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## President's Corner: Welcome to the Beginning of a New Academic Year!

Let's (re)Imagine CoA. College of Alameda will celebrate 50 years of serving students in Fall 2020. This significant anniversary gives all of us at the College an important opportunity to pause and plan the next fifty years. I invite you to participate in our (re)Imagining CoA efforts. Our College is well poised to evaluate and pivot processes, procedures, structures, and systems to improve our students' experience as they navigate towards their goals. We shall design and implement guided pathways with great care and intention to close the achievement gaps without compromising rigor. We seek to empower a wider range of diverse students to succeed in higher education and career opportunities. We

will concentrate professionally on equity, inclusion, and service to our students.

Every part of the College is part of the redesign. The need for this effort is critical. There are many changes facing our community and we are part of the solution. The Island is undergoing exciting changes and is a hub of growth. Our allies, be it the City of Alameda, Alameda Unified School District, or private industries, want us to partner with them in new ways. Towards this goal, I will be hosting focus group meetings related to emergent interdisciplinary/agency hubs in the beverages and hospitality, Maritime & Blue/Green Technology, and Advanced Manufacturing/Making sectors.

## Building Updates

The new Center for Liberal Arts (Building H) is humming along. Over the summer fireproofing the structure, attaching the entrance canopies, welding stairwells, and concrete foundation pour have been completed. The current work is focused on metal framing of inside rooms and completing the construction of the metal skeleton for the exterior walls. Follow the process at <https://alameda.peralta.edu/office-of-the-president/liberal-arts-building/>

CoA received State facilities matching funds in the 2019/20 budget to replace the B/E Buildings with a new Transportation Building. The first step in Fall 2019 will be to create the RFP to solicit architects, which will be followed by a selection process.

The RFP for architectural design services for the grant-funded project at the Aviation Campus was released. This is part of the \$3 million grant that CoA was awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce. The grant focuses on renovating and modernizing Hanger B. A second phase of construction will follow to replace Hanger B. A couple of smaller projects around campus also were completed. The side exit pathways from the F Building was replaced, the E Building (Diesel) had its concrete equipment pad extended, and also the following projects were completed:



## Gym Improvements

CoA was able to resurface and restripe the gym over the summer by leveraging our facility rental income.

The floor with our updated mascot looks terrific! There have been several other improvements to the look of the gym.

There are new athletic banners and a blue stripe along the wall. Thanks to the athletic, custodial, and facilities/engineering team for making this happen.

## New Coffee Bar and Lactation Pod in the Student Center

The F Building (Student Center) has some new features beginning this year. Associate Students of CoA have inaugurated a coffee stand on the second floor of the F Building. Also, a lactation pod has been placed on the second floor too (photo to the right).

## Help Us Name the TLC

The Teaching and Learning Center (TLC), located in A228, provides training, development and resources for College of Alameda employees. The College is committed to providing relevant, high-quality development opportunities that will



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enhance your work environment, advance student success, and promote instructional design best practices.

The equipment available in the TLC includes:

- Apple & PC computer
- Scanner and printer
- SMART Board
- Recording studio
- Conference Table
- Lounge Area

Please take a quick survey to help choose the TLC's new name. Please use this link to the survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XG6DXF3>



*CoA representatives and our Cougar Mascot at the Alameda Fourth of July Parade*

## **Community Engagement**

Many of our CoA colleagues were busy during the summer promoting at community functions and events. A small sample of the events include: The Downtown Alameda Art & Wine festival and the Alameda Mini-Maker Faire.

CoA representatives also did us proud at the Alameda Fourth of July Parade. Thank you to the student-athletes, staff, faculty, coaches, and administrators that planned our efforts and marched in the parade!

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*Girls Inc. Summer Eureka Program at CoA*

Our tradition of partnering with Girls Inc. for their summer Eureka program continued. A special thanks for instructors **Reiman, Smithson, Self, and Thompson** for leading workshops and activities. CoA was recognized at the Eurekaathon celebration in July.

CoA was honored with a “SMART” partner ward by Girls Inc. at their annual award ceremony in July. I had the pleasure of accepting the award on behalf of the college.



*Alameda Mini-Maker Faire at Alameda Point, August 11, 2019*

On Sunday, August 11, I had the pleasure of attending the Alameda Mini-Maker Faire at Alameda Point. CoA was well represented by **Nicole Kelly** at the CoA table and the FabLab crew at the adjacent table. Thanks for taking time on a Sunday to represent the College and share your passion for the art of making. **Selwyn** and the custodial staff made a huge contribution to the faire’s success by bringing tables and chairs from the College to be used for the booths at the faire. I arrived early and 2,000 people were already at the faire.

The Alameda Mini Maker Faire was born out of a desire to celebrate and support Alameda’s growing maker community. Maker Faire is a gathering of fascinating, curious people who enjoy learning and who love sharing what they can do. From engineers to artists to scientists to crafters, Maker Faire is a venue for these "makers" to show hobbies, experiments, and projects.

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## Grants News

The [California Virtual Campus-Online Education Initiative](#) (CVC-OEI) has awarded a \$450,000 Improving Online CTE Pathways grant to College of Alameda for the implementation of Online Career Education Opportunities (OCEO@COA).

A team of faculty, staff, and administrators worked diligently last year to submit a Federal Department of Education Title V grant for Hispanic Serving Institutions. We will find out if we were awarded the grant in September/October 2019. This grant would help strengthen CoA to serve all our students.

## Mobile Refuge Room Unveiling

On July 26, 2019, the College hosted the unveiling of the first **Mobile Refuge Room**, a collaborative design and fabrication project that provides mobile spaces of privacy and refuge for formerly-incarcerated individuals in re-entry housing.

Re-entry housing provides access to job training, trauma-informed education, mental health support, and a place to rest and call home. **Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)**, an organization that provides re-entry programs and **Designing Justice + Designing Spaces (DJDS)**, a social justice architecture and development firm, recognized the need to re-envision the living component of supportive housing to balance the high cost of construction and support the volume of men and women who are re-entering their communities from prison.

In addition to providing living quarters, the project also offers a workforce development opportunity in digital and physical fabrication of these units by formerly-incarcerated men and women. Partners for the workforce development aspect of the project include **Elevator Works** and formerly-incarcerated students from **Laney College's Restoring our Communities Program**, who have built this prototype in **Laney** and **College of Alameda FabLab** facilities.

## Professional Learning Opportunity

Equity, Inclusion, and Service to Students: Whether you look at the racial, ethnic, cultural or economic background, disability, age and gender identity (i.e., transgender or gender non-conforming) or introverted and extroverted personality types, everyone needs something different to feel that they belong and are valued.

College of Alameda is sponsoring the opportunity for faculty, staff, and administrators to participate in two Equity Academies. We will be sending team(s) of 20 to the academy. If you are interested, please contact my office ([twashington@peralta.edu](mailto:twashington@peralta.edu)) by September 4, 2019.

Teams will be comprised of representatives from student services and instruction; varied academic departments; full-time and part-time faculty; and a mix of staff, faculty, and administrators.

November 13-15, 2019

### *The Anatomy of a Transformative Course: Critical Competencies for Student Success*

The Anatomy of a Transformative Course is an immersive professional development experience that engages educators in the process of examining current syllabi, interrogating the course outline, exploring pedagogical practices and rethinking grading

February 19-21, 2020

### ***Counseling in the Era of Equity: Critical Competencies for Student Success***

Counseling in the Era of Equity has been designed to engage counselors in the process of examining our current practices and exploring innovative pedagogical approaches that may be applied to the needs and goals of colleges as they make the transitions to Meta Majors and Guided Pathways.

Sincerely,



Timothy Karas, Ed.D.  
President



*Students being assisted with accessing Canvas, Peralta Student Email account, Peralta Passport, OpenCCC, and FAFSA*

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## **CoA Counselors Serve Over 400 Students During the First Week**

During the first week of classes the Counseling Department served 454 students! On the first day of classes, August 19, 2019, 124 students were served. These students were seen during drop in appointments and were provided a range of services, including developing Abbreviated Student Education Plans for the fall semester, Pre-requisite clearances, and approval of Excess Units. The Welcome Center served as the one stop for receiving assistance with accessing Peralta Student email accounts, Peralta Passport, and online classes through Canvas. This is an extremely busy time where new and returning students require assistance from our Welcome Center Student Ambassadors with enrollment steps like application, orientation, and Math and English placement/ ESOL assessment. In addition, the Welcome Center provided students assistance with adding and dropping classes, printing student class schedules, and issuing Student ID pictures.

*Submitted by Tina Vasconcellos, Ph.D., Vice President of Student Services*

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## New NextUp Program Videos Are Available Online

I wanted to share with all of you, videos of some of our students that are involved in the NextUp program. Promotional videos were shot to give students a chance to tell a little bit of their stories so that we can continue to grow the program statewide. We were able to get students from all four campuses to participate in this portion of the series. Our NextUp program is a component of EOPS that supports current and former foster youth in their educational journey while attending community college. *(Each video is only 3 minutes long).*

You can see these exciting new videos by clicking:

<https://vimeo.com/343120497>

<https://vimeo.com/343551147>

*Submitted by Lydell K. Willis M.S./, Project Manager EOPS/CARE/NextUp/CalWORKs, [lydellwillis@peralta.edu](mailto:lydellwillis@peralta.edu)*



*APIA Heritage month planning committee hosted a film screening last spring of *Breathin': The Eddy Zheng Story* featuring a live presentation by Eddy Zheng*

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## APIA Spring Screening of *Breathin': The Eddy Zheng Story*

Last spring, the APIA Heritage month planning committee hosted a film screening of *Breathin': The Eddy Zheng Story*. After a few years, we were finally able to schedule a visit with Eddy. **Eddy Zheng** attended our event sharing some of his current work with formerly incarcerated individuals to help them transition to life out of prison with a full audience of students, faculty, and staff. The film tells the story of an immigrant living in Oakland who was sentenced to life and transformed himself during his time in prison. Following his parole release, he was detained and fought against deportation.

A big thank you to **Phillip Bui, Jayne Smithson**, and other faculty who invited their classes to the screening. Also, the committee wants to express gratitude for funding through Student Equity.

*Submitted by Vanson Nguyen, Ed.D., Professor, Co-Chair Mathematics, [vansonnguyen@peralta.edu](mailto:vansonnguyen@peralta.edu)*

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## What is AB705?

*“AB 705 requires community college districts to maximize the probability that a student will enter and complete transfer-level coursework in math and English within a one-year timeframe by utilizing assessment measures that include high school performance to achieve this goal.”*

In accordance with the CCC Chancellor's Office directive in a July 2018 letter, beginning in fall 2019 students coming to COA for the first time with a goal to transfer, earn a degree or a certificate come under the scope of AB705 (although based on the new funding formula, pretty much all of our students will be affected). High School GPA, among other factors, determines placement of students into Math and English courses.

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) departments have a bit longer to make their placement and course determinations.

### What is the COA English Department's Response?

Incoming students with a High School GPA of 2.6 and above are eligible to go into English 1A: Composition and Reading, our traditional transfer-level Freshman English course. The effect of AB705 here is mainly placing more students directly into English 1A.

Students who have a High School GPA below 2.6 are recommended to ENGL 1AS: Composition and Reading with Support. This new, 5-unit transfer course provides reading, writing, and study skills contextualized with college-level assignments. Additional support comes from built-in time for Counseling, Financial Aid, Health Services, and other campus areas to offer workshops during class time.

Students requiring more intensive reading and writing assistance than are afforded by the ENGL 1AS course will be directed to our new short-term noncredit courses in general writing skills, grammar, mechanics, and academic reading. Students completing any three of these courses will be eligible for the Pathway to Academic English Certificate of Competency. Faculty in any discipline who find their students would benefit from the help are encouraged to direct students to these courses offered in the Learning Resource Center (LRC).

### What does AB705 Mean for Faculty in Other Disciplines?

That's a great (and important) question. One thing it will certainly mean is that more students will have completed college-level English prior to attempting other courses with heavy academic reading and writing components. We may find that students are more prepared for rigorous reading, writing, and discussion.

Another possibility is that without time in remedial and developmental courses, students may need more coaching in discipline-specific reading, writing, and study skills. With this scenario in



*Illustration by Jay Rubin, COA English Instructor*



mind, several English department faculty are formally studying strategies in integrated reading and writing (IRW) that include assisting discipline faculty in scaffolding students. Look for IRW Communities of Practice to begin in fall 2019.

Along with the Pathway to Academic English certificate already mentioned, we used part of our Basic Skills Student Outcomes Transformation (BSSOT) Grant to develop additional noncredit courses in English and Math for CTE, study skills, and technology support which, along with library skills, lead to the Pathway to Success Certificate of Competency. Again, all faculty are encouraged to direct students to these courses that will be offered in the LRC.

### **Are Basic Skills and Developmental Courses Going Away?**

The immediate answer is no. According to the State Chancellor's July 2018 letter, among other intentions, AB705 will ensure that “students are not placed into remedial courses that may delay or deter their educational progress unless evidence suggests they are highly unlikely to succeed in the college-level course.

For now, we will continue to offer limited sections of both ENGL 269: Foundations in Reading and Writing and ENGL 201: Preparation for Composition and Reading for students who counselors feel will benefit from them.

The long-term answer is maybe - we just don't know.

*Submitted by Trish Nelson, English Instructor, Co-Chair: Communication, English, Humanities, and Philosophy, Curriculum Committee Tech Review, LRC Faculty Coordinator*

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## **Upcoming: College of Alameda Transfer Day**

Date(s) Tuesday, September 24, 2019

Time(s) 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Location: Outside Welcome Center - Bldg. A

Contact name and phone number: Vivian Virkkila, 510-748-2113

Transfer Day is an opportunity for prospective transfer students to meet and gather information from CSU, UC, private, and out-of-state colleges and universities.



*Photo of Transfer Day 2018*

**This event is open to students, faculty, staff, and the public.**

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## Mobile CoA Summary

The Spring Semester is the busiest recruitment season for the Outreach Department. During this semester, we head into local high schools and community-based organizations to aid students in completing all the necessary steps to ensure a successful enrollment. Mobile CoA breaks down barriers by allowing students to complete the necessary enrollment steps in the comfort of their own communities. It also ensures that students have a better opportunity to place in higher level Math and English courses by assessing via High School Multiple Measures (HMMP).

*Mobile CoA students pose with Outreach Specialist, Natalie Rodriguez, excited to start their first week at CoA!*

In three visits, the Outreach Team ensures that students have successfully completed the application and orientation; serve as assistants to the counselors who assess students via HMMP, and develop abbreviated Student Education Plans with them; assist students with enrolling in their classes for summer or fall, and orienting them in regards to support programs and services.

This year, Mobile CoA Services were provided at:

- Alameda High School - AUSD
- Alternatives in Action High School – AUSD Charter School located in Oakland
- Aspire Lionel Wilson College Preparatory Academy – OUSD Charter School
- Encinal High School - AUSD
- Fremont High School - OUSD
- LPS Oakland R&D Campus – OUSD Charter School
- Madison Park Academy - OUSD
- Oakland High School - OUSD
- Oakland International High School - OUSD
- Skyline High School - OUSD

The Outreach and Counseling Departments served more than 200 students at these high schools combined, with an estimated 60% of those students successfully enrolling across the Peralta Community College District.

Mobile CoA would not be possible without the support of the following individuals and departments: President **Tim Karas**, Vice President of Student Services, **Tina Vasconcellos**, Dean **Amy Lee**, **Dean Bruce**, **Dean Armstead**, Counseling Co-Chairs **Edwin Towle** and **Vivian Virkkila**, and the entire counseling department, **Lydell Willis** and the entire EOPS/CARE/NextUp/CalWORKs team, the UMOJA team, and especially the Outreach Department student workers who go well above and beyond their call of duty to ensure that students feel welcome and comfortable.

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A special thank you to counselors **Fathia Mohamed, Justin Lee, and Jerel McGiffert** for stepping in when additional counseling support was much needed. Team work makes the dream work!



*The CoA Cougar poses at the Downtown Alameda's 35th Annual Art & Wine Faire in July.*

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## 2019 Outreach Summer Recap

During the summer, the Outreach Team went out into the community to distribute marketing materials and promote the start of the Fall semester. The team distributed bilingual trifolds, class schedules, postcards, support service brochures, and Natalie's business card throughout Alameda and Oakland at the following locations:

### **ALAMEDA**

#### **Libraries:**

West End Branch – Santa Clara Ave.  
Alameda Reads – Central Ave.  
Main Library – Oak Street  
Bay Farm Island Branch – Mecartney Rd.

#### **Webster Street:**

Star Corner  
Wally's Corner  
Aria Market & Bakery  
Beauty Cut Hair Salon  
Alameda Pizza  
Modern Hair Studio  
Wescafe  
Pacific Pinball  
Feathered Outlaw  
Xtreme Pizza  
Rodeway Inn.  
Dave's  
Good year  
Santo's Liquors  
California Taqueria  
Happy Lashes  
The Studio

Otaez

Better Buy Liquors

#### **Park Street:**

KD Nails and Hair  
My Angel Nails  
Sergio Silva  
Alameda Eyes  
Diva Beauty Nails  
Tomo & Co  
TK Barbershop & Spa  
Dr. Daniel Chin Optometrist  
Tomo's Organic Nails  
The Churchward Pub

#### **Other Alameda Areas:**

Housing Authority of the City of Alameda –  
Esperanza Plaza

### **OAKLAND**

#### **Libraries:**

Oakland Public Library  
Oakland Public Library - Asian Branch  
Oakland Public Library – Cesar Chavez  
Branch

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**China Town:**

Express liquor  
Foot reflexology  
Joena’s salon  
Hua Hua salon  
East Bay Vision Center  
Dr. Elsa Pao, OD (eye care)  
Lou’s Acupuncture Health Center  
Metro PCS  
Site for Sore Eyes  
Casey Family Programs  
Lucky’s Barber Shop  
Quality Auto Service & Body

**Fruitvale District:**

The Unity Council  
Fruitvale-San Antonio Senior Center  
La Clinica – Clinica Alta Vista (Teen Clinic)  
La Clinica – Casa CHE (Community Health Education)  
Latitude High School  
Lao Family Community Development – CARE Community Center

**Other Oakland Areas:**

Youth Uprising  
Civicorps Academy  
Vietnamese American Community Center of the East Bay

Anyone who is interested in sharing materials with their community is welcome to stop by the Outreach Office, located at L235 (behind the elevator) to pick up a marketing materials packet.



*GradGuru raffle winner claims his CoA Swag pack during Welcome Week.*

**Outreach Summer Tabling**

Despite being short staffed over the summer, summer gave us the opportunity to table at multiple great events. From May through August, Outreach tabled eight (8) different events between Oakland, Alameda, and San Francisco. These events ranged from educational and community events, to citywide festivals. Some of these events, such as the Island Jam and the Annual Art & Wine Faire spanned across an entire weekend.

During Welcome Week we saw more than 150 students at our Outreach and GradGuru tables. We provided general information for students, snacks, and encouraged them to download the GradGuru app for a chance to win a CoA swag pack through a raffle. Two happy winners claimed their prizes on Thursday morning.

Special thanks to student volunteers **Karina Montes** and **Francisco Valdespino**, as well as Network Services Specialist, **Michael Duensing** for volunteering their time to make summer tabling a success!



*Volunteers Michael Duensing and Karina Montes assist faire goers at Downton Alameda's 35th Annual Art & Wine Faire in July.*

## Volunteers Welcome

Please contact Outreach and Retention Specialist, **Natalie Rodriguez** ([nrodriguez@peralta.edu](mailto:nrodriguez@peralta.edu)) if you are interested in participating in any of the upcoming Outreach Events. Volunteers are always welcome and appreciated!

### Past Events:

- May 1, Tabling at UC Berkeley for College Signing Day
- May 2, Tabling at Mexican Consulate for the Bi-National Education Fair
- May 8, Campus Tour at Lighthouse Community Charter School
- May 29, Application and Orientation Assistance at Fremont High School
- May 31, DSPS Campus Tour
- June 4, Application and Orientation Assistance at Fremont High School
- June 5, Counseling Assistance for Fremont High School students

May 15, DSPS Campus Tour for Castro Valley Unified School District

June 15, Tabling at Island Jam

June 16, Tabling at Island Jam

July 10, Tabling at OUSD's Summer Demonstration of Mastery

July 11, Tabling at The Unity Council's Summer Career and Resource Fair

July 27, Tabling at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Alameda Art & Wine Faire

July 28, Tabling at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Alameda Art & Wine Faire

August 2, Tabling at the Lao Family Youth Conference

August 6, Tabling for the Housing Authority of the City of Alameda

August 12, Presentation at Civicorps Academy

August 19 – August 22 Tabling at Welcome Week

### Upcoming Events:

September 8, Tabling at Oakland Pride

September 18, Tabling at the Oakland A's College Fair

September 24, Citywide College Night

September 26, Tabling at the OUSD College Night

October 5, Tabling at the Oakland Black Cowboy Parade & Festival

October 7, Tabling at the San Leandro Unified College Night

October 10, Presentation at Oakland High School

October 12, Tabling at the Downtown Alameda Classic Car Show

*Article submitted by Outreach Specialist Natalie Rodriguez. Photos by Natalie Rodriguez.*



Student art selected by President Karas for display. The artists names and title of the works are: "untitled" color pencil of bird by Susana Veiga Neuhaus-Denchasy, "untitled" pen and ink perspective drawing by Braiden Szabo, "Parts" acrylic on canvas by Daniela Dula Mejia

## Student Activities and Campus Life Fall 2019 News

### Private Lactation Suite Available On-Campus

Did you know in 2018 California passed a law that requires Community Colleges to provide a private lactation room for breastfeeding students? And that College of Alameda is the first and only campus in the Peralta Community College District to install a Mamava lactation suite. The private lactation suite is located on the 2nd floor of the Student Center. Students can access the lactation suite using a code, available from Student Activities and Campus Life office in F-217.



### New On-Campus Coffee Bar Opens this Fall

Over the last year and half the ASCOA and Director of Student Activities, Aja Butler have worked to open a new coffee bar on the second floor of the Student Center.

Coffee Bar 140 is a student enterprise funded by the ASCOA. Proudly serving Mr. Espresso, organic and fair-trade coffees. Morning pastries from City Baking Co. And grab 'n' go sandwiches, salads and snacks from Fresh and Ready foods. The custom designed bar was made by Capsule, MFG in Costa Mesa, CA.

The coffee bar is staffed by student workers that have completed over 20 hours of barista training, learning to prepare high quality espresso drinks.

Revenue from coffee bar sales will be used to fund clubs, campus life programs and student leadership opportunities.



## ASCOA Senators Attend National Leadership Institute

In July, four senators from the ASCOA attended the ACUI I-LEAD Institute at the University of Vermont, in Burlington, Vermont. During the week-long institute students studied leadership theories, engaged in small group discussions, completed a community service project and reflected on their personal leadership style and philosophy. The College of Alameda was the only California community college to send representatives to the leadership institute.

*CoA students attend ACUI I-LEAD Institute at the University of Vermont, in Burlington, Vermont. Students names left to right: Eleasha Dela Cruz, Pauline Roxas, Sabrina Igot, and Ysrael Quezon*

## CoA Welcome Week

Student Activities and Campus Life in collaboration with ASCOA hosted multiple events during the first week of classes to welcome new and returning students to campus.

For the first day of school students were treated to a Free Continental Breakfast in the quad. On Tuesday August, 20<sup>th</sup> students participated in the Student Center Open House. Attendees received important information about services and programs available in the Center and enjoyed music from DJ Quam. They also received a digital caricature drawing of themselves, by Sketch Playground, and visited our new Coffee Bar 140 featuring \$1.40 drink specials.

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*Digital caricature by Sketch Playground,*



Wednesday August, 21, 2019, ASCOA Senators **Ysrael Quezon** and **Karina Montes de Oca** coordinated a New Student Luncheon and Panel Discussion in the F-building, Pit. More than 30 students attended the event and found the information shared useful.



*Students enjoy Welcome Bash activities including ping-pong tables, basketball shoot-out, and corn hole toss*

Thursday August 22, 2019, the last event of the week the Welcome Bash! was held in the Quad. Over 125 students, staff and faculty all came out to enjoy free burgers. Live music from steel drum Band, Shabang! Interactive games—ping-pong tables, basketball shoot-out, and corn hole toss. And free henna tattoos, provided by Bay Area Face Painters.

*Submitted by Aja Butler, Director of Student Activities and Campus Life, [abutler@peralta.edu](mailto:abutler@peralta.edu)*

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## Sign Up Now for a Professional Development Opportunity Focusing on Anti-racist and Anti-sexist Pedagogies

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CoA will cover the cost of participation, mileage, (and lodging if desired), and substitutes if needed for Thursday or Friday classes. This fall's academy *The Anatomy of a Transformative Course: Critical Competencies for Student Success* will be held at the San Mateo Marriott, San Francisco Airport, 1770 S. Amphlett Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94402. To sign up, please contact Teddy Washington in the president's office [twashington@peralta.edu](mailto:twashington@peralta.edu) by September 5.

For more information about the academies:  
<https://equityinstitute.com/equityacademy/theanatomyoftransformativecourse.php>

*Submitted by Don Miller, Ph.D., Vice President of Instruction*

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## The Library Has Calculators Available for Checkout

Thanks to a donation from the Math Department, the Library now has calculators available for checkout. The calculators are kept at the Reserve Desk and may be checked out for three days. Please let your students know about this wonderful new service!

*Submitted by Jane McKenna, Head Librarian, Access Services Librarian and LIS85 Instructor, [jmckenna@peralta.edu](mailto:jmckenna@peralta.edu)*



*Illustration by Jay Rubin, COA English Instructor*

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Nicole Kelly, CoA Adult Transitions Project Manager at KBLX

## CoA Adult Education Office | 102.9 KBLX Voiceover

The California Adult Education Program, formerly known as the Adult Education Block Grant (AEBG), has thriving consortiums across the State of California. Our consortium, Northern Alameda Adult Education Collective is comprised of Peralta Colleges, our local adult schools (Alameda, Oakland, Piedmont, and Berkeley) and Community Based Organizations (CBOs). Earlier this year, I was asked by the consortium to speak to an urban adult contemporary radio station on behalf of one of our community partners, Alameda Adult School. We want the community to know about our dynamic partnership, commitment, and the plethora of educational opportunities they have locally.

Submitted by Nicole Kelly, Project Manager, Adult Transitions Liaison, [nkelly@peralta.edu](mailto:nkelly@peralta.edu),



*Students being assisted with accessing Canvas, Peralta Student Email account, Peralta Passport, OpenCCC, FAFSA*



*Students in line to see a counselor on drop ins.; over 400 students served in the first week of the semester.*

## Welcome Center Buzzing with Activity During Welcome Week

Our Welcome week was busy this year and many students were assisted with accessing Canvas, Peralta Student Email account, Peralta Passport, OpenCCC, FAFSA. Cougar Scholars Orientations were held on August 16 and 23rd. We also had former students serve on a panel and share their experiences to our new students.



## 2019 COUGAR WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Match Time
<b>NON-CONFERENCE</b>				
Fri-Sat	Aug. 23-24	Cuesta College Tournament (Scrimmages)	San Luis Obispo, CA	All Day
Thur	Aug. 29	<b>College of Siskiyous</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	5:00pm
Sat	Aug. 31	<b>Columbia College @ Cougar Classic</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	All Day
Sat	Aug. 31	<b>Porterville College @ Cougar Classic</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	All Day
Fri	Sept. 6	Lemoore College @ San Jose CC Tournament	San Jose, CA	3:00pm
Fri	Sept. 6	Skyline College @ San Jose CC Tournament	San Jose, CA	5:00pm
Wed	Sept. 11	Cosumnes River College (CRC Quad)	Sacramento, CA	2:00pm
Wed	Sept. 11	Modesto Jr. College (CRC Quad)	Sacramento	4:00pm
Fri	Sept. 13	Skyline College	San Bruno, CA	6:30pm
<b>BAY VALLEY CONFERENCE</b>				
Wed	Sept. 18	Mendocino College	Ukiah, CA	6:00pm
Fri	Sept. 20	<b>Napa Valley College</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	6:00pm
Wed	Sept. 25	Yuba College	Marysville, CA	6:00pm
Fri	Sept. 27	Solano College	Fairfield, CA	6:00pm
Wed	Oct. 2	Los Positas College	Livermore, CA	6:00pm
Fri	Oct. 4	Monterey-Peninsula College	Monterey, CA	5:30pm
Wed	Oct. 9	<b>Los Medanos College (Dig Pink Night)</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	6:00pm
Fri	Oct. 11	<b>College of Marin</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	6:00pm
Wed	Oct. 16	Contra Costa College	San Pablo, CA	6:00pm
Fri	Oct. 18	<b>Mendocino College (Mascot Night)</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
Wed	Oct. 23	Napa Valley College	Napa, CA	6:00pm
Fri	Oct. 25	<b>Yuba College</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
Wed	Oct. 30	<b>Solano College</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
Wed	Nov. 6	City College of San Francisco	San Francisco, CA	5:00pm
Fri	Nov. 8	Los Medanos College	Pittsburg, CA	6:00pm
Wed	Nov. 13	College of Marin	Kentfield, CA	6:00pm
Fri	Nov. 15	<b>Contra Costa College (Sophomores Night)</b>	<b>Alameda, CA</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>

**WOMEN'S HEAD COACH:** Linda Thompson  
**ASSISTANT COACH:** Taylor Elliott



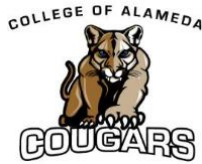
**Athletic Director:** Linda Thompson



**President:** Dr. Timothy Karas  
**Dean of Enrollment Services:** Dr. Amy H. Lee

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## DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS 2019 SPRING SEMESTER

**ALAMEDA, CA (June 6, 2019)** – College of Alameda student-athletes earned **scholar-athlete academic honors** during the 2019 spring semester, *as confirmed by the Admissions & Records*, compiled a cumulative grade point average of **3.0 & higher** are:

### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

**Jaylan Campbell - Fr. (4.00)**

**Hosanna Ambegia -Vinoya - Fr. (4.00)**

**Emilie Davis - So. (3.33)**

*(Accepted and transferring to Cal Poly SLO,  
Fall 2019 – Major: Child Psychology)*

**Chiara Stiger - Fr. (3.85)**

**Nia Sanchez - Fr. (3.17)**

**Kaleena Ugaitafa - So. (3.56)**

*(2019 COA graduate, A.A.T. Psychology –  
Volleyball scholarship to University of Saint Joseph, CT  
Fall 2019, Major: Psychology)*

**Nicole Harrison - Fr. (3.67)**

**Camille Selna - Fr. (3.79)**

**Deysi Arechiga - So. (4.00)**

*(Full-time student at both COA and St. Mary's College –  
Spring 2019 earned a bachelor's degree in Sociology)*

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

**Jaimen Williams – Fr. (3.08)**

**Alexander Tanis – Fr. (3.58)**

*Submitted by Linda Thompson, Athletic Director (June 6, 2019)*



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Is there an upcoming event that we should all know about?  
Do you know an outstanding student whose story you would like to share?  
Did you attend an interesting workshop or conference?  
Do you have unique projects planned for your students this semester?  
Have you or a colleague been honored with an award, or do have you published an article, book, or chapter recently?

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