



# Chancellor's

MONTHLY REPORT | AUGUST 2023

Dear LACCD Colleagues,

The fall semester is just around the corner, and we are excited to see our students and our colleges alive again. We have several fall kickoff events scheduled throughout the nine colleges to welcome everyone back to campus, to enroll students, and to celebrate the start of another academic year.



Did you know that over half of our students are first-generation college attendees? What an extraordinary opportunity we have as educators to impact the lives of students and our communities.

On Saturday, August 12, all nine colleges will participate in **LACCD Enrollment Day**. Each college will have special in-person events, activities, and online campaigns where students can learn more about their college's academic and support programs. Students can meet with academic advisors to explore their educational goals, with departmental faculty and administrators, and enroll in fall semester credit and noncredit classes in multiple modalities. All this with the backdrop of food, music, and fun activities for all to enjoy. Visit the [enrollment page](#) for more details.

With my profound respect and admiration, please receive my best wishes for a strong start to the fall semester!

Francisco C. Rodriguez, Ph.D.  
Chancellor  
Los Angeles Community College District



Office of Communications & Marketing



District-wide Enrollment Events

**Open House**  
AUGUST 19, 2023 9AM - 1PM  
Get hands on help choosing a new career pathway and enroll in classes on the spot.

**Summer Kickback**  
SAT., AUGUST 19, 10am - 6pm  
CLASSIC CAR SHOW  
MOVIE NIGHT  
EXPOSURE FOR FALL CLASSES

**Super Saturdays**  
Need help registering for Summer and Fall classes?  
#S21 ON IN THE SOUTHWEST CENTER  
First Floor, Student Services Building

**Beat the Rush Fall 2023**  
AUGUST 21 - AUGUST 26  
Welcome Back to LACCD!  
Extended Hours  
Available Services Include:  
Admissions & Records  
Bookstore  
Business Office  
Career Center  
Counseling  
Financial Aid  
Health Services  
Library  
Student Services  
Tutoring Center  
Workforce Center

The Fall Semester Starts on Monday, August 28

#### East Los Angeles College

- [Taco Tuesday](#), August 1
- [ELAC Summer Kickback](#), August 12
- [Southeast LA Goes to College](#), August 12

#### Los Angeles City College

- [Registration Fair](#), August 12
- [Beat the Rush](#), August 21
- [Beat the Rush](#), August 22
- [Beat the Rush](#), August 23
- [Beat the Rush](#), August 24
- [Beat the Rush](#), August 25
- [Beat the Rush-Special Saturday Hours](#), August 26

#### Los Angeles Harbor College

- [Super Saturday Registration & Open House Event](#), August 2
- [Registration Event](#), August 9
- [Super Saturday Registration & Open House Event](#), August 12
- [Registration Event](#), August 23
- [Registration Event](#), August 26

#### Los Angeles Mission College

- [Enrollment Day](#), August 2
- [Enrollment Day](#), August 9
- [Super Saturday](#), August 12
- [Enrollment Day](#), August 16
- [Enrollment Day](#), August 23

#### Los Angeles Pierce College

- [Super Saturday at the Welcome Center w/ EOPS & Adult Ed](#), August 12
- [Super Saturday at the Welcome Center](#), August 19
- [Last Chance Super Saturday at Welcome Center](#), August 26

#### Los Angeles Southwest College

- [Southwest Daze](#), August 12
- [2023 Fall Opening Days](#), August 24

#### Los Angeles Trade-Technical College

- [Fall 2023 Virtual Registration Workshop](#), August 2
- [Fall 2023 Virtual Registration Workshop](#), August 9
- [Fall 2023 Registration Day Event](#), August 12
- [Fall 2023 Virtual Registration Workshop](#), August 16
- [Fall 2023 Open House](#), August 19
- [Fall 2023 Virtual Registration Workshop](#), August 23

#### Los Angeles Valley College

- [In-Person Monarch Registration Day](#), August 12
- [Virtual Monarch Registration Day](#), August 23
- [In-Person Monarch Registration Day](#), August 26

#### West Los Angeles College

- [Registration Day Event](#), August 4
- [Registration Day Event](#), August 12
- [Registration Day Event](#), August 18
- [Registration Day Event](#), August 26



#### LACCD Students are Traveling the World this Summer Thanks to Special Programs Funded by Generous Donors and Partners

Selected LA College Promise students visited France and Ecuador in June 2023 through the Mayor's Young Ambassador (MaYA) program, a partnership of the City of Los Angeles, Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles, LACCD, and Foundation for the Los Angeles Community Colleges. Students participated in volunteer activities, cultural exchanges, and embassy visits.

Three LACCD students attended the UnidosUS conference in Chicago in July, following their successful completion of the Avanzando Through College program. Attendees connected with other Latino student leaders from across the county and met with dignitaries, including US Vice President Kamala Harris!



MaYA: LA College Promise students in Ecuador.



Chicago/UnidosUS: LACCD students and staff with US Assistant Secretary for the Administration for Children and Families January Contreras.



MaYA: LA College Promise students in Paris, France.

### Taqueada Event Supporting Students

In July, the Foundation also hosted a Taqueada and BBQ in support of in-language courses and student success at LACCD. Special thanks to Trustee Buelna and to special guest Assemblymember Mike Fong.

LACCD Chancellor and Trustees with Assemblymember Mike Fong



On July 12, 2023, two LACCD-sponsored bills were passed by the Senate Education Committee. AB 506 (Fong) Community College Ethnic Studies Bill will push a reset button on the Community College ethnic studies course approval process, enabling a more collaborative and transparent process in approving community college courses that meet Subject Area F for students transferring to California State Universities. The bill passed 6-0 from Committee and was referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee. AB 1096 (Fong) Native Language Instruction passed the Senate Education Committee with a vote of 6-0. This bill will increase access to high-quality post-secondary education by enabling community college students to take classes in their native language without requiring them to take a concurrent ESL course.

On July 16, 2023, Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 1151 (McKinnor), another measure sponsored by LACCD. The bill requires Community College Districts (CCD) to give priority access to the use of college facilities/grounds to organizations, clubs, and associations serving people from socioeconomically disadvantaged communities. In addition, it allows the CCD to grant facility use to specified organizations without charge. The bill also authorizes the governing board of a community college district to require a certificate of insurance to raise the minimum coverage amount of \$1 million.



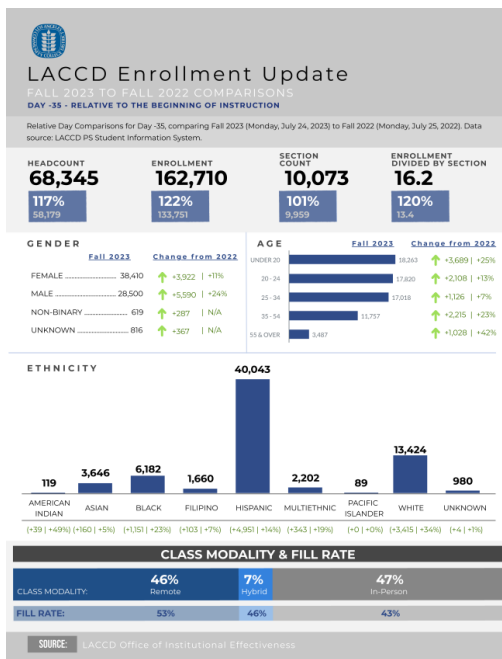
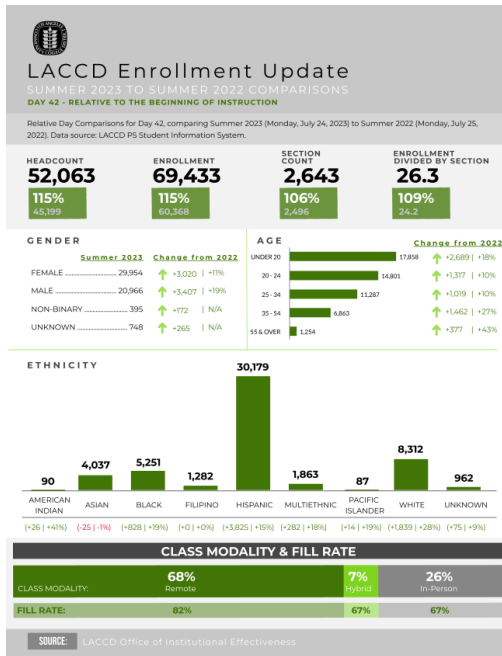
Left to Right: Sophia Kwong, Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez, Assemblymember Mike Fong, Trustee Gabriel Buelna and Maria Luisa Veloz.



Trustee Gabriel Buelna testifying before the Senate Education Committee on AB 506.

### Campus Events & Updates





[More Information](#)







**BEAT THE RUSH FALL 2023**

**AUGUST 21 - AUGUST 26**

Welcome Back to LACCI!

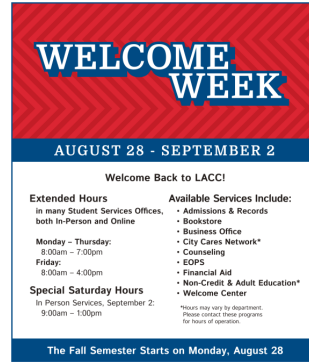
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**Special Saturday Hours**  
Enrollment Fair, August 12:  
10:00am - 2:00pm  
In Person Services, August 26:  
9:00am - 1:00pm

\*Hours may vary by department. Please contact these programs for hours of operation.

The Fall Semester Starts on Monday, August 28

LACC will hold our Fall Beat the Rush event the week of August 21, offering extended hours and services and special Saturday hours on August 12 and 26.



**WELCOME WEEK**

**AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 2**

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LACC will hold our Fall Welcome Week beginning August 28 through September 2, offering extended hours and services and special Saturday hours September 2.

## 12-Year-Old Graduate Fiona Currie

LACC recent grad Fiona Currie, our 12-year-old graduate, got a video shout out from Supervisor Kathryn Barger.

## Annual Picnic

LACC will hold its annual picnic for staff on August 10th at Griffith Park.



## ELAC Department of Psychology and Addiction Studies Program Awarded \$8.1 Million in Grants

ELAC Psychology Department and Addiction Studies program was recently awarded \$8.1 million in grants. This is the largest ever received by the department and also one of the largest grants awarded in ELAC history. There has been a [shortage of Addiction Counselors](#) in the United States and ELAC is ready to bolster the workforce. A portion of this grant will also go to the ELAC Foundation to help train and place addiction counseling interns.

**ELAC Department Psychology and Addiction studies program will receive the following grants:**

- \$6.1 million from the Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) Department to train and place a total of 158 Substance Use Disorder (SUD) counselors over the next 3 years. Grant partners in the Substance Use Disorders Earn and Learn (SUDEAL) project include the Amity Foundation, Cuesta College, CRCD, LA CADA treatment center, NewWays toWork, and Helpline Youth Counseling.
- \$1.5 million from the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (DAS) to administer a 3-year Substance Use and Behavioral Disorders Apprenticeship Program (SUBDAP). ELAC's SUD Apprenticeship program was recently approved by the State's Department of Labor and this project will significantly increase employment opportunities for Addiction Studies graduates.
- \$203,000 from the Justice and Careers Opportunity Department (JCOD) to continue the College to Careers Bridge program targeting persons who have been impacted by the criminal justice system and helping them earn a certificate in Addiction Studies.
- \$135,000 awarded to the ELAC Foundation to train and place Addiction Counseling interns at Helpline Youth Counseling's Mentored Internship Program (MIP)
- \$60,000 was awarded to the ELAC Foundation to process stipends for the SUBDAP grant.
- \$150,000 was awarded to the ELAC Foundation for the ELAC Cares Grant, helping youth start their career pathway in the Addiction Studies Field.

## ELAC Pathway to Law School Program Partners with Local Law Firm for Internship

Three East Los Angeles College (ELAC) students were selected to be interns with a local law firm. Gina Zapanta and Mike Alder of Z.A. Lawyers worked with ELAC's Pathway to Law School professor Ken Chaiprasert to identify students for the internship.

Gina and Z.A. Lawyers created monthly real-life law situations that were embedded into the Pathway to Law School program. Students Angela Romero, Monique Ortega, and Jayro Nunez were a part of the students who completed all the monthly exercises and were the three selected by Z.A. Lawyers to start the paid internship this summer.

Gina Zapanta has close ties to ELAC and wanted to make sure this internship opportunity focused on community college students. Her father, Dr. Richard Zapanta, was born and raised in East Los Angeles and graduated from Garfield High School and ELAC before going on to receive his medical degree from USC. Dr. Zapanta built a respected legacy of philanthropy and civic leadership while also mentoring high school, college and medical students. His [Legacy Fund Scholarship](#) provides financial assistance to ELAC students each year.

The interns will also be experiencing real-world law problems and work. They start with an overview of the firm and then are consistently placed in high-interaction spaces where they work directly with clients of Z.A. Lawyers. This helps to give the interns first-hand knowledge of what different needs are required for each case.

### Upcoming Event:

Join us for a night of fun! We are hosting a kickback on August 12th and will have a car show and movie night! You can register for Fall classes and get help with application, financial aid, admissions, counseling and more!

Our E3/E7 Quad will be transformed into a summer oasis with prizes and games for all. Multiple car clubs will be in attendance with their best show ready cars to view.

There also will be Pinks Hotdogs, La Michocana, and popcorn to eat. We will also be showing the Super Mario Bros. movie starting at 8pm.

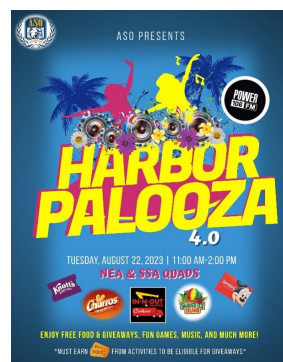
Best part is all of this is FREE!

ELAC Summer Kickback  
August 12, 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.  
E3/E7 Quad  
[RSVP HERE](#)



### Registration, Registration, Registration!

Harbor is set to bring back it's Seahawks with [Registration Events on Power Wednesdays and Super Saturdays](#). There is already a buzz in the air as students and families fill the hallways and offices getting ready for the Fall. Check out our [Instagram](#)!



### Harbor Palooza 4.0 August 22, 2023

There is no better way to bring back students than with [Harbor Palooza](#).

Enjoy free giveaways, fun games, music from Power 106FM and In & Out! We are ready for an exciting Fall 2023 Semester.

### Summer Strong @ LAHC\_Athletics

Not only are our Academic Programs gearing up for Fall, so are our Athletes. Go Seahawks!

## Opening Day for Faculty and Staff

August 3 is set for Classified Opening Day and August 24 is set for Faculty Opening Day. We'd love to have all our staff together, but know that many times, our Classified are busy serving students during Opening Day. President Dorado has established "Classified Opening Day" to include them in the festivities for the Fall as well as to hear the State of the College address.

## Ground Breaking Ceremony

Harbor hosted the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the New Southeast Hall. Our priority is to improve the quality and education of our students, which is why the new building will have spaces for our Nursing, Health Sciences, Equity and DSPS programs. A new Multi-Purpose Plaza awaits our Seahawks Fall 2025! Thank you Chancellor Rodriguez and BOT President, David Vela, for attending the event.



## Transferchella – August 11, 2023

Our Transfer Center has geared up to help our students with the Transfer process with "Transferchella" workshops / University Representatives available / and more! Can't wait to show our Seahawks all the options they have.



## Congressman Cárdenas Presents \$2 Million to LA Mission College to Increase STEM Workforce Programs

On July 7th, U.S. Rep. Tony Cárdenas announced \$2 million in Community Project Funding to Los Angeles Mission College (LAMC) to increase STEM Workforce programs.

The goal of the project is to expand the current offerings of the Allied Health programs to meet the workforce and demand in the community while supporting non-English speaking, foreign-born STEM workers and those new to or interested in STEM fields.

Assemblymember Luz Rivas, LACCD Trustee Nichelle Henderson, LACCD Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez Ph.D., and LAMC President Armida Ornelas, Ph.D., were all on hand to praise the Congressman for securing the much-needed funding.

"This grant enables us to provide direct student support, removing a significant barrier, and incentivizing student success," said LACCD Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez, Ph.D.

"This is a tremendous investment in L.A. Mission College and will directly support our new short-term Allied Health certificates, which include EKG Technician, Licensed Vocational Nurse, and Phlebotomy Technician," said LAMC President Armida Ornelas, Ph.D.

The grant will allow Los Angeles Mission College to develop a new site in Pacoima which will offer Allied Health certificates alongside ESL and GED courses.



### Enrollment Days Kick into High Gear in August

In August, Los Angeles Mission College will ramp up its fall registration drive by hosting Enrollment Days every Wednesday from 2-5 pm, with a Super Saturday Enrollment and Community Resource Fair scheduled for Saturday, August 12th. For more details, visit [lamission.edu/enrollmentdays](http://lamission.edu/enrollmentdays).

### Celebrating Classified Staff

On June 26th, LAMC held its annual Classified Appreciation Luncheon. The lively event recognized several service levels, highlighted by Lisa Thornley and Francisco Britto reaching the 35-year service mark.

Staff were also honored with awards in individual categories, including Michael Griggs for Best Customer Service, Anna Reyes for Most Enthusiastic, and Suzanne Mignosi for College Team Player. The event was capped off with Groundskeeper Ruth Ward receiving the Classified of the Year award.



### Los Angeles Pierce College Automotive Service Technology 2023 Graduates Receive Snap-On Tool Set and Box from Bob Smith BMW

Department Chair Alex Villalta lead the celebration as 2023 AST Graduates received their tool kits and tool boxes donated by Bob Smith of BMW. It was a great opportunity to send off graduates to work with their own set, each personalized with their names on it. The event, which was held on July 20, also provided the program faculty a chance to send graduates with well wishes and open invitation to the graduates to come back to LAPC for their future training and certification needs. Each tool set costs about \$3,000. Thank you to the program faculty and deans for the quality program and support.





## Super Saturdays Continue to Help Students Enroll at Pierce College

Despite the heat in the valley, LAPC Super Saturdays have been a hit with new, returning, and continuing students. Current and prospective learners, especially Promise Scholars access counseling, college and FAFSA application assistance, follow-up with Financial Aid, registration and student portal help, password reset, and information from programs and services like, EOPS, Athletics, Non-Credit/Workforce Development, Work Study, and many more. The next Super Saturday dates are August 12, 19, and 26, 2023. Thank you to the faculty, staff, student assistants, volunteers, deans, and programs who make this event happen through out the summer.



## LAPC Caring Campus Update

It has been a year since LAPC committed to becoming a Caring Campus as a member of the Institute for Evidence-Based Change. Through the leadership of Shannon Krajewski and our Caring Campus Ambassadors, we have committed to mind-set and behavior changes that put our students first like providing a warm hand-off between services, being familiar with programs on campus, and wearing a name tag, something positively noted by the accreditation team at their spring visit.



In addition, LAPC's Caring Campus team has put together activities and events that create cohesion and opportunities for staff to get to know one another and support each other. The activities continued in the summer with the Caring Campus Magic Question events at the end of July to further build a sense of community, support ownership of student experience, and gather ideas on how the campus can further create a supportive environment for all. Thanks to Shannon Krajewski, the Caring Campus Ambassadors, and supporters for continuing to build a student-centered campus.



## Brahma Transfer Summer Camp

LAPC students attended a three-day summer camp geared to making them "Transfer-Ready!" The event started with overviews on admissions local colleges, universities, and additional transfer options and ended with a field trip to University of California – Irvine, California State University Long Beach, and Loyola Marymount University.

In addition to learning about the admissions process, students also picked up tips and tricks on creating a strong essay that gets students noticed, job exploration, financing a bachelor's degree, and best practices in getting ready for transfer. The camp ran on Fridays from July 7 to July 21, 2023. Thanks to Sunday Salter and her team for a successful camp and continuing to ensure a strong transfer culture at LAPC for our students.



## Camp Xavier

On July 18, 2023, members of the LASC Football team volunteered at Camp Xavier. Camp Xavier is part of The Co-Op, an after-school program at the Mann UCLA Community School. Camp Xavier is designed to inspire and educate and built around creative activities and team building. Campers participate in a two-week program at Loyola High School and the San Bernardino Mountains in partnership with UCLA UniCamp. Campers are guided by supportive adult role models and build trust and community with their peers while exploring their unique interests and strengths.



## Southwest Daze

On August 12, 2023, LASC will host Southwest Daze. This event will be carnival-themed and a family event, so all are welcome for a fun-filled day with games, music, and food. This event will showcase LASC's vibrant college culture and world-class educational environment that is driven by its passionate student-centered faculty, innovative programs and curriculum, growing athletics program, and dedicated staff and administrators committed to preparing students for a successful future. Students will receive assistance with completing the FAFSA, learn about academic offerings and support services, find out about the LA Promise Program, enroll and register for classes, tour the college, and much more.



## Fall 2023 Opening Days

During August 22-24, 2023, the LASC Professional Growth Committee will facilitate the 2023 LASC Opening Days. The theme and discussion will focus on "Care, Collegiality, & Collective Reflection". Workshops will be presented by faculty and staff on various topics including Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Antiracism, technology, Culturally-Responsive Teaching, pedagogy, shared governance, health and wellness, and more.



## Mark Your Calendars for LATTTC's Fall Open House Enrollment Event on Saturday, August 19

LATTTC hosts its Fall 2023 Open House on Saturday, August 19 from 9 am-1 pm. Prospective and continuing students, as well as community members can learn about Trade-Tech's academic and student service programs and enroll in fall classes while engaging in activities such as campus tours, music, food, and giveaways!



[Register today!](#)



LA County Supervisor Hilda Solis, LACCD Trustee Sara Hernandez, and Dr. Alfred McQuarters (center) alongside other community organizations at the City of LA's Central-Downtown job fair.

### LATTTC Serves as Host Location for LA City's Regional Job Fair

On Thursday, July 13, the City of LA hosted their Central-Downtown Los Angeles Connect LA Job Fair at Trade-Tech. The event was attended by more than 50 employers and over 400 guests. As part of the morning's program, remarks were provided by LA City's Economic & Workforce Development Department General Manager Carolyn Hull, LA County Supervisor Hilda Solis, LATTTC President Dr. Alfred McQuarters, and LACCD Trustee Sara Hernandez.

The job and resource fair is part of an overall effort by the City's Workforce Development System to increase employment activities to help revitalize the economy post pandemic. It was a great day to serve with our community partners in empowering our workforce.

### Edison Celebrates 2023 Scholarship Recipients Who Begin at LATTTC This Fall

On Wednesday, July 19, 2023, Edison hosted a special recognition ceremony celebrating the 2023 lineworker scholarship recipients. These twelve men and women will begin Trade-Tech's six-month Powerline Mechanic program this fall with their tuition and needed tools covered by the scholarship.

The Lineworker scholarship program launched in 2021 in partnership with IBEW Local 47 to promote greater diversity among Southern California Edison's lineworkers. The annual program awards scholarships up to \$25,000 per recipient and is funded by Edison International shareholders and IBEW Local 47.



Edison leadership poses alongside the scholarship recipients: LATTTC President Dr. Alfred McQuarters (right) poses with Edison's Senior VP of Corporate Affairs, Caroline Choi; President and CEO of SoCal Edison, Steven Powell; and SoCal Edison Executive VP of Operations, Jill Anderson.



2023 Lineworker scholarship recipient Lazarus Fuentes with his family; 2022 lineworker scholarship recipients, Ian Clay, Jovan Nichols, Jordan Barnes, and Maesean Misher.

### LATTTC's Reentry Pathway Hosts 2nd Annual Resource Fair

On Thursday, July 20, LATTTC's Reentry pathway teamed up with [A New Way of Life](#) for the 2nd Annual Reentry Resource Fair. The fair featured employment opportunities, professional training, and community resources for visitors—particularly those who were formerly incarcerated. Nearly 60 partner organizations were in attendance, including Amazon, FedEx, LinkedIn, the Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Social Services, and the Department of Rehabilitation. Additional legal, housing, and food resources joined the event.

LATTTC's Reentry Pathway works year-round to provide resources and support to formerly incarcerated students, including expungement services, student peer support, and referrals.



Currently, LATTC's Reentry program is proud to assist more than 75 students.



Visitors to LATTC's Reentry Resource Fair were able to benefit from a number of resources and services, including assistance with ID cards from the Department of Motor Vehicles.



(Left) LATTC's Reentry Pathway; (Right) A New Way of Life



Pictured L to R: LAVC VP Academic Affairs Matt Jordan, LACCD Trustee Andra Hoffman, Sarah Horvet of Galpin Motors, LAVC President Barry Gribbons and LAPC President Ara Aguiar.

### LAVC Receives a SIBBIE Award

Los Angeles Valley College received the Success in Business SIBBIE Award from the Greater San Fernando Valley Chamber of Commerce on July 22. The award was presented on July 22 at the chamber's annual Gala held at the Radford Studio Center (formerly CBS Studios).

### Dr. Gribbons named to the Valley 200 by the San Fernando Valley Business Journal

The San Fernando Valley Business Journal recognized Dr. Barry Gribbons as one of the 200 most influential education leaders in the Greater San Fernando Valley. The announcement was made in its July 31 special edition.



### August 2023 Events

**Basic Needs Center Weekly Food Distribution - August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**

The Basic Needs Center's Monarchs Market Weekly Food Distributions is held every Thursday at 11:30 am. Student are eligible to receive a wide variety of fresh produce and non-perishables.



### In-Person Monarch Registration Day August 12

Stop by our Fall 2023 **Monarch Registration Day** in the Student Services Center for in-person assistance from Counseling, Financial Aid, Admissions, and much more!! If you enroll in a class during the event, you will be entered into a raffle for an opportunity to win a \$100 LAVC Bookstore gift card. There will be food and opportunities to win prizes.

### Virtual Monarch Registration Day August 23

Chat live with representatives from Admissions, Counseling and Financial Aid to help you apply and enroll in Fall classes at **Virtual Monarch Registration Day**.

### In-Person Monarch Registration Day August 26

Come to **Monarch Registration Day** for in-person assistance from Counseling, Financial Aid, Admissions and more!! If you enroll in a Fall class during the event, you will be entered into a raffle for an opportunity to win a \$100 LAVC Bookstore gift card.

**August 25** - LAVC Women's Soccer team will host El Camino College in the Monarch's 2023 home and season opener at 4 p.m. in Monarch Stadium.



### CCC Chancellor's Climate Series Talks Kicks Off at West

As June came to an end, California Community Colleges Chancellor Sonya Christian kicked off a series of climate change events at West Los Angeles College in partnership with the college's California Center for Climate Change Education.

"Here at West Los Angeles College, the Center for Climate Change Education is setting a precedent for high-profile work in climate. The Center will now prepare students for good-paying jobs...West LA's Associate Degrees in Climate Science are a first of their kind and they are designed with a curriculum that can be adapted and adopted by other colleges across the state," said Christian.

The conference, attended by nearly 200 state, education and community leaders, was titled "California Community Colleges and Climate: Defining the Possible." The focus was on defining priorities for the California Community Colleges in addressing climate change mitigation, adaptation and resilience.

Speakers included Ben Chida, Deputy Cabinet Secretary, Office of the Governor – and community college alumnus; Stewart Knox, Secretary of the California Labor & Workforce Development Agency; Glenda Humiston, Vice President for Agriculture & Natural Resources, University of California; and our own LACCD Chancellor Francisco C. Rodriguez and WLAC President James M. Limbaugh.



### LA Promise Summer Transition Slots Full

Nearly 240 recent high school graduates have signed up for the Summer Transition Program required to be part of the \$0 tuition LA College Promise Program. The six cohorts of 40 students each spend a week at West exploring their interests, participating in interactive career-focused workshops, completing orientation, receiving counseling and crafting their two-semester education plans, submitting their FAFSA or CA Dream Act applications, and enrolling in 12 or more units.

During this process, several students have been matched to internship opportunities. One student from the first cohort has been hired by BuildLACCD and another is interviewing for several open positions.



### Summer Fun (and Connections) at West

West is hosting several events throughout the summer to encourage the community to browse, enjoy and discover us. On July 4th, the Culver City Exchange Club Fireworks Show was again held at West. Thousands enjoyed picnicking, food trucks, music and fireworks as well as information on the college. Later in July, the college hosted two outdoor yoga sessions in the Fine Arts Courtyard on Saturday mornings. In August, a large crowd is expected for a Street Food Cinema event which will run a video about college before the movie and include an information booth throughout the event.



### COMING SOON - Registration Days

West will hold four Registration Day events in August on Fridays and Saturdays to assist students with getting started, re-started or continuing their progress. The events are focused on enrollment transactions moving students from prospective to applied, applied to enrolled and low-enrolled to more fully enrolled. To incentivize students and other community members to attend, "Tasty Truck Days" will be held on the same days featuring a different pair of food trucks each day.



### In The News

[Apple's Racial Equity and Justice Initiative surpasses \\$200 million in investments, doubling initial 2020 commitment](#)  
Ethical Marketing News

[California Community Colleges, Harmonies that Work Well Together!](#)  
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[Rep. Schiff introduces Bill to Help End Food Insecurity at Community Colleges](#)  
Community College Daily

[Tony Cárdenas grants LA Mission College \\$2 million to boost healthcare careers](#)  
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### About the Los Angeles Community College District

LACCD ([www.laccd.edu](http://www.laccd.edu)) is the nation's largest community college district, educating about 250,000 students annually at its nine colleges that serve the residents of more than 36 cities and communities from 900 square miles of Los Angeles County. Since 1969, the District has been providing an important learning pathway for students seeking transfer to four-year colleges or universities while also offering two-year degrees and certificated training programs to Southern California's diverse workforce in many specialized trades and professions.

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