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Hello Siskiyous and happy first day of the semester!

Although I am excited to see new and continuing students this morning, I am also extremely saddened by our loss. Mary would be the first one I interacted with in the mornings, and she always had a smile on her face. Seeing her was such a great way to start my day. In honor of Mary, Admissions and Records is offering start of the semester treats and coffee. Feel free to stop by.

This week's updates:

- **Enrollment Report:** Can be accessed [here](#).
- **Maintenance and Facilities Updates:** A new Bird X machine has been installed near the Science building. It is supposed to discourage the pigeons from nesting on our buildings for up to 6 acres. It is Humane, Eco-Friendly & Non-Toxic. A sound of a predator, amplified from the device, is used to deter pigeons. Please alert Maintenance & Facilities if the sound is impacting instruction and/or services. The window cleaner will be working on the Science building this week. Randy Voris from Voris Sound will be installing the new sound equipment in the theater. Josh Simas will be painting the parking lot stripes on the Weed campus. The Makerspace room in Yreka is complete and we will be putting the equipment back into the room Wednesday morning.
- **COVID and Respiratory Illnesses:** We have seen a recent increase in COVID cases. As you know, the 'state of emergency' has discontinued but we still urge individuals to stay home if you feel ill. This will assist in preventing COVID from spreading. If you feel sick, please follow [CDC guidelines](#). Individuals can get tested for COVID at: Dignity Health Center, Shasta Valley Community Health Center, Rite Aid and CVS. To find a testing location near you, visit: <https://myturn.ca.gov/testing.html>.
- **Students Needed!** We are looking for student representation on Councils and Committees as well as soliciting student interest for two new, potential clubs: AV Club and Cheerleading Club. Please see all flyers attached and share widely!
- **Reminder: Complete Convocation and Flex Survey by Aug 23, 2024:**
<https://forms.office.com/r/TQFqfxc0rt>

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- **Engaging with Native American Communities and Students:** Webinar today from 12p - 1p. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87509888013>

"Rompiendo Barreras: Advancing Men of Color in California Community Colleges":

Thursday, August 29, 2024 from 2p - 4p. This event highlights promising practices for increasing enrollment, retention, and success for men of color in higher education.

Learn about key research findings on men of color and AB 705. To register, click [here](#).

This semester, we will be receiving assistance from the Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) Partner Resource Team (PRT). Our first visit is scheduled on Friday, Oct 4th. All consistency members should have received or will be receiving an Outlook invite. The primary focus for this visit is to address campus climate. The team's first visit is to gain an understanding of the current climate of the campus. Meetings with constituency groups are confidential. Only constituency members and PRT members will be present in each meeting. Once the PRT has gathered the needed information, they will provide the College with a Menu of Options (MOO). The College will then engage in determining which MOO recommendations would be most beneficial to implement. For more information visit:

<https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/Institutional-Effectiveness/Institutional-Effectiveness-Partnership-Initiative/Partnership-Resource-Teams>. I

will also be attending constituency meetings to answer any questions you may have!

Thanks and have a great start to the semester!

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