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## All College Day 2020

On Friday, August 21, 2020, Contra Costa College (CCC), Diablo Valley College (DVC) and Los Medanos College (LMC) faculty and staff gathered virtually for All College Day. The college-wide event occurs at the beginning of the semester as a way to launch the new academic year and set the tone for the upcoming months.

Interim President **Damon Bell** kicked off CCC's All College Day with updates provided by campus leaders, including new Interim Vice President of Instruction, **Norma Ambriz-Galaviz** who introduced herself to the college community. Senate leaders discussed the work being done at each constituency level while the Associated Students Union president spoke on behalf of CCC students. College faculty and staff learned more about the social justice work that occurred over the summer by the African American, Asian Pacific Islander and Latinx Staff Associations and the status of guided pathways, accreditation and strategic planning. The college also shared updates on the recruitment of various key positions across the campus and were treated to a sneak peek of upcoming marketing campaigns happening on campus and in the community.



At DVC's All College Day, faculty and staff had an opportunity to view prerecorded messages from leaders across the Pleasant Hill and San Ramon campuses, including a special update on providing support to students during the pandemic. The live portion of the day commenced with DVC President **Susan Lamb** giving a warm welcome to new classified professionals, managers and faculty who also heard from Classified and Academic Senate presidents **Marisa Greenberg** and **John Freytag**. President Lamb shared her goals for the year and gave updates on the budget, returning to work, and management restructuring. College leaders also shared information on campus construction projects and accreditation. The college also heard from the DVC's Student Equity and Success committee and Racial Justice Task Force discuss ways for employees to better support students and reaffirm their commitment to equity and social justice.

President **Bob Kratochvil** kicked off LMC's virtual All College Day by highlighting events and activities from Spring and Summer, including the various new certificates and degrees being offered. Classified and Academic Senate leaders addressed the college and announced an upcoming joint senate hall. After reviewing the work that had been done, the college shared future plans for the Fall semester, led by **Sabrina Kwist**, Dean of Equity and Inclusion, whose office aims to address the rise in student need. In an attempt to meet that growing need, the Office of Equity and Inclusion has provided additional support during the remote fall semester, which includes weekly access to the on-campus food pantry, library book distribution, online tutoring, emergency grants, free immigrant legal services and more. In addition to the various work being done across the campus, the college is also preparing for its accreditation visits, which happen this October.



## District Welcomes New Employees

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

### Regular Managers

Location	Name	Title
CCC	Norma Ambriz-Galaviz	Vice President (Interim)

### Regular Academic Employees

Location	Name	Title
DVC	Durrain Ansari-Yan	Health
DVC	Manuel Covarrubias	Electrical Engineering
DVC	Brandon Ignatowski	Health
LMC	Candice Mayo	English
DVC	Susan Parkinson	Biological Sciences
DVC	Stephen Watkins	Business

### Regular Monthly Classified Employees

Location	Name	Title
LMC	Myles Crain	Math Laboratory Coordinator, Senior
DST	Manuel Mandapat	Fiscal Operations Specialist

## Board Reports

To review highlights of the Special Governing Board Meeting held on August 8, 2020, click on the link below:

[http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board\\_reports/August%208,%202020.pdf](http://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board_reports/August%208,%202020.pdf)

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