



A Message from Dr. Bennett

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! Please join me in celebrating the start of our 5th year as Clovis Community College! I am excited for the semester to begin and can't wait to welcome all our new faculty, staff, and students!

Clovis Community College continues to grow, with 2018-19 enrollment now over 12,000 students! Our student completion is continuing to climb! Our work was truly a team effort last year with so many people involved across campus: serving on hiring committees, developing curriculum, serving on tenure committees, participating in student outreach, counseling, and all the other student support services, supporting student activities, teaching, analyzing data, developing program plans, attending committee meetings, grading papers, and taking time to get to know our students.

Clovis Community College is a special place. Faculty, staff, administrators, and students work together to create a welcoming, caring, and inclusive environment. Only four years old, we are still building our college and our college culture. We may be growing but everyone can make a difference. I hope you will stay active, stay focused on our students, and continue to embrace our mission: Creating Opportunities...One Student at a Time!

New! "The Hub" - One location for all our college committee information

Now that we have our new Office 365 technology, all committees will post agendas, minutes, and handouts in their committee sites. All groups will be accessible from the same, easy to use location. You will start seeing current information posted soon. Over the next month, we will work to migrate information from previous years to the new platform. Thank you so much to the technology team for making this possible!

Construction on Willow Avenue

The City of Clovis has started the construction project to widen Willow Avenue northbound lanes from Shepherd Avenue to north of International Avenue. Be safe and plan for delays near campus. Please be patient with students as they adjust their commutes to campus. We will post signage to help direct traffic and will send emails and social media messages to provide updated information.



Welcoming New Students



The college hosted Crush Days on July 30 and 31 to prepare our new students for their educational journey. Students enjoyed speaker Delatorro McNeal, a campus tour, and a variety of workshops. Over 500 students participated. A huge thank you to our Outreach/Activities Team and Student Success Coaches for making this event possible.

On August 2 and 3, we hosted Extreme Registration. This event is a one-stop shop that allows our students to meet with counselors, register, and complete their Financial Aid applications all in one spot. Over the two days, more than 200 students registered for classes. A huge thank you to our teams from Outreach, Counseling, Admissions & Records, Financial Aid, and our student ambassadors for making these events possible.

Participatory Governance Handbook

As you may recall, an ad hoc of College Council reviewed our Participatory Governance Handbook during the Spring 2019 semester. The updates include the addition of a [Guided Pathways Committee](#). These updates will be implemented this year and the current version of the document can be found on our [College Planning webpage](#). You can also find the schedule of committee meetings and committee assignments on the [College Committees webpage](#).

New IEPI Grant

Clovis Community College has received a second Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) grant. The funds received will help us with enrollment and schedule management, data analysis and technology applications, professional development, and communication. A Partnership Resource Team (PRT), made up of California community college colleagues, will be visiting us in September and November to provide insights and best practices. Look forward to more updates throughout the year.

Accreditation Update

The Board of Trustees approved our Accreditation Follow-Up Report at the August Board meeting. We will forward the report to the ACCJC for the January review meeting. The College and District worked together to develop and implement new processes to ensure timely employee evaluations and improved technology planning. Thank you to everyone who participated in these activities. Thank you to Jennifer Simonson and John Forbes for working with district teams and leading this project for our college.

President's Community Involvement

Throughout 2018-2019, I continued to be actively involved in our local community. I am proud to represent Clovis Community College and discuss our amazing faculty, staff, and programs within in a variety of community organizations in both Clovis and Fresno. This past year, I presented to the Kiwanis Club of East Fresno, Fresno County Board of Supervisors, and the Clovis City Council. These partners were excited to hear about our new CTE Building the impact CCC is having on students. In addition, I have been active at the state level representing our region on the Chief Executive Officers of the California Community Colleges (CEOCCC) Board and meeting with state legislatures to advocate on behalf of the college. I was also honored to work with the Cradle to Career initiative and participate in the national Strive Together conference. These organizations strive to support the educational success of every child. I was also honored to speak at the Opening Garlanding Ceremony celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr in January.

Partnership with Clovis East High School



On June 17, seniors from Clovis East HS started a 4-week program here on campus to give students a head start on the matriculation process and help prepare them for college. The program aligned with our Guided Pathways objectives and math alignment project. Students learned about the various services we offer, heard from student ambassadors, and worked with student success coaches. They earned 3-transferable units via the INTDS 50 (college success) class. The college earned a Guided Pathways Project grant from the California Academic Partnership Program (CAPP) to offer this program.

New Employees and Office Moves

Please join me in welcoming all of our new faculty and staff! It's great to have so many new people join our Crush Family and support our students. I would also like to thank everyone for your flexibility as we made room for all of our hires. Please review the new directory for up-to-date office and phone extension information.

Introducing Vice President of Instruction – Monica Chahal

If you have not had a chance to do so already, please take time to introduce yourself to our new Vice President of Instruction, Monica Chahal.

Ms. Chahal comes to us with a breadth of experience and knowledge. For the past six years, she has served as a Dean of Instruction at Woodland Community College. Prior to her administrative role, Monica was a professor of English and served as the department coordinator and as President of the Academic Senate. Monica has been responsible for a wide variety of departments including Humanities, Social Sciences, Math & Sciences, as well as CTE. She has also provided oversight for Tutoring Services and the college's Writing and Math Center.

Monica has received both her Bachelor of Arts in English from University of California, Davis, and Master of Arts in English from California State University, Sacramento. She is currently finishing her doctorate in Educational Leadership from a joint program between UC Davis and California State University, Sonoma.



Academic Senate Officers:

President – **Elizabeth Romero**

Vice President – **Erik Fritz**

Past President – **Jeff Burdick**

Secretary – **Melanie Sanwo**

Curriculum Chair – **Jennifer Heyne**

Look for the Area Senators in our September issue.

Associated Student Government Executive Committee:



President: **Elijah Banda**

Vice President: **Thong Dinh**

VP of External Affairs: **Kalie Clear**

VP of Finance: **Eileen Situ**

Student Trustee: **Shawn Bianchi**

Activities Commissioner: **Diana Flores**

ASG Senators (not pictured): **Ricardo Quintor, Emilya Tabatubai, Zachory Pia**

Classified Senate Executive Committee:



President: **Caryss Johnson**

Vice President: **Nina Roby**

Secretary: **Debbie Jensen**

Treasurer: **Kimberly Duong**

Classified Senate Senators (not pictured):

A&R/Counseling/Special Programs-Nanci Sumaya;
Facilities-Dan Hoffman; Instruction-Emily Wilson;
Financial Aid/Library/Veterans-Rebecca Kinlow;
Admin Services/HC Facilities-Cathy Ostos;
President's Office/PIO/IR/Tech-Michelle Johnson;
Student Services/Outreach/Activities-Teira Wilson;
At-Large-Jason Mendez

New Employees



Tyler Johns
Science Laboratory
Coordinator



Naira Danielyan
Evaluator

CCC Accomplishments

Congratulations to the 2019 President's Award winner **Damon Rapada** as well as the 2019 Dean's Medal of Distinction Award winners **Anna-Marie Miller**, **Arturo Sanchez**, **Janay Jacqueline Sanders**, **Reno Seckinger**, and **Sixin Zhai**. Congratulations to art student **Kelsey Perez** who received an honorable mention at the statewide "Design Challenge: Inspire Oakland 2019" competition.

Tracy Stuntz and **Teresa Ishigaki** were honored to present an accelerated version of their full semester online certification program at InstructureCon. **Brooke Ramos** presented a poster at the Association of College Research Libraries national conference on utilizing campus grants for library projects, designing, implementing and growing programs in a new college library, and collaborating with campus staff and faculty on the creation of new programs. **Ann Brandon** was a steering committee member for the National On Course Conference and also gave a presentation.

Carla Stoner-Brito published a bilingual children's book this spring titled, "Carlos Goes to College, Carlos Va a la Universidad." On April 13, Cross Country Coach **CJ Albertson** broke the world record in the men's indoor marathon at The Armory's New Balance Track & Field Center in NYC.

Calendar of Events

August

August 8	Opening Day
August 12	First Day of Semester
August 12-13	Tutorial Center Open House
August 15	College Council at 2pm in AC2-276
Week of Aug. 19	Watch for SCCC Foundation Mini Grant Announcement
August 23	Last Day to Drop Full-Term Class for Refund Men's Soccer Home Game at 5:00 p.m.
Week of Aug. 26	Watch for Faculty Sabbatical Application Announcement
August 26-30	Live Like Molly Week
August 30	Last Day to Drop Full-Term Class to Avoid "W" (in person)

September

September 2	Last Day to Drop Full-Term Class to Avoid "W" (online) Last Day to Add Full-Term Class with Code (online)
September 3	Board of Trustees Meeting at 4:30pm at District Office
September 3-4	Club Rush
September 4	Men's Soccer Home Game at 4:00 p.m.
September 6	Soccer Home Games: Women's at 2:00 p.m./Men's at 4:00 p.m.
September 10	Men's Soccer Home Game at 4:00 p.m.
September 11	Patriot Day
September 13	Scholarship Ceremony Last Day to Change Class to Pass/No-Pass
September 14	National Hispanic Heritage Month Begins
September 18	Women's Soccer Home Game at 4:00 p.m. Men's Soccer Home Game at 4:00 p.m.
September 24	President's Breakfast
September 27	IEPI Team First Visit Soccer Home Games: Men at 2:00 p.m./Women's at 4:00 p.m.

October

October 1	Board of Trustees Meeting at 4:30pm at Madera CCC
October 11	Annual College-wide Retreat
October 11	Last Day to Drop Full-Term Class with "W"

Lunches with Lori

September 10	12:00-1:00 p.m.AC2-276
October 15	12:00-1:00 p.m.Herndon, Room 301
November 13	12:00-1:00 p.m.AC2-276

Lori's Open Office Hours 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

September 25
October 29
November 19

Town Hall Meetings

September 4	Budget
November 5	Facilities
February 5	TBD
May 6	Budget

