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4CD Kicks off 2023-24 Academic Year

The fall semester kicked off with All-College Day (ACD) celebrations on Friday, August 18th.



Contra Costa College employees listen to ACD presentations.

Contra Costa Colleges ACD theme was focused on “Culture as Our Collective Strength: Employing the Concept of Servingness to Promote Student Success and Equity”. The morning provided updates on CCC’s work as a member of the Achieving the Dream (ATD): Accelerating Equitable Outcomes for Black, Latinx, Indigenous and People of Color cohort.



Diablo Valley College (DVC) spent their ACD morning talking about their progress on the Student Equity Plan: A Year of Action and Enrollment Recovery Efforts. DVC will host a mid-semester Student Equity Retreat to continue working on their three-year phased approach.

Los Medanos College (LMC) used their ACD to welcome new employees, and celebrate their employee years of service milestones, including **Estelle Davi** who celebrated 50 years with 4CD! The morning included discussion around LMC’s Educational Master Plan and Plan for Student Equity and Achievement, followed by a student panel, focused on the student’s perspective of connectedness with the college.



*Interim Chancellor **Mojdeh Mehdizadeh** addresses Los Medanos College employees.*

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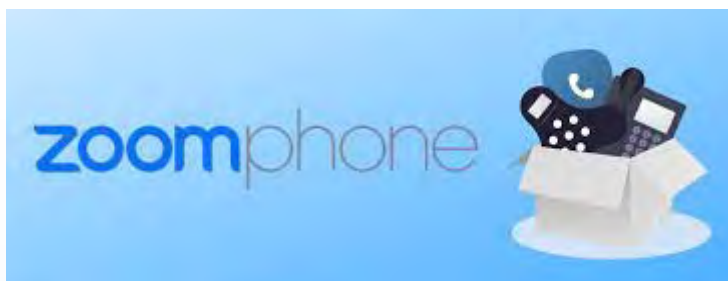
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<https://www.4cd.edu/crpa/the-news/index.html>

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E-mail the Communications and Community Relations Office at info@4cd.edu.

4CD Begins Implementation of Zoom Phones

The 4CD IT department has begun the process of transitioning from traditional desk phones to the use of



Zoom phones districtwide. Beginning Labor Day weekend, the District Office will be the first site to move to the new system. Employee and department phone numbers will remain the same, as well as the ability to manage answering calls from the queue. In addition, Zoom phones provide the added ability to send text messages. The rollout for the colleges will be done primarily over holiday weekends to reduce the impact on both students and employees.

The transition schedule for each site will be as follows:

- September 1 (Labor Day Weekend): District Office
- September 8: DVC - San Ramon Campus
- October 6 - October 9 (Indigenous People's Day Weekend): Contra Costa College
- November 10 - November 12 (Veteran's Day Weekend): Los Medanos College Pittsburg and Brentwood
- Winter Break: DVC - Pleasant Hill Campus

More information can be found at: <https://www.4cd.edu/zoom/phones.html>



4CD Expands Free Tuition Program

When the First-Time, Full-Time, Free Tuition (FT3) program first began in 2018, it was limited to students who had not previously enrolled in college. Due to changes in the law, 4CD has now renamed the program "Full-Time, Free Tuition" program, offering free tuition to all full-time students who meet the eligibility criteria.

By removing the first-time requirement, returning students are now eligible for free tuition while attending full-time at 4CD colleges for up to two academic years. Students who have received one year of tuition from the FT3 program may be eligible for up to one additional year of free tuition. Students will no longer have to complete the pledge and can click "accept" on their financial aid tile instead.

For more information on the Full-time, Free Tuition program, visit <https://www.4cd.edu/insite/full-time-free-tuition-program/index.html>.

4CD Welcomes New AVC/CFO

Dr. Tony Wold became 4CD's new fiscal leader, after having his contract for Associate Vice Chancellor of Finance/CFO ratified at the August 9th, 2023, Governing Board meeting. Dr. Wold joins 4CD after having served in multiple school districts as Associate Superintendent and Chief Business Officer in leadership roles in Business, Labor Negotiations, Student Services, and Student Assessment.

A native of Redwood City, Tony received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the Marshall School of Business at the University of Southern California (USC). He completed his School Business Management Certification and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership at USC. He also earned Chief Business Official certifications from the Council of Great City Schools, and Lead Negotiators certification from the School Employers Association of California (SEAC).



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.



District Welcomes New Employees

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

Regular Managers

Location	Name	Title
DST	Rosdinah Baharin	Facilities Project Manager

Regular Academic Employees

Location	Name	Title
DVC	NaTisha Hudson	Counseling
DVC	Rupinder Jagpal	Computer Science
DVC	Eli Moore	Mathematics
DVC	Mohammed Moten	Communication Studies
DVC	Paul Villa	Communication Studies
LMC	Anthony Blakey-Williams	Emergency Medical Technologies
LMC	Jessica Linares Boyle	Counseling
LMC	Brittney West	Counseling

Regular Monthly Classified Employees

Location	Name	Title
CCC	Gabriela Valencia	Admissions/Records Assistant I
DVC	Fevzi Kavrik	Laboratory Coordinator, Senior
DVC	Mary Jane Klein	Administrative Assistant III
LMC	Walter Gutierrez	Building Maintenance Worker

Board Report

To review highlights of the Governing Board Meeting held August 9, 2023, click on the link below:

<https://www.4cd.edu/crpa/board-reports/2022-2023/August%209,%202023.pdf>

Cabinet Highlights

To review highlights of the Cabinet meetings held in August 2023, click on the link below:

<https://www.4cd.edu/crpa/chancellors-cabinet/2022-2023/August%202023.pdf>

District Governance Committee

To learn more about the District Governance Committee, click on the link below:

<https://www.4cd.edu/about/committees/dgc/>

