



CCC JOINS PRESTIGIOUS “ACHIEVING THE DREAM” NETWORK TO ADVANCE EQUITY AND STUDENT SUCCESS

CCC joins the “Achieving the Dream” network to advance equity and student success. “Achieving the Dream” (ATD) is a network of colleges leading education reform. On April 11, they announced that CCC will be joining this network along with seven other community colleges. CCC (along with several other colleges) will enter into an intensive three-year program called Foundations of Transformation.

It’s an intensive three-year program, where we will work with ATD’s expert coaches to build strategies for student success. This includes focusing on equity, data, teaching and learning, leadership, community partnerships, student supports, and more. [Read the full story.](#)



CCC HOSTED THE DISTRICT-WIDE LEON S. PETERS HONORS PROGRAM SYMPOSIUM



Students, faculty, and administrators gathered on April 20 for the Leon S. Peters Honors Symposium. Out of 32 participants, CCC student Mathew Oaks won first place. Mathew did an amazing job preparing the poster as well as presenting the content of quantum mechanics in a very clear, interesting, and relevant way. He scored

11.80 points out of 12 points possible. [View the photos on Flickr.](#)

SPEECH AND DEBATE TEAM ARE NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

The Speech and Debate team recently returned from the national competition as “National Champions!” The team earned a gold medal for the overall sweepstakes. President Mikaela Silva and Audrey Turner took Gold in Parliamentary Debate. Audrey took Bronze in IPDA Debate. Congratulations to the entire team and supportive coaches.



CRUSH ATHLETICS UPDATE

Natalia Guerrero (women’s soccer) was named to the 3C2A Scholar-Athlete Honor Roll (one of just 21 honorees in the entire State, over 24,000 3C2A student-athletes). Cross Country Coach CJ Albertson placed 7th overall at the Boston Marathon in a personal best time of 2:09:53 (he was the top American finisher). CVC swim & dive championships earned 3 first place finishes, 7 second place finishes, 5 third place finishes, 1 school record (Jordynn Lyday, 50y Free),

2 qualifiers for the 3C2A State Championships in May. About 50 student athletes and coaches visited the Diamond Learning Center (DLC) on April 17. It was an exciting day as DLC students and athletes danced and exchanged autographs.



CRUSH-TO-BULLDOG TRANSFER RECOGNITION CEREMONY HELD ON APRIL 11

The inaugural “Crush-to-Bulldog” transfer recognition ceremony celebrated the 324 students that have been accepted and registered at Fresno State this Fall. Fresno State accepted 705 students in total. The keynote student speaker was Carlos Brito (Transfer Student/ Criminology major); along with President Dr. Armstrong; and Terree Stevenson, Associate VP Student Affairs/Dean of Students at Fresno State. Congratulations to CCC students Shane Armstrong, Jesse Allen, and Hailey Xu who all received a \$1000.00 scholarship from Fresno State. Thank you to Counselor Tasha Hutchings for organizing this amazing event. [View the photos.](#)

“CRUSHING” IT GREEN FOR EARTH DAY



Faculty, classified professionals, administrators, and students gathered on Earth Day April 22 for campus wide beautification. Projects completed included planting trees, painting, and revitalizing common spaces. Thank you everyone for the awesome teamwork!

BLACK STUDENT SUCCESS WEEK: BUILDING A FUTURE TOGETHER: THE URGENCY IS NOW

A variety of events were held for [Black Student Success Week April 22 through 26](#). All were welcome to participate in the fun events like Walk it Out...Chalk it Out, Fresno State Black Excellence in Science and Technology program, Spring Mixer, Bowling, and more. Also, nine outstanding Black/African American students were nominated and showcased on CCC’s social media for their strong leadership skills, academic achievement, and community involvement. [View the student profiles.](#)



CLOVIS SOROPTIMIST ‘DREAM IT BE IT’ CONFERENCE HOSTED BY CCC

Clovis Community College hosted the Soroptimist International “Dream It Be It: Career Support for Girls” Conference at Clovis Community College on April 5. There were over 60 students in attendance and Dr. Armstrong gave a video welcome speech. The conference gives girls the tools they need to achieve their education and career goals, empowering them to break cycles of poverty, violence, and abuse.





AANHPI EVENTS CELEBRATED THOROUGH APRIL

CCC celebrated a variety of cultural events throughout April for Asian American Native Pacific Islander month. Events started in early April with the Holi Festival and Aloha Festival and continued with "Tea & Conversations," "Taste of Asia," "Anime Fest," and "Khmer and Lao New Year" as well as guest poets and speakers.

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH CELEBRATED WITH ART, READINGS, AND MORE

Various events were held in April in honor of National Poetry Month. The Willow Poetry Reading Series included award-winning poets and acclaimed writers Brynn Saito, Juan Felipe Herrera, and Janice Lobo Sapigao. View photos on [Flickr](#) from the Student Poetry Reading.



PHYSICS INSTRUCTOR, DR. NADAR INAN, CO-AUTHORS NEW PUBLICATION



Congratulations to Dr. Inan on a new publication he co-authored titled, "Gravitational Aharonov-Bohm effect." He also created a Poster that will be presented at the 3rd Annual STEM Research Symposium on May 10, all welcome to attend, [view the schedule now.](#)

CCC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACCESSIBILITY CAPABILITY MATURITY MODEL (ACMM) PILOT

SPONSORED BY THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES ACCESSIBILITY CENTER

The ACMM is a flexible approach to ensuring CCC has adopted all of the accessibility guidelines from the California Community Colleges. The ACMM takes the broad concept of accessibility and breaks it down into achievable [goals and milestones](#) to help colleges and districts drive accessibility forward. The ACMM also aligns with Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility efforts outlined in the CCC Vision 2030. The CCC Accessibility Center team will visit Clovis over the course of two days to explain the ACMM and help evaluate existing policies, processes and procedures to capture a baseline maturity level.

SHANNON GROVE NAMES PRESIDENT DR. ARMSTRONG "WOMAN OF THE YEAR"

Congratulations Senator Shannon Grove recently announced the 12th Senate District's Women of the Year and President Dr. Armstrong was one of three women named in this special recognition. Senator Grove said, "she is honored to celebrate their invaluable contributions to our community and these leaders have made a lasting and positive impact on the lives of those they touch." On May 3, Senator Grove visited the campus to present Dr. Armstrong with a Resolution on behalf of the California State Senate.

TUTORIAL CENTER ORGANIZES FIRST-EVER EGG DROP CHALLENGE

The Tutorial Center and Chemistry Department hosted an egg drop challenge on April 5. Participants worked in teams for 30 minutes crafting a device that kept an egg from cracking when dropped seventeen feet from the AC1 balcony. [View the spectacular video.](#)

IN APRIL, CLOVIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE CELEBRATED THE FOLLOWING:

HOSTED THE ANNUAL EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARDS EVENT

Congratulations to all of the [amazing employees who were recognized](#) and to our retirees: Karen Ainsworth, Lorrie Hopper, Marco De La Garza and Michael Stannard. [View the photos on Flickr.](#)



LET'S CELEBRATE CLOVIS PSYCH SERVICES

Congratulations to the Health and Psych Services for serving not only CCC but our fellow sister colleges.

CELEBRATED THE CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS

Congratulations to Howard Wu, Jake Rosenbery, Leslie King, Natalie Minas, and Tyler Johns who were nominated for Classified Professionals of the Year at Mega Conference.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS" WITH PRESIDENT DR. KIM E. ARMSTRONG

(March 25 through April 23)

- March 26** SCCC Classified Professional **Mega Conference**
- March 27** Southeast Fresno Community 10th Annual **Trailblazer Awards Luncheon**
- March 27** **Soroptimist** International of Clovis Meeting
- April 3** **FPU Chapel College Hour** – Keynote speaker
- April 4** **The Maddy Institute** Valley Legislative Luncheon
- April 5** **Soroptimist Dream It, Be It Conference** – Welcome remarks (via video)
- April 5** **Master Plan for Career Education** Meeting
- April 6** Attended a **Releasing Ceremony** for Suechang Cha
- April 6** **Clovis Big Hat Day**
- April 6** SCCC Foundation **Elements of the Arts**
- April 8** **Clovis City Council Meeting**
- April 10** **Soroptimist** International of Clovis Meeting
- April 12** **Future Teachers Education Conference** 2024 Speaker
- April 15** **Clovis City Council Meeting**
- April 18** **CUSD Foundation Superintendent** Mid-Year Luncheon
- April 18** **Clovis Democratic Club** – Keynote Speaker
- April 20** **Mt. Zion Women's Conference** – Keynote speaker
- April 23** Met with **Bulgarian delegation** at CART High School invited by the Clovis City Council and Economic Development Department

View CCC events on the [website calendar](#)