

May 23, 2024



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*



This Friday, we will be celebrating our Class of 2024 graduates at our Commencement Ceremony in the Merrill Douglas Stadium. This is a momentous celebration of academic achievement, honoring the dedication, hard work, and triumph of our graduating class as they embark on the next chapter of their journey. **We are so proud of our Mesa graduates!**



We are proud to honor our Class of 2024 at San Diego Mesa College's Commencement Ceremony and as is our annual tradition, we will be paving the way for the next generation of Olympians with #MesaGivingDay on May 23, 2024.

For more information, please scroll down to the "Office of Resource Development" section below.

Mesa will be forming a Summer Safety Taskforce next month. If you are interested in being part of the safety website and summer work group, please fill out the interest form below:

Mesa College Safety Team Interest Form



Single-Sign On Coming July 15th! I'm sure you've seen the emails and Canvas pop up, but single sign on is coming. This means students and faculty will be logging into Canvas and mySDCCD using their SDCCD email login. If you're concerned about the process, the district's Online Learning Pathways is hosting an **Introduction to SSO** on July 10th at 2pm in the [SSO Introduction Zoom](#). The only thing you and your students need to do to be prepared is to log into your district email!

On May 16, Mesa College and National University announced a renewed educational partnership to further advance a higher educational commitment to increase educational attainment opportunities for non-traditional, working and military students. This will open doors, remove barriers, and create seamless pathways for aspiring scholars.



For more information about this partnership, please visit this [Mesa Newsroom article](#).



Starting the week of June 3rd, Mesa College will begin the 4/10 work schedule for the summer, with the last Friday off being August 9.

4-10 WORK WEEK

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	10	10	10	10	9	8
7	10	10	10	10	12	13
14	10	10	10	10	18	20
21	10	10	10	10	24	27
28	10	10	10			



A HUGE congratulations for an AMAZING and SUCCESSFUL Golden Scissors Fashion Show!

The students' work was **stunning**, the show was **flawless**, the layout was **great**, the food was **creative** and **delicious**, and everything really came together for an incredible and memorable event. I know it took many hands and hundreds of hours to make this happen, and I thank and congratulate everyone. Our students deserve the best, and they definitely experience it in the Fashion Program.

OFFICE OF *Student Services*

Success Sighting: Jocelyn Simonton is a Mesa College Biology 2nd year student. Jocelyn has been selected for the mentored undergraduate program with the San Diego State University Coastal and Marine Summer Research program. This program is sponsored by both the Mesa College Foundation and the California Sea Guard to provide community college students from marginalized groups an opportunity to engage in marine research.

SDSU

Coastal & Marine Institute



We are thrilled to introduce the new Wellness Vending Machine at Mesa College, funded by a grant from the California Community College Chancellor's Office following the implementation of AB2482. This innovative vending machine, part of a pilot program, offers convenient and affordable health items for students and staff. Stocked with essentials such as Tylenol, Advil, pregnancy tests, condoms, lubricant, menstrual cups, tampons, pads, and generic Plan B, it ensures easy access to vital health products. Excitingly, in the near future, tampons and pads will be dispensed free of charge. This initiative underscores our commitment to supporting the well-being of our campus community.

OFFICE OF *Administrative Services*

The San Diego Community College District presents

Microsoft Teams Training




Session Title	Description	Round 1	Round 2
Microsoft Teams 101 Why & How?	Microsoft Teams can be the hub for all communication and collaboration. Create a team to bring people and content to the same location. Use channels, conversations, and tabs for seamless collaboration. Join us as we take a closer look at channels, tabs, conversations, and file sharing for collaboration in Microsoft Teams. Participants will leave the session with a basic understanding of a team set-up, management, and best practices for use.	Wednesday, May 8, 2024 11:50 AM - 12:30 PM Registration Link College FLEX # 21695 CE FLEX # 31553	Tuesday, June 4, 2024 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21694 CE FLEX #31554
Collaboration with Microsoft Teams	Discover the best ways to stay organized by keeping notes, documents, and digital conversations in Teams. Easily find, share, and edit files in real-time using familiar apps like Word, PowerPoint and Excel in One Drive Microsoft Teams.	Wednesday, May 15, 2024 11:50 AM - 12:30 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21695 CE FLEX #31556	Thursday, June 6, 2024 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21697 CE FLEX # 31557
Scheduling & Learning Engaging Meetings	Teams Meetings can be scheduled in several ways. Learn where and how to schedule the correct type of meeting and manage meeting permissions. Discover how Microsoft Teams provides the ability to meet synchronously for real-time engagement and feedback. Interact through multiple formats, including: Together Mode, Spotlight, and Polls to increase engagement.	Tuesday, May 21, 2024 11:50 AM - 12:30 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21698 CE FLEX #31558	Tuesday, June 11, 2024 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21699 CE FLEX #31559
Teams Voice for the End User	Are you ready to take your communication and collaboration in Teams to the next level? Join in for a training session on Teams Voice, designed for end-users who want to learn how to make and receive phone calls using Microsoft Teams. Discover how to set up calling preferences, place and receive calls using the Teams app, basic calling operations, access the call history and voicemail and many other useful tips and tricks!	Thursday, May 23, 2024 11:50 AM - 12:30 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21700 CE FLEX #31560	Thursday, June 13, 2024 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Registration Link College FLEX #21701 CE FLEX #31561

Join us for our May and June Microsoft Teams training sessions! For more information, click the button below:

Microsoft Teams Training - May and June 2024

OFFICE OF *Resource Development*



Dear Mesa Community,

We were proud to honor our Class of 2024 at San Diego Mesa College's Commencement Ceremony to take place Friday, May 24, 2024. As is our annual tradition, we will be paving the way for the next generation of Olympians with #MesaGivingDay on May 23, 2024.

About #MesaGivingDay-

#MesaGivingDay honors the accomplishments and hard work of this year's graduating class and paves the way for the next generation of Olympians by offering the opportunity to give back to San Diego Mesa College.

Our goal is to reach as many people as possible! We want #MesaGivingDay to be a day where everyone in San Diego and beyond can honor the work Mesa is doing to empower minds, transform lives, and shape our community.

How you can be a part of Mesa's Giving Day:



Make a Donation!

Every dollar you give will help put a college education within reach for hardworking students.

[Give now!](#)



Spread the Word!

Like, share, and repost our Social Media updates. Bonus points: include a story about why you support Mesa's mission. Use the icons below to see and share our posts.



We appreciate your generous support!

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:

Mesa College Newsroom

Mesa College Events Calendar

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