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Interim President Dr. Don Miller

President's Corner: More Is in Store for Fall

Fall semester continues with an impressive array of activities irrespective of the many challenges we continue to face, including those related to the recent fires and pandemic related issues. Thank you for persevering.

In this issue of *Splash*, we acknowledge the good work of LRC staff, celebrate the College's 1619 initiative, highlight free student medical and mental health services, and more.

Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER)

The ISER at CoA is undergoing a major draft revision this month and Accreditation Liaison Officer and VPSS **Tina Vasconcellos** plans to share the report with the classified and academic senates the first week of October. Retired Business Director **MaryBeth Benvenuto** (who has served as the CBO on multiple ACCJC teams) is assisting the college in reviewing all financial aspects of the ISER. Once all feedback is received and major revisions are completed, we will move to formatting the draft. College Council will review the draft in a special early October meeting. All campus constituents will be informed that the ISER will continue to be edited as it goes to the second October board meeting and afterwards to include further updates and final approval by the Board of Trustees in December 2020.

Please join me for my next virtual listening session:

If you attended the Zoom meeting that I hosted on September 10, 2020, you know that PCCD College Presidents have been collaborating regularly to prepare the November response letter to ACCJC's Probation sanction, including feedback from campus teams. Thanks to all of you who contributed to that conversation.

I'll be hosting another in a series of Zoom luncheon meetings about important topics facing our campus, and my staff have suggested titling the series "**CoA Dialogs with Don**". Kudos to **Teodora Washington** for coming up with the catchy name. At the next meeting, which will take place on **Thursday, September 24, 2020, from noon to 1 p.m.**, we will review the California State Chancellor's Office Call to Action to "actively strategize and take action against structural racism" on our campuses. Zoom information will be sent soon through Campus Announcements. I hope that you will join me and I look forward to "seeing" you then.

Best wishes,
Don

Don Miller, Ph.D.
Interim President, College of Alameda

Kudos: LRC Staff and Tutors Are Amazing!

We want to highlight and recognize the work of the Learning Resource Center (LRC) at College of Alameda. Ms. **Anna O'Neal**, LRC Coordinator and the **Learning Resource Center Tutors** have been amazing and have been assisting students virtually since March 2020. They quickly embraced training on Zoom and Canvas to provide virtual tutoring services to students during Spring, Summer and currently during this Fall Semester.

The training in Canvas and Zoom enabled the LRC tutors to be embedded tutors in online classes. In addition, student tutors were instrumental to ensure that the Fall Flex Day was well organized and as a faculty stated in a follow up survey to go "without a single glitch". A successful Fall Flex Day would not have been possible without the assistance of Anna O'Neal, LRC Coordinator, and Student Tutors. We would like to especially recognize here the work of these student tutors: **Kai, Rusty, Trang, Thai, Aiziz, Eleasha** and **Karina**. Their training and contribution made it for an effective all Virtual Fall Flex Day.

LRC's commitment to learning and their innovative approach is inspiring. Currently, student tutors under the leadership of Ms. Anna O'Neal are providing tutoring and workshops in Canvas and Zoom in different languages to mitigate any barriers to learning and to assist students to effectively navigate the new virtual classroom.

This is an exemplary illustration of a tutoring center that is proactive, innovative, student and learning focused and in constant search of most effective methods to assist students in their pursuit of academic success.

Special thanks to the LRC Coordinator Ms. O'Neal and all LRC Tutors.

Submitted by: Dr. Diana Bajrami & Maurice Jones, co-chairs Professional Development Committee

The 1619 Project

The 1619 Project Implementation Work Group Will Host a Virtual Series

I am excited to follow up with you on behalf of the COA Chapter of the Peralta Association for African American Affairs, to invite you to join the 1619 Project Implementation Work Group. This working group will meet regularly to develop, implement and evaluate the integration of the 1619 Project on the College of Alameda Campus. In the Fall 2020 semester, the Work Group will organize a series of Brown Bag Virtual Conversations about the 1619 Project and implementation in departments, classes and our community. If you are interested in joining the Working Group, please let me know.

CoA Community -- Please hold the following dates on your calendar for our 1619 Brown Bag Virtual Conversations @ noon

October 6, 2020

November 19 , 2020

October 20, 2020

December 3, 2020

November 5, 2020

If you are planning to integrate 1619 into your courses and department/division conversations, here are links to some useful resources:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGp8evzWA48>

<https://pulitzercenter.org/lesson-plan-grouping/1619-project-curriculum>

<https://neaedjustice.org/the-1619-project-resource-page/>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/01/23/podcasts/1619-podcast.html>



[Listen to '1619,' a Podcast From The New York Times](#)

An audio series on how slavery has transformed America, connecting past and present through the oldest form of storytelling.

www.nytimes.com



[The 1619 Project Resource page - NEA EdJustice](#)

The comprehensive 1619 Project informs and challenges us to reframe U.S. history and better understand the hold of institutional racism on our communities. NEA recently worked with the New York Times to distribute copies of the 1619 Project to educators and activists around the country to help give us a deeper understanding of systemic racism ... Continued neaedjustice.org



[The 1619 Project Curriculum | Pulitzer Center](#)

The 1619 Project, inaugurated with a special issue of The New York Times Magazine, challenges us to reframe U.S. history by marking the year when the first enslaved Africans arrived on Virginia soil as our nation's foundational date. Here you will find reading guides, activities, and other resources to bring The 1619 Project into your classroom. pulitzercenter.org

Submitted by Dr. Carolyn Johnson, Business Instructor, cjohnson@peralta.edu

Becoming a More Effective Online Educator Training Course Starts Monday, October 12, 2020

College of Alameda will be offering an additional *Becoming a More Effective Online Educator at College of Alameda* training course starting on Monday, October 12, 2020 and ending Saturday, November 7, 2020, with an additional work to complete the work (November 14).

The successful completion of this training course meets both the requirements of Administrative Procedure 4105 (training with LMS and pedagogy of online teaching) .

Please click in this [Enrollment Form](#) to reserve your enrollment in this course. Deadline to submit this form is September 30, 2020.

We will enroll the first 20 faculty to allow in-depth collaboration and feedback. A waiting list will be created in the event that all 20 spots are exhausted, so please, submit the form. Priority will be given to faculty who are currently teaching this Fall Semester and College of Alameda faculty.

We are looking forward to working together and creating a community of more effective online educators at College of Alameda.

You will receive an e-mail from us on October 2, 2020, to confirm your enrollment and receive additional information about next steps. Email us if you have any questions.

Submitted by Training Co-facilitators Dr. Diana Bajrami & Jennifer Fowler, dbajrami@peralta.edu and jfowler@peralta.edu



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Counselor/Transfer Center
 (510) 748-2113
 vvirkkila@peralta.edu

Connect with 4-Year College Representatives

UC Santa Cruz, Ambrosia Shapiro – Advising available over the phone or Zoom. Book an appointment [here](#).

UC Berkeley, Leilt Habte – Advising available on select dates. Sign up for an appointment [here](#).

CSU East Bay, Mark Strong – Advising available on select dates. Sign up for an appointment [here](#).

San Francisco State University, Colette Cowan – Advising available on select dates. Sign up for an appointment [here](#).

Save the Date – Virtual Transfer Day College Fair, October 5, 2020 | 10am – 1pm

Meet with **CSU, UC, Private and Out of State representatives** and learn about transfer requirements, special programs, financial aid, housing and more. [Register here!](#)

Upcoming Virtual Events

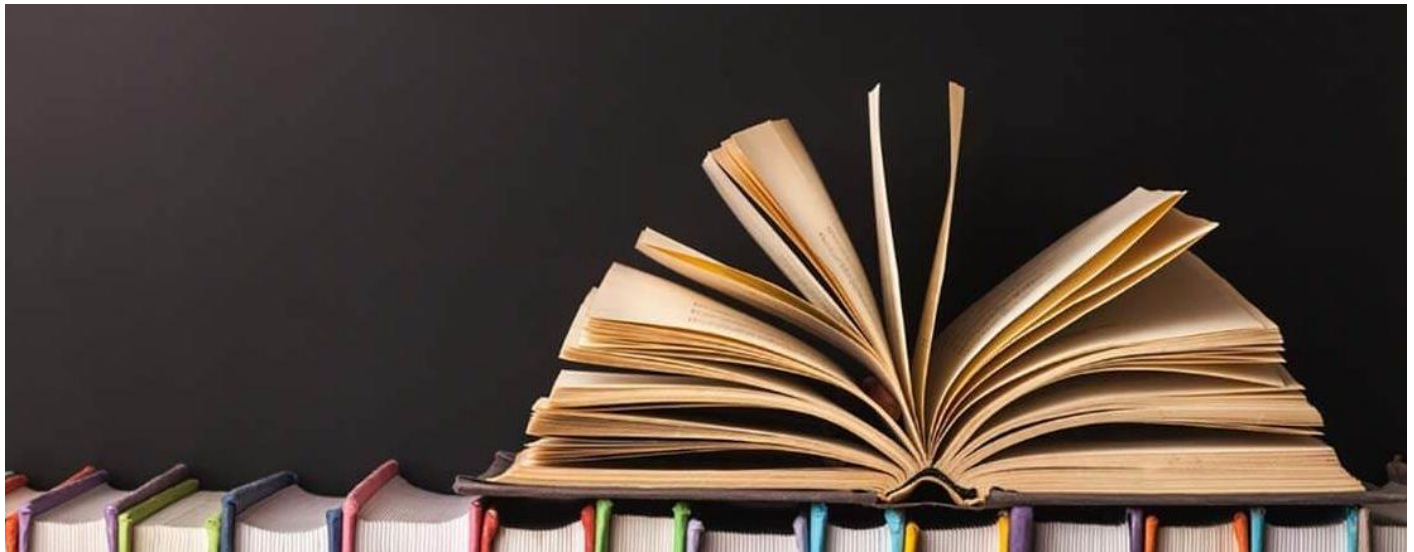
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Transfer Center Announcements: Please Share with Your Students

- Hear from Admissions Representatives and learn about the requirements and resources available to transfer students during our upcoming virtual events and workshops. Register [here](#).
- Our annual Transfer Fair will be held virtually on Monday, October 5th, from 10am- 1pm. Students will have the opportunity to chat with University Representatives, get answers to their questions, and explore which campus is right for them! Sign up [here](#).
- The campus may be closed, but we are still here to help students transfer to a 4-year institution. There is no question too big or too small for our team. Let us help simplify the transfer process through individualized advising sessions. Students can schedule an appointment [here](#).
- TAG is due this month! If students are interested in having their applications reviewed before submitting, they can make an appointment [here](#).

Submitted by College of Alameda's Transfer Center, coatransfer@peralta.edu

The mission of the College of Alameda is to serve the educational needs of its community by providing comprehensive and flexible programs and resources to empower students to achieve their goals.



Chromebooks, Circulating Books, and Calculators Are Available for Checkout Through the New COA Library Curbside Pick-up Service

The COA Library is physically closed until spring, however the following online Library services and curbside pick-up returns are available during the semester:

Curbside Pickup - During the campus closure, Chromebooks, calculators, and books from the circulating collection are available through the COA Library Curbside Pickup>Returns service (limited hours and by appointment only) Textbooks are not available through curbside.

Embed a Librarian in your Canvas Course and/or Request a Library Zoom Instruction Session - Faculty, consider requesting a librarian to provide online instruction for your class. The librarian can be embedded in your Canvas shell, provide a Zoom Library orientation and/or develop a discussion board covering information competency skills needed for your course. You may also just request a Zoom Library Instruction session (embedding is not required). Submit your Library instruction requests using the Library Instruction Request Form found on the Library Resources for Faculty webpage.

Free 24/7 ebooks and articles accessible through the Library databases

Online Reference via chat/email with a librarian.

Online Library Courses - the Library offers several credit bearing courses that teach information competency skills.

Return books in the book drop located on the exterior of the Library building to the left of the front doors. Any fines for overdue COA Library books will be waived on return. Chromebooks should not be returned in the book drop and instead must be returned by making a Curbside Pickup/Return appointment.

To contact the Library during the closure:

- For Reference help, use the online chat/email.
- For Circulation/Renewals help, email or call (510) 748-2120
- For Reserves/Textbooks, email or call (510) 748-2122

Submitted by Jane McKenna, Head Librarian, Access Services Librarian and LIS85 Instructor, jmckenna@peralta.edu

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Virtual Mental Health Support for Students Is Available

Please let your students know that virtual mental health support is available. See the website for more details on how students can schedule appointments: [Mental Health Services](#)

We have an incredible new group of mental health counselors that are available and eager to provide support for CoA students. Please see their pictures and bio's below:



Tiffany Tung (she/her) comes to College of Alameda with over 10 years of educational experience serving diverse communities. She is an Oakland native and received her BA in Human Development from California State University, East Bay and is presently pursuing a MA in Counseling specializing in Marriage Family Therapy at St. Mary's College of California. Her areas of interest include: multicultural counseling, individual and group counseling, outreach & advocacy for underserved populations, justice and work to support equitable and inclusive systems, low-income first generations college students, intergenerational trauma, African American and Chinese American mental health and racial identity development, alcohol and drug use, intimate relationships, sex trauma and discrimination.

Erica Hill (she/her) is a San Francisco native and a first-generation college student who is passionate about working with other first-generation community college students. She hopes to work towards improving access to, as well as reducing the stigma around, effective mental health services for underserved communities. Erica received an Associate's degree from City College of San Francisco before transferring to San Francisco State University where she received a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and a Minor in Counseling. She is currently working toward her Master's degree in Marriage, Family and Child Counseling at San Francisco State University. She is excited to be at College of Alameda and work closely with students to provide therapy in a community college setting.

Kyle Lee (he/his) is a proud Bay Area native of both Chinese and Japanese descent. Kyle has worked as a counselor, tutor, and educator. He believes that all people deserve a safe, relational space to thrive. He does his part to try to make that belief a reality. When there's not a pandemic, he enjoys staying active, playing basketball and volleyball. Currently, he's doing quarantine HIIT and Zumba workouts. At any time though, he enjoys dancing to 80's music. He is also an avid writer and less avid reader.

Amy Tamayo (she/her) originally from the Bay Area, grew up in Oakland. She attended community college before transferring to UC Berkeley, where she earned her Bachelor's degree in Social Welfare. She is currently working on her Graduate degree in Counseling, with specializations in Marriage and Family Therapy and Professional Clinical Counseling, and Higher Education & Student Affairs from Saint Mary's College of California. She loves ramen and enjoys art and visiting museums, baking, reading, and spending time with her friends and family.

Submitted by Lisa Sawadogo, LPCC, NCC, Health Services Coordinator, lisasawadogo@peralta.edu

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Free In-person or Virtual Medical Services Are Available

Free Medical & Nursing Services at Roots Clinic

Services are available for all Peralta students off-campus:

- Medical care
- First-aid
- Pregnancy testing
- **Flu Shots**
- TB testing
- **COVID-19 testing**
- Health education
- Family planning
- Birth control
- Sexually transmitted infections
- Community referrals

Students can choose to have an appointment by phone, virtually, or in-person.

Roots Community Health Center
7272 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland, CA 94605

Hours: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Friday

Please call first #510-533-1248 for more information and make sure to provide your student ID.

Free Remote Mental Health Counseling

To schedule an appointment, **call, email or fill out the appointment request form at [Health Services Website](#)**

Lisa Sawadogo, LPCC, NCC (510) 748-2320

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Get support

- Adjusting to college
- Relationship difficulties
- Coping with crisis
- Problems at school or work
- Social isolation
- Difficulties sleeping
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Alcohol and/or drug use
- Family concerns
- Stress management
- Trauma concerns
- Grief

Mental Health Counselors are available:

- ▶ Monday – Thursday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- ▶ Friday: 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

The Learning Resource Center Is Offering Online Tutoring and Workshops



Accounting and Econ

Tutor	Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hailey Jiang	Business 1A (Accounting), all Math up to Math 3B, Statistics, Math 16A (Business Calc)	11 am – 5 pm	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF	11 am – 2 pm
West Lin	Accounting 1, all Math up to Math 3B (no Stat)	2 pm – 5 pm	2 pm – 5 pm	2 pm – 5 pm	2 pm – 5 pm	OFF
Kai Crosby	Econ	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	11pm - 2pm

Math

Tutor	Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jacob Ahmed	Trig, Algebra, Math 3A&3B	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF
Rusty Levis	ALL MATH (including Stats)	11 am – 4 pm	11 am – 4 pm	11 am – 4 pm	11 am – 4 pm	OFF
Mujtaba Hadi	Trig, Algebra, Math 3A&3B	1 pm – 5 pm	1 pm – 5 pm	1 pm – 5 pm	1 pm – 5 pm	OFF
Thien Huynh	ALL MATH (No Stats)	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF
Edrees Saied	ALL MATH (No Stats)	2 pm- 5pm	OFF	2 pm- 5pm	OFF	11 am – 2 pm
Ruilan Lin	Trig, Algebra, Math 3A&3B	11 pm – 3pm	11 am -1 pm	11 pm – 3pm	OFF	OFF
Vicky Li	ALL MATH (No Stats)	11 am- 5 pm	OFF	11 am- 5 pm	OFF	OFF

English

Tutor	Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Benjamin Salvador	All English, ESL	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	12 am - 5 pm	11 am – 5 pm	11 am – 2 pm
Nicole Harrison	All English, ESL	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	12 am - 4 pm	11 am – 5 pm	11 am – 2 pm
Karina Montes De Oca	All English, ESL	11 am- 5 pm	OFF	11:30am- 5 pm	OFF	11 am- 1 pm
Mabelle Douglass	All English, ESL	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	11pm - 2pm
Samjhana Rijal	All English, ESL	11 am - 3pm	11 am – 3 pm	11 am - 3pm	11 am – 4 pm	11 am – 2 pm

Science

Tutor	Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nicole Harrison	Bio 10 & 1A	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	12 am - 4 pm	11 am – 5 pm	11 am – 2 pm
Edrees Saied	Physics 4A, 4B& 4C	2 pm- 5pm	OFF	2 pm- 5pm	OFF	11 am – 2 pm
Thien Nguyen	Chemistry 1A & 1B	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF
Jacob Ahmed	Chemistry 1A & 1B	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF	11 am – 5 pm	OFF
Vicky Li	Chemistry 30A & 1A	11am- 5pm	OFF	11am- 5pm	OFF	OFF



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WORKSHOPS

Monday 7 September	12:00 PM	ENGLISH	RUSTY
Tuesday 8 September	2:00 PM	VIETNAMESE	TRANG
Wednesday 9 September	12:00 PM	ENGLISH	RUSTY
Thursday 10 September	1:00 PM	CANTONESE/ TURKISH	AIZEZI
Friday 11 September	12:00 PM	PERSIAN/ FARSI	MUITABA
Monday 14 September	12:00 PM	ENGLISH	RUSTY
Tuesday 15 September	2:00 PM	VIETNAMESE	TRANG
Wednesday 16 September	12:00 PM	ENGLISH	RUSTY
Thursday 17 September	1:00 PM	CANTONESE/ TURKISH	AIZEZI
Friday 18 September	12:00 PM	PERSIAN/ FARSI	MUITABA



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HACU Is Hosting a Free Webinar in Celebration of National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week and You're Invited!

To celebrate National Hispanic-Serving Institutions week, HACU is hosting a free webinar that will discuss the history and purpose of National HSI Week. The University of Central Florida and The University of Arizona will also discuss how they are celebrating National HSI Week during these uncertain times. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions as well.

We invite you to join!

Please note the event time (1:00PM) is in Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). The webinar will start at 10:00am our time (Pacific Time).

Register Here: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2662600856945905163>



Celebrate National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week, Sept 14-20, 2020

Register for a free HSIs Week Webinar, Tuesday, Sept. 15, 1 p.m. EDT

In celebration of National Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) week, Sept. 14-20, 2020, HACU will be posting daily HSI facts via social media. Please share these and your institutions HSIs Facts, with the hashtag #HSIWeek, to help raise awareness of the importance of HSIs.

HACU will also host a free webinar that will include a discussion of the value Hispanic-Serving Institutions provide to students and communities across the nation and the importance of HSIs Week. The webinar will also discuss ways to celebrate National HSIs Week during these uncertain times. Speakers from the University of Central Florida and the University of Arizona will share how they are commemorating National HSI Week. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions. Register here.

“While Hispanic-Serving Institutions may not be able to celebrate as usual, due to COVID-19, we encourage HSIs to use social media platforms to commemorate National HSIs Week and create awareness of the value HSIs provide to countless students and communities across the nation,” said HACU President and CEO Antonio R. Flores.

Hispanic-Serving Institutions are encouraged to observe the week with activities that heighten awareness of the important role HSIs play in improving access to education and advancing equity for historically underserved students.

Celebrate National HSIs Week and Tag @HACUNews on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram and use hashtag #HSIWeek. Or email news@hacu.net to share your stories and to let HACU know what your institution has planned.

Submitted by **Horacio Corona Lira**, Director, HIS, ACCESO/Puente Programs hcorona@peralta.edu

The mission of the College of Alameda is to serve the educational needs of its community by providing comprehensive and flexible programs and resources to empower students to achieve their goals.

Volunteers Are Needed to Distribute Free Lunches to CoA Students

Many thanks to all who have volunteered these past months to provide free lunches to our students. Volunteers are still needed to hand out Grab.n.Go lunches on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays. CoA will be offering drive by and walk up lunch distribution from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. We will offer this service through the end of October 2020. You may sign up for more than one date. We are anticipating a need for approximately six to eight volunteers per day.

On your volunteer date, please arrive at 11 a.m. and plan to stay until 1:30 p.m. or until lunches are gone (We do not anticipate this will take more than two hours). Please bring your own mask (gloves will be provided). We will contact you ahead of time with other details.

Special thanks to **The World Central Kitchen** and **Eat. Learn. Play.** for generously providing meals for our students.

If you have any questions, please email: VP Vasconcellos at tvasconcellos@peralta.edu.

Also, please use the following link to sign up using the Microsoft form:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Fmqh7q9Ie0eREwWxwBFj_z6ao_3n9zVEtja-oSuPCABUOElaRjBEVIQwQ0E3MIVWWFpIVUdUS1ZENy4u

Submitted by Dr. Tina Vasconcellos, Vice President of Student Services / Accreditation Liaison Officer



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- Upcoming deadlines that students or colleagues should know about.
- Event information.
- Other news.

Send us your news, so that we may share it with the campus and the community in the next edition of *Splash!* It's easy –just send us a short article and a good photo or two, and we will take care of the rest. Do not forget to include the name of the writer, the photographer, and anyone who is pictured (if possible).

Please email your news and information to: coasplash@peralta.edu or coa-announcement@peralta.edu and be sure to include the word “**Splash**” in the subject line.

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