of attendees we had in Spring 2025! We had 89 attendees including staff and faculty. [View the photos.](#)

IN CELEBRATION OF HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH (SEPT. 15 – OCT. 15), THE LATINO FACULTY AND STAFF ASSOCIATION (LFSA) HIGHLIGHTED LATINX/HISPANIC-IDENTIFYING FACULTY AND STAFF AT CCC

Employees were able to nominate a classified professional, faculty member, or administrator who exemplifies Latino excellence. View the LFSA Instagram @CCC_LFSA to view the honorees.

[View upcoming CCC events including the President's Luncheon on December 3.](#)

"FIRST ANNUAL CRUSHIN' IT HEALTH FAIR"

Health Services hosted the First Annual Crushin' It Health Fair on October 1. Nearly 30 community vendors participated including the Central California Blood Center who held a blood drive. [View the photos.](#)

BANNED BOOKS WEEK HELD ON OCTOBER 9

The English & Library Department partnered for this event that included the monthly student poetry reading and "Banned Books Week."

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES (OER) WEEK HELD OCTOBER 20-24

The week featured daily Zoom workshops led by local OER Faculty Leads. The sessions were perfect for faculty who are just getting started with OER and for those who are ready to go deeper with new tools, course planning, and leveraging AI.

CELEBRATE FIRST-GENERATION DAY AND NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

All are welcome on Tuesday, November 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in AC1-150 for Dr. Andrew Jolivéte. He is a writer, educator, and interdisciplinary thinker and professor of sociology and American Indian and Indigenous Studies at UC Santa Barbara.

CRUSH ATHLETICS UPDATE

- Men's XC: ranked 3rd in State, 1st in NorCal.
- Women's XC: ranked 3rd in NorCal.
- Women's Volleyball: 3-1 in CVC currently 2nd place.
- Men's Soccer: 3-1-1 in CVC, currently 3rd place.
- Women's Soccer: 4-2-3 in CVC currently 5th place.
- Men's soccer will be wearing special socks for home matches in October to recognize Down syndrome awareness month.
- Catch the "Crush Double Header Super Soccer Spectacular" on Friday, November 7. Games at 12:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. [View the details and activities.](#)

"COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS" WITH PRESIDENT KIM ARMSTRONG September 29-October 22

September 30	Fresno Chamber State of the County
September 30	President's African-American Advisory Meeting
October 1	Habitat for Humanity Greater Fresno Area Awards Luncheon
October 1	President's Business Industry & Community Advisory Meeting
October 2	CUSD State of the Breakfast
October 3	MCC President's Breakfast and State of the College
October 4	BWOPA SJV Chapter 4th Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Rally [gave a welcome]
October 5	Central Valley Black Nurses Association Tea Party
October 6	Clovis City Council Meeting
October 9-10	Collective Equity Conference 2025
October 14-19	HBCU Tours and Visits with Presidents/Chancellor