

# Hello Mesa College Community!

Weekly Update from Prez Hands provides a brief overview of the exciting efforts taking place within our community. The updates are also a great way to tell our collective story of success, and to document our journey of becoming the Leading College of Equity and Excellence. Enjoy!

## OFFICE OF THE President









On Wednesday, we kicked off our year-long celebration of our 60th Anniversary. During the formal program, we heard from Chancellor Greg Smith, Board President Bernie Rhinerson, Dr. Constance Carroll, Dr. Helen Griffith, Associated Students President Ixchel Valencia Diaz, and was presented proclamations from Councilmember Jennifer Campbell and Mayoral staff member Dion Akers. Following the program, we celebrated with live music, a resource fair, food and other fun activities. Stay tuned for more activities this year!

#### Celebrate 60 Years of Equity and Excellence!

Click here for our Mesa College 60th Anniversary Website
Click here to watch our 60th Anniversary Video
Click here for more photos from the Kick-Off Celebration

#### Look back at our Spring 2024 Convocation

<u>Click here for our Spring 2024 Convocation Slides</u> Click here for photos from the Spring 2024 Convocation

OFFICE OF Instruction







On January 20, 2024, 20 students braved the rainy weather and came to campus for the **Path to STEM Success intersession event**. Students got to meet with faculty, received information about Mesa

Impactship, met with counselors, engaged with four STEM professionals, and prepared for upcoming math, chemistry, and biology classes. Path to STEM Success is a series of events, sponsored by the HSI STEM

E<sup>3</sup> grant, intended to bring resources to our STEM students, create community, and support students along their academic journeys within these disciplines.

### OFFICE OF Student Services

FREE legal immigration consultations with an attorney are available for students and employees!

Mesa College and Borderless Scholars are partnering with JFS/HELS to offer FREE legal immigration consultations! To learn more about this service, please contact the EOPS Office to schedule an appointment with a Borderless Scholars Counselor or visit our website at: <a href="https://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/eops/borderless-scholars/resources.shtml">https://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/eops/borderless-scholars/resources.shtml</a> and <a href="https://www.jfssd.org/HELS">www.jfssd.org/HELS</a>

Promise Spring 2024 Race to 12 Units is a Promise & Counseling workshop series to assist Promise students to get enrolled in at least 12 units (to remain Promise eligible) by the add/drop deadline of each term. All sessions will be held at Assessment & Testing Computer Lab I4-201.

- Monday, February 5th @ 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 7th @ 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.

Registration: <a href="https://bit.ly/spring24raceto12">https://bit.ly/spring24raceto12</a>

Promise students must be fully enrolled in 12 units by Friday, February 9, 2024.

**Fall 2024 Promise applications are now open.** The Priority deadline is April 5, 2024 and the application deadline is August 5, 2024. Applications are available at <a href="https://www.sdccd.edu/promise">www.sdccd.edu/promise</a>.

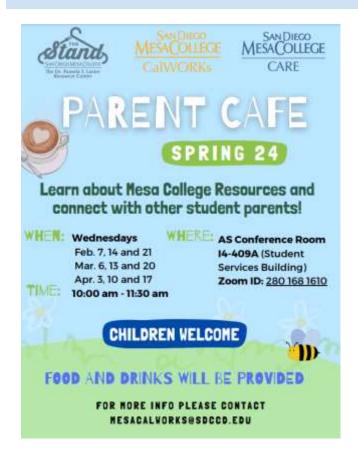
#### Scholarship Applications Are Still Available!

Please encourage your students to apply to the Mesa College Foundation Scholarships by going to <a href="mailto:sdmesa.academicworks.com">sdmesa.academicworks.com</a>. Our <a href="mailto:Scholarships webpage">Scholarships webpage</a> has all the information you might need!

Applications due by <a href="mailto:Thursday">Thursday</a>, <a href="#February 15th">February 15th</a>, at 11:59pm! You may also direct students to the <a href="mailto:Apply for">Apply for</a>

Mesa Scholarships! video, and a brief video tutorial we created on how to get started with applying. Scholarship Application workshops for Mesa College Scholarships are now available!

Workshops will be held now until February 15, both on zoom and in-person. Even better, students that attend a workshop session and submit applications for scholarship opportunities will be entered into an opportunity drawing for a chance to receive \$100! For more information, just attend one of the workshops!



CalWORKs, CARE, and The Stand will be offering weekly Parent Café on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in person in I4-409A and via zoom. Students will be able to learn about Mesa College resources and connect with other student parents.

For more information, please contact mesacalworks@sdccd.edu

Participatory Governance

To learn more about our Associated Students, Academic Senate, and Classified Senate, please visit the links below:

Associated Students

Academic Senate

Classified Senate

In The Know

For additional information on what is happening on campus and in our community - visit the links below:

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