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Monthly REPORT

May 1, 2024

Dear LACCD Colleagues:

Spring celebrations, or as I like to call it, “The Season of Sheet Cakes,” are in the air with so many program and departmental opportunities throughout the District to gather and affirm the achievements of our amazing students.

Here are a few highlights:

- The 4th Annual Culinary Cup will take place on Friday, May 10 at LA Harbor College, 8:00 – 1:30 p.m. Enjoy our first-rate culinary programs in action and a delightful regional culinary experience with top-notch student chefs and accomplished instructors from three superb culinary schools at Los Angeles Harbor College, Los Angeles Mission College, and Los Angeles Trade-Technical College. This year's theme celebrates the vibrant flavors and cultural heritage of New Orleans cuisine. [Visit the website](#) to learn more.
- Our graduates who represent our rich and vibrant tapestry are celebrated at LACCD. [Read more information on these events and how to register.](#)
 - Lavender Graduate Celebration, May 17 at 4:00 p.m., LA Mission College
 - Asian Pasifika Desi American Graduate Celebration, May 18 at 11:00 a.m., LA Harbor College
 - Black Graduate Celebration, May 23 at 3:00 p.m., LA Southwest College
 - Mi Gente Graduate Celebration, June 1 at 4:00 p.m., East LA College
- Our 2024 Annual Commencement Exercises take place on Tuesday, June 4 at eight of the colleges and on June 6 at LA Pierce College. Check with your college for the start time.

Our District prides itself on providing affordable and accessible education to all who seek it. Each student represents immense potential and opportunity. Together, we have the power to unleash and harness that potential, to kindle the flames of curiosity, and to cultivate skills that will shape their lives and the world around us.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I want to express our deep appreciation for your dedication to the success of our students and for your continued support.

With respect and admiration,

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

District Office Events & Updates



MASTER PLAN
for Career Education
Webinar

**What It Is and
Why It's Important
for LACCD**

May 7, 2024
3:30pm - 5pm

Scan the QR code to join via Zoom

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We need your voice! LACCD has an opportunity to provide input and ask questions about the new Master Plan.

The last Master Plan for Higher Education was

written in 1960!

The leaders of California's education and workforce agencies developed a preliminary set of concepts to translate those ideas into concrete actions to create a new Master Plan for Career Education. Currently they are seeking input from across the state.

Hear from Ben Chida, Chief Deputy Cabinet Secretary, Office of the Governor; Kathy Booth, Project Director, WestEd; and welcome remarks from LACCD Chancellor, Francisco C. Rodriguez.



Office of Communications & Marketing

**CELEBRATING
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Los Angeles Mission College

Asian Pasifika Desi American Graduate Celebration
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Los Angeles Harbor College

Black Graduate Celebration
Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 3 pm
Los Angeles Southwest College

Mi Gente Graduate Celebration
Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 4 pm
East Los Angeles College



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MAY 10TH, 2024
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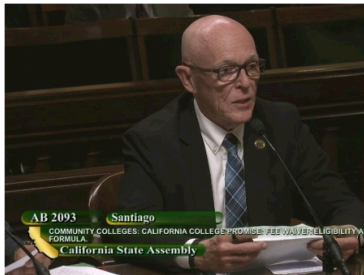
LACCD Advocacy & Events



Thanks to Vice President Kelsey Iino, Chair of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee, our Board of Trustees, Presidents, students, staff, and advocates for successful advocacy efforts on all fronts this month.

Local Advocacy

Trustee Hernandez led a group of students to testify before the LA Metro Board meeting on April 25 in support of making the GoPass permanent. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0.



Statewide Advocacy

Our statewide advocacy efforts have also yielded significant results. Three LACCD-sponsored bills successfully passed policy committees. On April 16, President James Limbaugh testified before the Assembly Higher Education (AHE) Committee in support of AB 2093

(Santiago) Free Community College BA Degree, which passed with a vote of 9-0. On April 24, Ms. Maria Luisa Veloz provided testimony on AB 2931 (Fong) Student Peer Tutoring Bill which passed the AHE Committee unanimously 10-0 and supported SB 895 (Roth) on April 25. The bill was approved with a unanimous bipartisan vote of 7-0.



National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies

President Nichelle Henderson and Trustee Gabriel Buelna led a successful workshop on AB 1096 (Fong), the In-language Bill, at the National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies on April 25. The workshop was well-received,

underscoring the importance of our advocacy efforts.



LACCD Enrollment update



LACCD Credit Enrollment Update

Spring 2024 TO Spring 2023 COMPARISONS

DAY 70 - RELATIVE TO THE BEGINNING OF INSTRUCTION

Relative Day Comparisons for Day 70, comparing Spring 2024 (Monday, April 15, 2024) to Spring 2023 (Monday, April 17, 2023).
Data source: LACCD PS Student Information System.

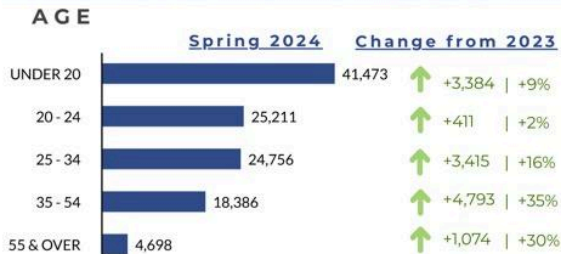
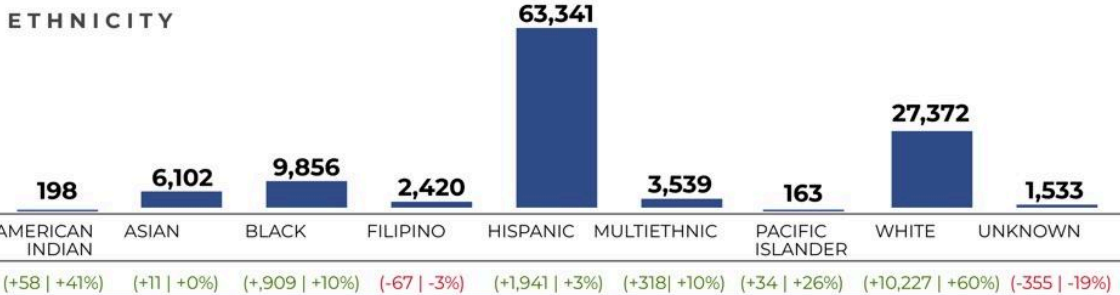
HEADCOUNT
114,524
113%
101,148

ENROLLMENT
230,210
112%
206,001

SECTION COUNT
9,979
102%
9,737

ENROLLMENT DIVIDED BY SECTION
23.1
109%
21.2

GENDER	Spring 2024	Change from 2023
FEMALE	61,570	↑ +4,859 +9%
MALE	50,536	↑ +7,810 +18%
NON-BINARY	922	↑ +182 N/A
UNKNOWN	1,496	↑ +225 N/A



ENROLLMENT STATUS

Enrollment Status	Spring 2024	Change from 2023
FIRST-TIME	6,844	↑ +1,688 +33%
TRANSFER	7,861	↑ +1,366 +21%
RETURNING	12,431	↑ +6,929 +126%
CONTINUING	68,828	↑ +953 +1%
CONCURRENT HIGH SCHOOL	18,294	↑ +2,800 +18%
CONCURRENT ADULT SCHOOL	170	↑ +26 N/A

NONCREDIT HEADCOUNT & ENROLLMENT

HEADCOUNT
16,598
120%
13,855

ENROLLMENT
30,334
117%
25,882

CLASS MODALITY & FILL RATE

Class Modality	Fill Rate
Remote	49%
Hybrid	7%
In-Person	44%
FILL RATE:	76%
	65%
	65%

SOURCE: LACCD Office of Institutional Effectiveness

Spring 2024 Credit Enrollment Update:

Comparing Spring 2024 to Spring 2023 as of day 70 of the semester, districtwide, student credit headcount is up by 13% and enrollment is up by 12% while class offerings show a 2% increase and enrollment per section is up by 9%. The District is experiencing a large increases in first-time students (+1,688; +33%), returning students (+6,929; 126%), and concurrent high school students (+2,800; +18%) as well as increases for full-time students (+1,552; 9%) and part-time students enrolled in less than 6 units (+8,078; 16%). Increases are also observed for all age and gender groups and nearly all ethnic groups with large increases for female students (+4,859; +9%), male students (+7,810, +18%), students under age 20 (+3,384; +9%), students age 25-34 (+3,415; +16%), students age 35-54

(+4,793; +35%), Black students (+909; +10%), and White students (+10,227; +60%). 49% of classes are being taught remotely, 44% are in-person, and 7% are hybrid. Remote classes continue to have the highest fill rate (76%) followed by hybrid (65%) and in-person (65%) classes. Noncredit headcount is currently 16,598 students, an increase of 20% over Spring 2023.

[View the LACCD Spring 2024 Enrollment Update PDF version](#)

Campus Events & Updates



Aviation Tech in Top 4...Again

The Aviation Tech team from West Los Angeles College once again placed among the top four colleges at the annual Aerospace Maintenance Competition (AMC) presented by Snap-On and the Aerospace

Maintenance Council in Chicago. This year, 90 teams competed in the three-day competition. West placed 4th out of 40 colleges competing and 19th out of 90 teams comprised of seasoned airline professionals, package carriers and military personnel.

Team members were Shawn Amorin, Team Leader, Nate Lubben, Alex Delgado, Erick Hernandez, Javier Olivos, and Jonathan Martinez. The team's appearance at the competition was sponsored by American Airlines which also partners with the West program on training and creating a pathway to employment with the company.



Campus Pride month

WLAC.edu / Student-Services / LGBTQ

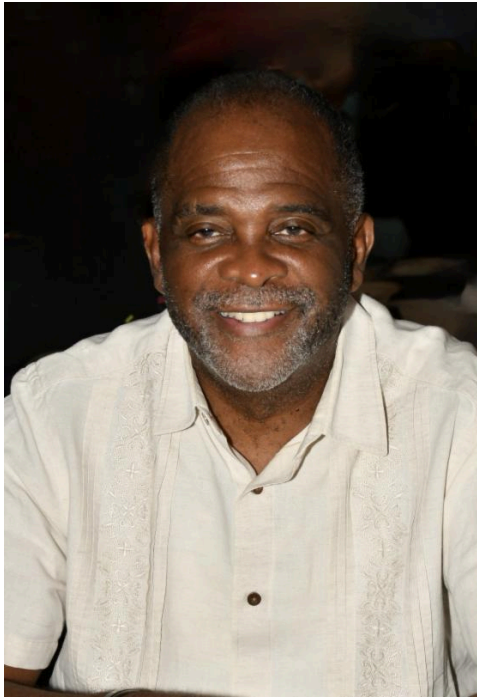
LGBTQIA+ PRIDE AT WEST

April 24 - 25	CCC LGBTQ SUMMIT 9am - 1pm Registration info at wlac.edu/student-services/lgbtq
April 26	ONLINE LGBTQIA+ ALLYSHIP 1pm - 3pm Registration info at wlac.edu/student-services/lgbtq
April 29	IN PERSON LGBTQIA+ ALLYSHIP 1pm - 3pm Registration info at wlac.edu/student-services/lgbtq
May 3	ONLINE LGBTQ SUICIDE PREVENTION 1pm - 3pm Registration info at wlac.edu/student-services/lgbtq



Campus Pride Month Kicked Off With “Queerness & Climate” Event

April is both Campus Pride and Earth Month. So, the campus ASO and Center for Climate Change Education combined efforts to kick off the month with “Queerness & Climate.” The event was designed to bring awareness to the intersection between LGBTQIA+ issues and climate change. Zaara Asnani, a Youth Climate Strike LA activist, spoke and students and staff expressed support for LGBTQIA+ people and issues, as well as taking better care of the earth, in chalk art all over Wildcat Walkway. Additional events honoring both subjects are being held throughout April.



Computer Science Professor

Congratulations to West LA College Computer Science Info. Tech. Professor Bill Williams who recently was awarded the 2024 Black Engineer of the Year (BEYA), Science Spectrum Trailblazer award. Williams was nominated by his former employer, the Aerospace Corporation for his implementation of key information technologies. In his role as Director of Information Technology (IT), he provided technical leadership and direction for enterprise monitoring services, data center operations, contract service management for technical tasks...[video profile](#)

Coming Events

- May 3: LAUSD Local District West High School Senior Signing Day
- May 7: APIDA Month: Manga Anime Art Contest
- May 23: Career 2 College (C2C) pre-graduation celebration



Breaking Ground on a New Academic Building



Los Angeles Community College District and Los Angeles Valley College officials, students and staff gathered to celebrate the groundbreaking of its new Academic Building 2 on April 22. Located on the northwestern side of the campus, it is the latest construction effort in an overall \$900 million renovation and building program.

The approximately 60,000-square-foot building will replace three aging buildings, offering cutting-edge resources and a fresh start for these departments. It will feature flexible classrooms, a manufacturing lab, and departmental offices. The new multi-disciplinary academic building is designed to ensure optimal functionality with the

latest technology to foster interactive, flexible learning environments. The first floor will feature an innovative technology lab for manufacturing students.

Read the [Daily News article](#)



Monarch Baseball are the 2024 WSC Champions!

LAVC Monarchs Baseball solidified the conference championship on Thursday with a 7-1 win over Mission, and Citrus' win over Glendale. The Monarchs won every Western State Conference series during the 2024 season; and swept five out of six series. The Monarchs only loss during the first six series came in a rain-shortened, six-inning game against Glendale College.

Monarchs Baseball will begin State Playoffs on Friday and Saturday, May 3 and 4.



LA College Promise Family Nights

During March and April, LAVC First Year Experience held several LA College Promise Family Nights to give new students and their families an opportunity to learn about the LA College Promise Program at Valley College. These events shared the benefits of the program and highlighted campus support and services, and more. It held La Promesa Family Night on March 18, a Black Heritage Family Night on March 26, an Armenian & Russian Family Night on April 18, and a general LA College Promise Family Night on March 30.



Armenian Genocide Remembrance

On Monday, April 15, the LAVC Associated Student Union held an Armenian Genocide Remembrance event to honor the memory of the victims and commemorate their enduring legacy. Featured speaker Gegham Mughnetsyan, from USC, also shed light on the historical significance and ongoing impact of the Armenian Genocide.



Arbor Day Tree Planting

The LAVC Urban Forest Committee and the ASU held a tree planting to celebrate Arbor Day. Students, faculty and staff got to help plant four trees in Monarch Square. LAVC is widely known as the first community college in the city of LA to be named a Tree Campus USA.



President's Honor Luncheon

LAVC recognized students who have been on the dean's list for three consecutive semester on the dean's list at the President's Honor Luncheon on April 26.

Coming Events

- **Festival of One Acts** - **May-2-4**: LAVC Theater Arts is presenting a 3-day festival featuring the work of student directors, actors and designers. Admission is free.
- **OBOC Student Project Showcase** - **May 8**: See creative works and writing produced by LAVC students reflecting on this year's One Book, One College (OBOC) book *The Distance Between Us*, a memoir by Reyna Grande.
- **Annual Art Student Exhibition Opening Reception** - **May 15**: Selected by department faculty, the exhibition of work by this year's LAVC art students includes ceramics, painting, printmaking, sculpture, photography, and graphic design.
- **Valley Dances 2024** - **May 16-18**: The LAVC Dance program's annual show features performances and choreography by LAVC students and faculty. Choreographic styles include modern, contemporary, jazz, tap, hip-hop, street styles, and more!
- **College Choir & Chamber Singers Concert** - **May 19**: Listen to the Chamber Singers and College Choir perform a captivating concert of classical masterpieces and contemporary gems.
- **Valley Symphony Orchestra** - On **May 22** they will perform their spring concert.
- **LAVC Farmers Market** - **Every Sunday**: The Good Times Farmers Market is held at LAVC's Lot A. Stop by to buy fresh produce, live music, food, beverages, baked goods and handcrafted items.

To see all upcoming events at Valley College, check the [LAVC Events Calendar](#).

LAVC in the News

Preparation for Careers in Public Safety - Channel 35: LA This Week – April 5, 2024

LA City Council President Paul Krekorian showed his support for a specialized college program, which prepares young people for a career in public safety. LA Valley College offers the Police Orientation and Preparation Program (POPP), which is a pathway into the Police Academy. [Watch the segment](#).

Patt Morrison: Is that graffiti or art? How L.A. draws the lines

Los Angeles Times - March 12, 2024

In a column on the murals of Los Angeles, LA Times' Patt Morrison shares her delight that the "Old Lady of the Freeway" by Kent Twitchell found a home at LA Valley College. [Read the column](#).



LATTC Collaborates with SpaceX to Connect Students to Potential Career Opportunities

On April 18, LATTC hosted a team of employment recruiters from SpaceX. SpaceX was founded in 2002 to revolutionize space technology and work to design, build, and launch advanced rockets and spacecraft. The SpaceX office in Hawthorne, CA alone employs more than 7,000 employees, making it an important and dynamic employer for the Southern California region.

The SpaceX team presented to LATTC's Advance Transportation & Manufacturing; Construction, Maintenance & Utilities; and Culinary Arts pathway students and shared information about the company and its employment opportunities in areas like welding and food services.

The event was hosted by LATTC's Employment & Career Success pathway which plans to host more targeted pathway employment fairs for third-semester, fourth-semester, and alumni students at LATTC.



LATTC Puente and STEM Club Tour Northern California College Campuses

On April 11–14, 2024, 33 Puente students and 11 STEM Club students—the trip’s largest group to date! — left the LATTC campus for its annual Northern California college trip.

This year, stops were made at UC Santa Barbara, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, and San Francisco State University. Students attended campus orientations where they learned about transfer requirements, financial aid, and housing, amongst other things. During tours of each college, students walked around campus, learned more detailed facts about their majors, and became familiar with campus life and learning resource centers.



LATTC’s Carpentry Program Attends CIEF Build Competition— and Returns with a Chicken Coop for Culinary Arts

During the weekend of April 10–12, 2024, 20 LATTC Carpentry students headed town to Golden West College in Huntington Beach to compete in the Southern California Construction Industry Education Foundation (CIEF) Design Build Competition. During the annual two-day competition, student teams worked to build a 96-square-foot structure from

carefully planned designs and construction documents which were prepared in advance. Teams were judged by industry professionals on the completion of design, construction, code compliance, and safety.



In recent years, the competition has focused on building with a purpose and has charged teams with donating their structures back to their local communities. At LATTC, with its nine career technical and transfer pathways, there's no shortage of synergistic opportunities. The college's Carpentry program decided to build a chicken coop that will be donated to LATTC's Culinary Arts pathway in hopes that the programs can raise free-range organic eggs.

Currently, the chicken coop sits outside of the campus's E2 Construction, Maintenance & Utilities (CMU) Building with great expectation. The CMU pathway plans to put some final touches on the coop, including a coat of red and white paint to give it the look of an old school barn.



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Los Angeles Southwest College Computer Science - AI Robotics Academy Showcase



The Business and Computer Science department extended an invitation to students from Ivie Burton High School to engage Los Angeles Southwest College Computer Science - AI Robotics Academy Showcase. This event exceeded its promise to be an inspiring demonstration of innovation, creativity, and remarkable achievements. Multiple cohorts are scheduled.

A total of 31 students remained dedicated to their projects, striving for a 100% success rate. Among them, 12 female students stood out, contributing significantly to the academy's success, constituting 38.70% of the group. This achievement perfectly aligns with the objectives set forth by LASC – Computer Science and the State's vision for 2030.



BuildLACCD Industry Day Event at LASC

This event was designed to provide an opportunity for local high schools and LACCD students to convene at LASC to learn about the numerous and varied career paths offered through the construction industry. In addition, LACCD students will learn about the College Internship Program and the high school students will learn about LACCD and LASC certificate and academic programs they can either dually enroll in or pursue after high school graduation to prepare for a career in construction. Participants included approximately 100-150 students from local high schools. In addition, the event was promoted to LASC students.



LASC supports Unity Resource Summit Event

On Saturday, April 27, 2024, Westmont West Athens Community Action for Peace hosted the Unity Resource Summit event to celebrate an extraordinary community turnaround. Entitled “This is Our Story,” the event featured presentations from community members and student leaders, a networking resource fair, a health and wellness session, and more.



**Chicana/o Studies at
Los Angeles Pierce College**
presents
**Inaugural
Indigenous Mexico Conference**

**Exploring
the Roots
of Ancient and
Contemporary
Mexico**

**May 4, 2024
9am to 2pm**

For more information & registration: <https://bit.ly/11IMC2024>

Performance by... **Indigenous Cats**

Keynote Speaker
Kevin Terraciano
Professor of History at UCLA

Performance by... **Sisters of the One Drum**

Sponsored by Seamless Transfer for Ethnic Studies Fund & Student Equity and Achievement Fund
If you need accommodations due to a disability to participate in this event, please contact chicad@laccd.edu at least 5 days in advance.

Inaugural Indigenous Mexico Conference at Pierce College

Pierce College Chicana/o Studies program will host the college’s Inaugural Indigenous Mexico Conference on Saturday, May 4, 2024 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. The Conference will bring together students and academic scholars to explore historical and contemporary topics in Indigenous Mexican Studies.

Attendees will enjoy performances by Danza Azteca Xochipilli, Indigenous Cats and Sisters of the One Drum. Dr. Kevin Terraciano will deliver the keynote address and discuss *The Digital Florentine Codex: A searchable encyclopedia of Aztec knowledge and Nahuatl language*. To RSVP and for more information, see the flyer attached.



Los Angeles Pierce College Theatre Concludes its 2023-2024 Season with Shakespeare in Love

Shakespeare in Love will close out the 2023-2024 season at L.A. Pierce College Theatre with performances May 3-May 12, 2024 in LAPC's Performing Arts Mainstage.

Shakespeare in Love will open in the LAPC Performing Arts Mainstage on the Pierce College campus on Friday, May 3 and continue through Sunday, May 12. Performance times are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for students and seniors and \$20 for general admission. Free parking

is conveniently located in parking lot #6 on the Pierce College campus adjacent to the Performing Arts Center. To purchase tickets go to: lapctheatre.org.



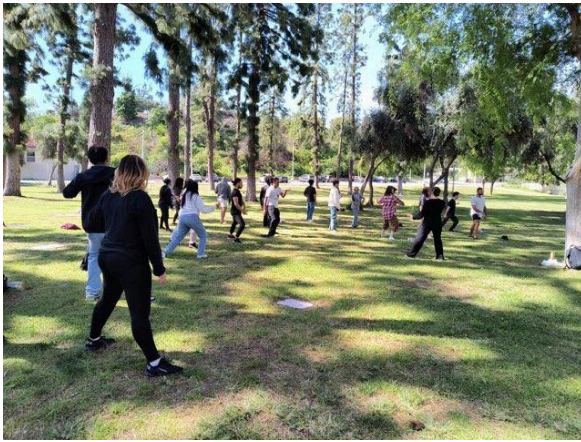
Pierce Students Receive Scholarships from Academic Honor Society Alpha Gamma Sigma

Congratulations to Pierce students Jacob Amanyana, Dia James, Shandani Jackson, Precious Ugbala, and Abhulimen Imafidon for being honored with scholarships from Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS), the academic honor society and service organization of the California Community Colleges.

AGS annually recognizes outstanding students who demonstrate academic excellence and a commitment to community service. This year, 35 student members received scholarships, collectively totaling \$40,000. Pierce College advisors of the Pi Chapter--Carman Wimsatt, Lisa Valdez, and Kaycea Campbell--continue to show unwavering commitment and contributions to the success of our student leaders of the Pi Chapter.

Pierce College Multicultural Day Brought Students Together in the Spirit of Inclusion and Diversity

L.A. Pierce College Diversity Committee hosted the fourth annual Multicultural Day on April 17, 2024, in collaboration with the Multicultural Center, the Associated Student Organization (ASO), and the French Film Festival. The event showcased the social-cultural diversity of the Pierce community in order to foster a more inclusive and equitable campus climate.



Photographer and influencer David Suh was the keynote presenter and aligned the work of creatives to identity and value. Several faculty presentations also focused on civil rights, forensics, and self-care.



Food & Wine Festival Raises over \$100,000 towards Student Scholarships

Over 500 college and community members attended the San Fernando Valley Food & Wine Festival on Saturday, April 27th, for an afternoon of wine tasting, music, dancing, and food inspired by Mexico City.

The sold-out event raised a record-breaking \$105,000, which will be directed towards supporting the Los Angeles Mission College Foundation. These funds will be used to provide scholarships, offering crucial financial assistance to local students in need.



LAMC Theatre Department Presents: Little Shop of Horrors

The Los Angeles Mission College (LAMC) Theatre Arts Department will present the Broadway and Hollywood classic musical, Little Shop of Horrors.

Directed by Associate Professor Robert Cucuzza, with vocal direction by Brett Ryback, the musical features a cast of twelve students, featuring Kevin Boecher as Seymour, Keira Weiss as Audrey, John Barron as Mushnik, Caasi Romo as Audrey 2, and Diego Godinez as Orin, the sadistic dentist.

We would like to thank our presenting sponsor, Element, our wine sponsor Vinos Unidos, and everyone who attended.

Little Shop of Horrors will be showcased at the LAMC Arts, Media & Performance (AMP) Theater, offering a limited run from May 9th to May 19th, with ticket prices will ranging from \$10 to \$25. For more information, including where to purchase tickets, please visit lamission.edu/littleshop.



Six Women's Tennis Players Qualify for State Championship Tournament

The Los Angeles Mission College Women's Tennis Team had a strong showing at the recent Western States Conference Championship Tournament. After a tremendous two days of tennis, six Eagles won the right to move forward and play in the 3C2A State Tournament in Ojai.

Mia Shields, Josilyn Rivera, and Veronika Verdyan will represent the college in the Singles Tournament, while Shields & Rivera, Verdyan & Ximena Ruiz, and Citalin Sanchez & Madelyn Barajas will play in the Doubles Tournament. Go Eagles!

Early Enrollment Days

Los Angeles Mission College hosted Priority Registration Enrollment Days on April 17th and 18th, to assist students who qualify for Early Enrollment. One-on-one support with Financial Aid, Counseling, and Admissions & Records was available and our Specially Funded Programs in Student Services were open to assist their students. The college will offer enrollment services again on Wednesday, May 8th to support Open Enrollment.

Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship

The Los Angeles Mission College STEM Department has recently learned that they have been selected to participate in the Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program (DDETFP) and will receive \$50,000 to support up to 10 students.

These stipends will assist students as they conduct research in transportation-related fields under the guidance of a faculty member. Selected students will have the opportunity to present their findings at the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Conference next January in Washington, DC.



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**LAHC: ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN STUDENT SUCCESS
ASIAN PASIFIKA DESI AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH MAY 2024**

FILM SCREENING: A THOUSAND CUTS
5/7 Tuesday, 2:00 - 4:00 PM | GC 104

A Thousand Cuts is a 2020 Philippine-American documentary film about Maria Ressa, the founder of the online news site Rappler. Directed by Ramona Diaz, it explores the conflicts between the press and the Filipino government under President Rodrigo Duterte

**APASS EVERYDAY PEOPLE'S HISTORY MUSEUM:
CELEBRATING AND RECOGNIZING OUR STORIES**
5/13 Monday, 12:00 - 1:30 PM | TBD

A continuation project. Previously APASS worked with gathering stories of that illustrate the life story of LAHC Asian, Pasifika, or Desi Americans on campus. Together with ASO, these stories will be shared in a larger space and participants will have the opportunity to engage in researching their own stories.

HARBOR COLLEGE POETRY NIGHTS | KARO SKA
Karo Ska is a South Asian and Eastern European gender-fluid writer living on unceded Tongva land. Their writing focuses on identity, mental health, survivorship, and the intersections of trauma and politics. They are a teaching artist for Community Literature Initiative's Poetry Publishing class, author of *loving my salt-drenched bones* (World Stage Press, 2022) and are currently working on a memoir. They believe that writing is a craft and a restorative tool for well-being and will focus on utilizing poetry to rejuvenate ourselves.

APASS YEAR END REFLECTION
5/21 Tuesday, 2:00 - 4:00 PM | GC 104

Join APASS as we recap highlights of the 2023-2024 school year, recognize our graduates, and spend time connecting with each other before summer begins. Food provided!

GET CONNECTED



- Find us at General Classroom 104
- Sign up for APASS
- Counseling appointment
- E-mail: apass@lahc.edu
- www.lahc.edu/apass
- IG: @apasslahc



CULINARY CUP

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4th Annual LACCD Culinary Cup – May 10 at Los Angeles Harbor College

Excitement is brewing in the kitchens as student chefs diligently prepare, refine, and test their culinary creations for the upcoming Culinary Cup. Guided by their instructors and coaches, these aspiring chefs are poised to showcase their skills in the Savory, Baking, and Table Scaping Team categories, aiming to clinch victory in the Culinary Cup competition. **Don't delay, purchase your tickets today!** Proceeds from ticket sales will contribute to the event's success and help provide scholarships for future culinary arts students.

LAHC: Asian Pacific American Student Success

Asian Pasifika Desi American Heritage Month
May 2024

[Visit us online](#)

Business, Economics, Hospitality Transfer Career Academic Pathways (TCAP)



On April 17th, Harbor College Business and Counseling Faculty, in conjunction with the Career Center, organized a dynamic Business, Economics, and Hospitality Career Panel Discussion featuring industry experts.

The panel featured Alejandra Viana, a Business Consultant from the V-Collection, Cheryl Simbulan Beach, Associate Principal Counsel representing The Walt Disney Company, and Tray Thompson, Regional Vice President of Trustage. Leading the discussion was Kymeshia Taylor, Harbor College's very own Business Faculty Member.

The session inspired students, leaving them motivated, uplifted, and determined to chase their dreams and aspirations.



Blue Economy and Climate Action Pathways (BECAP) Kickoff & Conference 2024.

The Harbor College Team made a notable appearance at the Blue Economy and Climate Action Pathways (BECAP) kickoff and conference, held at AltaSea at the Port of Los Angeles on Friday, April 19, 2024. Faculty members Tissa Munasinghe, Christopher Han, Dr. Joachin Arias, and Dr. Israel Santana were accompanied by Vice President Dr. Alexandra Duran, along with Deans Sandra Sanchez and Priscilla Lopez.

During the event, Dr. Luis Dorado and Dr. James Limbaugh contributed to a panel discussion moderated by Matt Horton, Director of State Policy and Strategic Initiatives at Accelerator for America and Senior Advisor at the Milken Institute. The BECAP kick-off marked the beginning of various discussions and strategy sessions surrounding the Blue Economy with one to be held at **Harbor College on Friday, May 17, 2024.** This upcoming discussion will explore renewable and clean energy solutions, as well as the future workforce requirements in this burgeoning sector. All are invited.



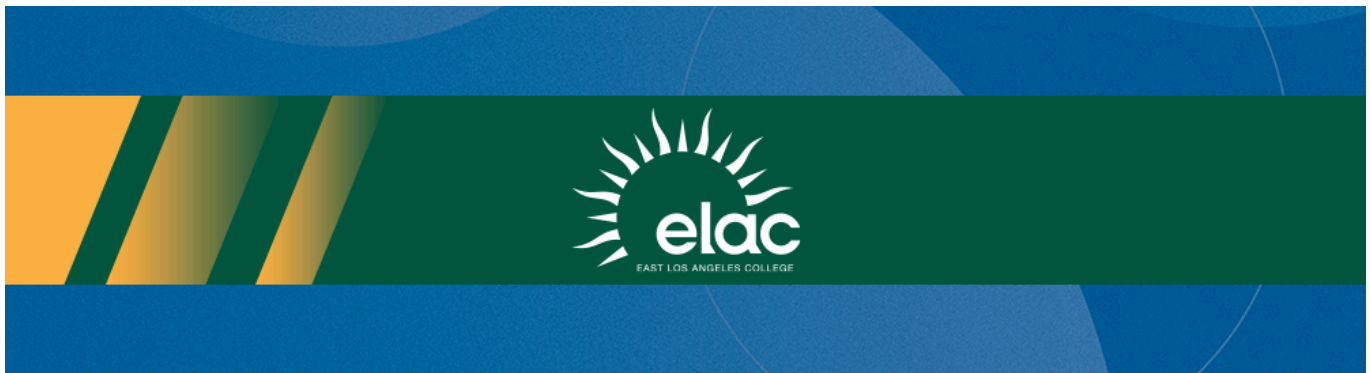
The National Student Leadership Diversity Convention (NSLDC)

LAHC ASO Board attended the National Student Leadership Diversity Convention - Congratulations to our ASO Board for attending the National Student Leadership Diversity Convention (NSLDC). Chris Paulino (ASO President-Biology major); Juan Camacho (ASO senator-pre-Health/ pre-med major); Anthony Morales (ASO senator-Psychology major) - Way to go representing Harbor College.

Coming Events



- The LGBTQ Center Long Beach at LAHC - May 13, 2024 [Pride Center Website](#) [Pride Center Instagram](#)
- [Renewable & Clean Air Energy Kickoff](#) May 17, 2024 11AM - 2PM



ELAC Host Empowering Events for Sexual Assault Awareness Month

In April, ELAC (East Los Angeles College) dedicated its efforts to observing Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) with a series of empowering events led by the Sexual Assault Awareness Violence Education Team (SAAVE). The month-long initiative aimed at raising awareness, providing resources, and educating the community on preventing and responding to sexual violence.

The events included:

- On April 16, a vital HIV Prevention Workshop was held in Room F5 - 211, equipping attendees with effective strategies for protecting themselves and their community.
- A Sexuality Talk took place on April 17 in Room G7 - 107, fostering open and informative discussions on diverse perspectives in a safe environment.
- April 18 saw Denim Day History & Art Activities in Room F5 - 209, where participants engaged in meaningful art activities and showed support against sexual violence by wearing denim.
- On April 23, the community participated in the Take Back the Night Community Speak-Out and March across various locations, joining an international movement against sexual violence and sharing empowering activities throughout the day.
- A Human Trafficking Presentation was held on April 29 in Room F5 - 201, educating attendees about the realities of human trafficking and how to combat exploitation.
- April 30 featured two events: "Survivors and The Legal System: How To Get Help!" in Room E9 - 114, providing insights into navigating the legal system as survivors of sexual assault, and

"Recognizing and Responding: Presentation for Faculty & Staff," an online event on Zoom educating staff on recognizing signs of sexual violence and responding effectively.

All SAAM events were free and open to students, faculty, staff, and the public. Attendees were encouraged to invite family and friends to stand together against sexual violence. For more information, individuals were directed to contact Andrea Owens (owensas@elac.edu) or Eileen Ie (ieef@elac.edu), and connect with ELAC SAAVE Team on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

By uniting as a community, ELAC aimed to prevent and intervene in violence, creating a campus where everyone feels safe and supported.



ELAC AAPI Heritage Month Events

Empowered Voices: A Panel Event with AAPI Women Leaders

- Date: May 7, 2024
- Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Location: Building F7, Room 215

Join us for an inspiring morning as we celebrate AAPI Heritage Month with "Empowered Voices." This panel event brings together accomplished AAPI women leaders from various fields to share their stories, experiences, and insights. Discover the journeys, challenges, and triumphs of these remarkable professionals. Don't miss this opportunity to be inspired and empowered by their voices.

AAPI Film Screening and Q&A: Not Your Model Minority

- Date: May 21, 2024
- Time: 12:10 pm
- Online: laccd.zoom.us/j/88995886134

Join us for a thought-provoking film screening and Q&A session as we delve into the complexities of the AAPI experience with "Not Your Model Minority." This documentary explores the myth of the model minority and its intersections with past and present anti-Asian violence. Gain insight into how this myth impacts communities of color and discover opportunities to combat systemic racism in America. Don't miss this eye-opening event.

Accessibility Information:

For disability accommodation requests for these events, please email presidentsoffice@elac.edu or call (323) 265-8663.

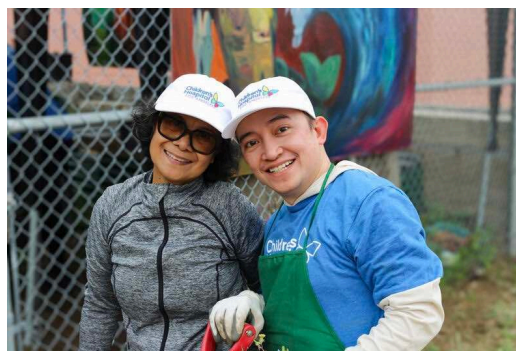
Let's come together to celebrate AAPI heritage and foster understanding and solidarity within our community. All are welcome to attend these events.



CTE Spotlight Awards

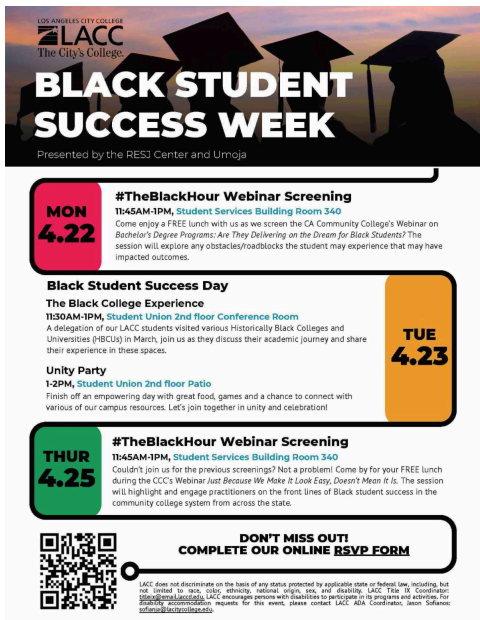
On April 17, LACC participated in the CTE Spotlight Awards at Sofi Stadium Corona Beach House.

The awards celebrated excellence and innovation in Career and Technical Education at LACC and recognized outstanding achievements and contributions in the field of Career and Technical Education.



Earth Day Celebrations

On April 23, LACC teamed with Children's Hospital Los Angeles for an Earth Day celebration in the City's Garden on the LACC campus.



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BLACK STUDENT SUCCESS WEEK

Presented by the RESJ Center and Umoja

MON 4.22

#TheBlackHour Webinar Screening
11:45AM-1PM, Student Services Building Room 340
Come enjoy a FREE Lunch with us as we screen the CA Community College's Webinar on Bachelor's Degree Programs: Are They Delivering on the Dream for Black Students? The session will explore any obstacles/roadblocks the student may experience that may have impacted outcomes.

Black Student Success Day
The Black College Experience
11:30AM-1PM, Student Union 2nd floor Conference Room
A delegation of our LACC students visited various Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in March, join us as they discuss their academic journey and share their experience in these spaces.


Unity Party
1-2PM, Student Union 2nd floor Patio
Finish off an empowering day with great food, games and a chance to connect with various of our campus resources. Let's join together in unity and celebration!

TUE 4.23

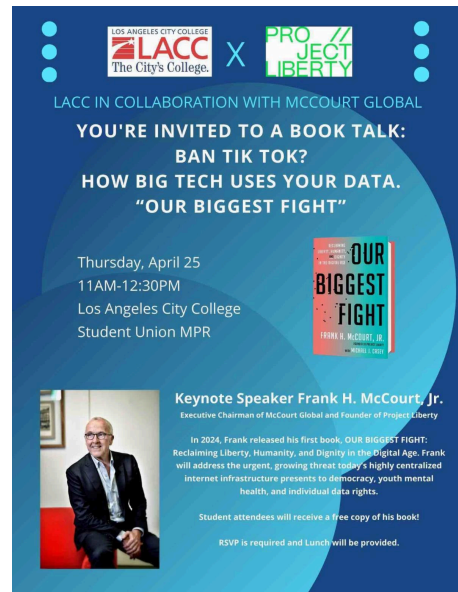
THUR 4.25

#TheBlackHour Webinar Screening
11:45AM-1PM, Student Services Building Room 340
Couldn't join us for the previous screenings? Not a problem! Come by for your FREE lunch during the CCC's Webinar *Just Because We Make It Look Easy, Doesn't Mean It Is*. The session will highlight and engage practitioners on the front lines of Black student success in the community college system from across the state.

DON'T MISS OUT! COMPLETE OUR ONLINE RSVP FORM



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**YOU'RE INVITED TO A BOOK TALK:
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HOW BIG TECH USES YOUR DATA.
"OUR BIGGEST FIGHT"**

Thursday, April 25
11AM-12:30PM
Los Angeles City College
Student Union MPR




Keynote Speaker Frank H. McCourt, Jr.
Executive Chairman of McCourt Global and Founder of Project Liberty

In 2024, Frank released his first book, *OUR BIGGEST FIGHT: Reclaiming Liberty, Humanity, and Dignity in the Digital Age*. Frank will address the urgent, growing threat today's highly centralized internet infrastructure presents to democracy, youth mental health, and individual data rights.

Student attendees will receive a free copy of his book!

RSVP is required and Lunch will be provided.



Black Student Success Week

On April 22, 23 and 25, LACC's RESJ Center and Umoja hosted webinar screenings, discussions and a party to celebrate Black Student Success Week.

Frank McCourt Book Signing

On April 25, LACC hosted "Our Biggest Fear: Reclaiming Liberty, Humanity, and Dignity in the Digital Age," a book signing and discussion with Frank McCourt. The book addresses the urgent, growing threat today's highly centralized internet infrastructure presents to democracy, youth mental health, and individual data rights.

Herb Alpert Music Center Faculty Concert

On April 25, LACC presented an evening concert presented by the faculty and staff of the Herb Alpert Music Center.

LACC & LAUSD World Music & Arts Festival

On April 27, LACC & LAUSD hosted LAUSD Arts Fest, a celebration of creativity filled with student performances.

Coming Events

- **Armenian Cultural Day**
On May 2, LACC will host a celebration for Armenian Cultural Day including speakers Gayane Aghabalyan and Elmira Ayvazyan.
- **Dean's Honor Tea**
On May 13, 2024, LACC will hold its Dean's Honor Tea celebrating and recognizing students who have earned outstanding scholastic achievement.

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Dual admission programs a tool for addressing state's transfer challenges, panel says

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California Assemblymember Miguel Santiago's Free Community College Bachelor Degree Bill Passes Higher Education Committee

Sierra Sun Times

The Cal Grant expansion for California college students is in jeopardy as the state deficit grows

CalMatters

These California colleges are a path to UCLA, Berkeley. Here's which have highest acceptance rates

SF Chronicle

Community Colleges Increase Housing Options

Diverse Education

Assemblyman Vince Fong's legislation increases education opportunities for students

The Daily Independent

Artificial intelligence, real career training

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From Homeless to Housed in Los Angeles | Inside California Education

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For College Students Living Paycheck To Paycheck, Financial Literacy Is An Investment In The Future

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LAUSD plans spring Arts Fest at L.A. City College

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Emmy Award-Winning "60 Minutes" Producer Ira Rosen visits LA City College

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LAUSD Arts Festival

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For Art History Students Vying For A Career, This Program Offers A Foot In The Museum Door

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