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Chancellor **Fred Wood** addresses the crowd of faculty and staff at Diablo Valley College, one of his three stops on All College Day.

## All College Day 2018

**E** ach year for All College Day, faculty and staff are welcomed back to the campus to learn more about what's in store for the upcoming semester. At this year's events held on August 21, 2018, Chancellor **Fred Wood** discussed changes on the horizon for the 2018-2019 academic year. He shared several challenges the District will soon face, like the new funding formula and remedial education reform, and highlighted the great work achieved by staff and faculty, including the District's new program offering free tuition for first-time, full-time students. The chancellor ended his comments by encouraging faculty and staff to participate in the upcoming Districtwide Strategic Plan feedback sessions and meetings.

#### **Board Report**

To review highlights of the Governing Board Meeting held on August 22, 2018, click on the link below:

http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board\_reports/August%2022,%202018.pdf

#### **Cabinet Highlights**

To review highlights of the Cabinet meeting held on August 7, 2018, click on the link below:

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## District Announces Free Tuition for First-Time, Full-Time Students

As part of the continuing effort to provide affordable, accessible, quality education to all students, the District has announced free tuition for first-time, full-time Contra Costa

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## First Time Full Time Free Tuition

College (CCC), Diablo Valley College (DVC) and Los Medanos College (LMC) students effective Monday, August 27, 2018, the first day of the fall 2018 semester. The District will provide free tuition for up to a full year to eligible students under the California College Promise, the statewide initiative to fund free tuition at community colleges.

In order to receive free tuition, CCC, DVC and LMC students must meet the following requirements:

- Be a first-time college student
- Complete the District's Pledge Application
- Complete the FAFSA or California Dream Act application
- Complete an educational plan
- Enroll in and complete a minimum of 12 units
- Maintain a 2.0 GPA

Students are not required to demonstrate financial need or meet any income requirements. The District will cover the \$46 per unit enrollment/tuition fee using a combination of College Promise Program dollars, private donations and other funding sources. While tuition is covered for up to one year, participating students will still be responsible for any books, supplies and materials and other non-course fees that a class requires.

Through the program, the District aims to provide more first-time, full-time students, of all ages and aspirations, the necessary education and skills to succeed. With full-time students showing higher rates of completion, the District hopes to propel students to reach greater heights of achievement.

"We are very excited to have this opportunity to invest in our students' futures," said Chancellor **Fred Wood**. "We hope that many new students will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to launch their college careers very cost effectively. We are so thankful that the Legislature and Governor understand the great value of community colleges and are making this important investment in our students."

The California College Promise Program was signed into law by Gov. Jerry Brown last October under Assembly Bill 19, which allowed California's community colleges to provide tuition-free education to students. The bill was authored to promote and encourage a collegegoing culture throughout the state and increase completion rates among community college students.

To learn more about the District's free-tuition program for first-time students, please visit *http://www.4cd.edu/ed/cp/*.

The Contra Costa Community College District, founded in 1948 and governed by a publicly elected five-member board, is one of the largest multi-college community college districts in California. The mission of the District is to attract and transform students and communities by providing accessible, innovative and outstanding higher education learning opportunities and support services.

Contra Costa Community College District is committed to equal opportunity in educational programs, employment, and campus life. The District does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender, marital status, national origin, parental status, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status in any access to and treatment in College programs, activities, and application for employment

## Contra Costa College Partners with Toyota for T-TEN Program

On August 16, 2018, Contra Costa College (CCC) celebrated its new partnership with Toyota to offer the Automotive Technician Training and Education Network (T-TEN) program. The T-TEN program educates, develops and places thousands of factory certified technicians in challenging, rewarding and well-paid positions at automotive dealerships across the U.S.

During the celebratory reception, CCC President **Dr. Katrina VanderWoude** joined Toyota executives and District Office leadership in discussing the new program with an audience that included CCC Automotive students and staff, as well as local dealers. Attendees participated in brief tours of the facilities where students will receive intense



District leadership joined CCC Automotive faculty and staff in celebrating a new partnership with Toyota Corp. Left from right: Executive Vice Chancellor, Education and Technology **Mojdeh Mehdizadeh**, Governing Board President John E. Márquez, CCC President **Dr. Katrina VanderWoude**, CCC Interim Dean LAVA Division Lucille Beatty and CCC Automotive Services Faculty **Bobby Sturgeon**.

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instruction on diagnosing and repairing Toyota and Lexus vehicles. The CCC T-TEN program will begin fall 2020 with a cohort of 16 students who will receive structured and rigorous instruction through a variety of classroom and hands-on training. During the program, students will also participate in paid internships at local dealerships as they pursue certifications for Toyota and Lexus vehicles.

"Through Toyota's T-TEN program, students will get Toyota factory training with hands-on paid internships, which will give them the opportunity for living wage jobs and/or career advancement after graduation," said CCC's Interim Dean, Library, Allied Health, Vocational Education & Athletics, **Lucile Beatty**. "This partnership will provide additional opportunities for our faculty to stay current with technological advancements in the automotive industry, and Bay Area Toyota dealerships will have a constant stream of Toyota T-TEN graduates to employ. It's a win-win-win partnership."

# **District Welcomes New Employees**

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Please welcome the following new employees who were approved by the Governing Board in August.

#### Location Title Name CCC **Andre Payne-Singleton** Dean **Regular Academic Employees** Title Location Name CCC Jessie Chou **Computer Science** CCC Jennifer Griest Music CCC **Troy Hess Emergency Medical Technologies** DVC **Emily Moss** Librarian **Regular Monthly Classified Employees** Location Name Title CCC Christina Craig-Chardon **Program Coordinator** CCC Alden Gaines Science Laboratory Technician DVC **Rachel DeChristofaro Disabled Students Programs and Services Assistant** DVC Laetitia McCullough Instructional Assistant DVC Tatiana Pak Library Technician

Regular Managers

DVC