



PRESIDENT'S WEEKLY REPORT

MISSION: Focusing on the education and workforce development needs of communities in the Salinas Valley, Hartnell College strengthens communities by providing opportunities for students to reach career and/or academic goals (associate degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer to four-year institutions) in an environment committed to student learning, achievement and success.

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The President's Weekly Report highlights accomplishment, engagement, progress, and success for and within the Hartnell College community. The President's Weekly Report will be distributed every two weeks during the summer months. Please send information and photos by each Tuesday to vagonzalez@hartnell.edu.

Welcome to the Fall Semester

There is nothing more energizing at any educational institution than the beginning of a new school year, and Hartnell College is no exception. Summer work on the grounds has created beautiful spaces for students to gather and renew their spirits, and summer work on our facilities has allowed us to consolidate some very important student support services and programs in Building B. Improvements to the student and employee experience will continue into the new school year, with the Measure T-funded renovation of the second and third floors of Building E recently underway.

We held Convocation today, which was my first time to meet Hartnell's wonderful faculty as a group. Indeed, it was the first time that they had gathered together since the spring of 2020. We talked a bit about how the experience of coming back together might be jarring or disorienting, not only for their students, but also for them.

Despite all the changes and upheavals that everyone has been through in the last few years, the sense of excitement on campus is palpable as we head into this new school year together.



Spotlight on Hartnell Nursing Student

"I want to be the nurse that I wish any of my family members would have." This is the motivation for Hartnell nursing student Nancy Oros Tinoco, who spent part of the summer participating in CSU Monterey Bay's BSN

summer program. A first-generation college student from a low-income farmworker family, Oros Tinoco is the oldest of five children, eager to be a role-model for her younger siblings.

Oros Tinoco became a Certified Nursing Assistant during the pandemic, and aspires to become a nurse practitioner who focuses on geriatric care in rural areas in the Salinas Valley. But her aspirations might be out of reach without support from Hartnell's nursing scholarships for students who are pursuing both their registered nursing credential at Hartnell and a bachelor's degree in nursing from CSUMB.



Those scholarships are part of Hartnell's project on "Transforming Nursing Education to Produce an Equitable Workforce Using a Racial Equity Lens for the Salinas Valley," which promotes efforts to address systemic racism in nursing curricula by considering social determinants of health and education, and provides scholarship opportunities for students. That project won funding support from the Foundation for Community Colleges, which made these scholarships possible. The Foundation recently highlighted Oros Tinoco's success in its newsletter, posted to LinkedIn.

Oros Tinoco also was selected as one of six 2022-2023 FirstGenRN-Rural Eldercare Advancement Program (REAP) Scholars because of her interest in providing high quality elder care to rural populations and her participation in the UCSF FirstGenRN sessions. As a REAP Scholar, she received mentorship and professional development from UCSF nursing content experts in rural health and eldercare.

Oros Tinoco received a \$7,500 scholarship, food boxes, and additional funding for learning materials. The Hartnell-UCSF partnership on the FirstGenRN-REAP Scholar program will support another six REAP scholars in 2023-2024. All Hartnell College nursing students can attend monthly mentoring sessions.

Space Grant Interns Tour Labs at Stanford

For the eighth year now, Hartnell College STEM students participated in the Space Grant Opportunity for Community College Partnerships. The Space Grant was initiated in 1989 as a national network of colleges and universities working to expand opportunities for people to learn about the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) aeronautics and space projects. The program operates through consortia in all 50 states, DC, and Puerto Rico.

The main goal of the California Space Grant Consortium (CaSGC), with the sponsorship of NASA's Office of STEM Engagement, is to increase the understanding, assessment, development, and utilization of space and aeronautics resources. Nationwide, Hartnell is one of more than 500 academic institutions participating in the program annually.

Nine student interns from Hartnell took a break from their 2022 Space Grant internship projects on August 18 to tour three laboratories at Stanford University's Aeronautics & Astronautics Department: (1) the Skilling Lab, where they observed a demonstration of laser cutting machines, how to design small satellites, and 3D printing; (2) the Navigation and Autonomous Vehicles Lab, which conducts research on robust and secure positioning, navigation, and timing technologies, and (3) The Space Rendezvous Lab, a research lab that performs fundamental and applied research at the intersection of astrodynamics, guidance/navigation/control (GNC), environment characterization, and decision-making to enable future distributed space systems.



The tour helped fulfill some of the goals of the partnership, which are to enhance the STEM preparation of students at California Community Colleges resulting in increased graduation rates and greater campus enrollments in STEM disciplines in higher education.

Pictured: (Top photo) President Gutierrez talking with Space Grant interns about their aeronautics projects; (Bottom Photo) Space Grant interns at Stanford.



Summer Fun at Math Academy

Faculty, tutors and Panther Learning Lab staff recently welcomed students to the Summer 2022 Math Academy, a week-long program designed to prepare students for their fall math classes in a supportive and welcoming learning community. To best accommodate student learning needs and schedules, day, evening, in person, and online options were available for the program, which ran from August 15 through the 19th. South County students also could participate remotely from the Soledad Education Center Panther Learning Lab with tutor support.



Math faculty John Perez, Greg Perkins, Brian Palmer, and Javier Martinez designed curriculum and interactive activities focused on collaboration among students and tutors. Student feedback confirmed that students not only left the week feeling far more prepared for their upcoming classes, but that they also had fun! And perhaps most important of all, they felt supported and confident in asking questions when they encountered difficult problems.

Perez, a long-time faculty coordinator for the Academy, said that many students shared that they now felt ready for the semester to begin. Many of them connected with counselors and other campus partners, maximizing their chances for success. "The Math Academy makes it a point to show our students they are welcomed here and belong to our community," Perez said. "In many of the personal letters that students shared with me, I could see we were successful in making many of those personal connections."

A special shout-out to the Panther Learning Lab staff and ambassadors for assisting with all of the behind-the-scenes logistics and planning.

Hartnell Board Approves New Agreement with MST

With its relentless focus on student success, and the potential barrier that lack of transportation can impose on students, the Hartnell Board of Trustees unanimously approved a new agreement with Monterey-Salinas Transit at its meeting of August 16.

The agreement will allow all riders with a valid Hartnell Student ID—the electronic CatCard—to ride anywhere within the system on any day, from one week prior to each semester to one week after each semester. The contract runs for three years, with the option to extend two additional years upon mutual agreement.

When Hartnell first brokered a deal with MST several years ago, its purpose was to ensure that students who lived far away from campus or who needed to travel from one campus to another could ride the bus at a discount, so long as one of the rides originated at a campus location. Since those early days, the agreement has evolved to allow any ride, to and from anywhere within the system.

"We are so grateful for the leadership of our students and our Board of Trustees, said Director of Student Life Augustine Nevarez, "who have ensured that students will not have to forego educational opportunities due to lack of transportation."



CSin3 Kicks off with Cohort 10

What if the pathway to a great job in the high-paying field of computer science started in Salinas, offered friendships, internships with top tech companies, and wrap-around student support from mentors and assistants at both a community college and a state university, and ended just three years later in Marina with a bachelor's degree?



That was the kind of question that professors at Hartnell and CSUMB dreamed about nearly a dozen years ago. But they didn't stop with a dream. They developed a skeleton for the program, got the support of both institutions to plan such a fantastic thing, and with the generosity of Andy Matsui, who funded scholarships for all the program's participants, their dreams turned into the future for Cohort 1 of the Computer-Science-in-3 program.

That was 10 years ago. This summer, CSin3 Cohort 10 kicked off their college journey in the program by participating in Bridge Experience for Cohort Students (BECS) at CSUMB. During BECS, Hartnell's CSin3 students get to meet their cohort mates as well as their counterpart cohort at CSUMB (CS++). Both groups begin building a

strong cohort community and are introduced to computer science, laying the foundation for habits and strategies that will ensure their success in their first year of college.

As part of their bridge experience incoming students had the opportunity to interact with industry partner engineers, computer science educators, CSin3 cohort alumni, and current students in years two and three of the CS cohort programs.

The CSin3 program is a collaborative, award-winning program between Hartnell College and CSU Monterey Bay that provides a pathway and support structure for students to earn a bachelor's degree in computer science in three years. Students in this program take classes at both schools, enjoy an abundance of resources to support their journey, and commit to year-round participation in order to graduate in three years. Seventy-four percent of students graduate within three years, compared to a national average of just 19% of college students doing so.

The application period for Fall 2023 Cohort 11 starts Monday, August 29, 2022.

Panther Nights at Soledad and King City

In an effort to smooth the transition to college and assist with the sometimes bewildering enrollment and registration processes, Panther Nights were held at the Soledad and King City Education Centers on August 16 and 17. Hartnell staff were available to help new and returning students with the onboarding and registration processes for the fall semester, and answer any and all questions those students had, ranging from ESL and dual enrollment to the difference between credit and non-credit classes.



Career Technical Education Staff Visits Mt. Toro School

On August 10, Mt. Toro High School held its Back to School Night for the 2022-23 school year, and invited Hartnell's Career Technical Education to come share information about the various programs offered for students interested in technical education and workforce participation. Students and parents alike were encouraged to visit Hartnell's Education Centers, the main campus, and especially the Alisal Campus, and to make a goal to sign up for at least one class this semester. Numerous students expressed interest in several programs, especially the Administration of

Justice, Business, Manufacturing and Welding programs.

Hartnell Places Top 10 in Statewide Athletics Teams Award

Led by Hartnell's State Champion Women's Soccer Team, Hartnell garnered 105 points in the CCCAA NATYCAA Cup competition for 2021-22, good enough for 10th place among all California community colleges. The sponsoring organization-- National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators-- announced the state standings this summer, after the competition took a two-year pandemic hiatus.

The much larger Mt. San Antonio College, with 180 points, and Riverside City College, with 153 points, led the pack in this competition. Hartnell was awarded points for winning the state championship in women's soccer (20 points), placing second in the state in men's soccer and women's cross country (19 points each), and placing third in men's cross country (18 points). It also won points for its performance in women's (4th place, 17 points) and men's (10th place, 11 points) track and field, and it won an additional point for women's swimming.



"The larger schools have dominated this competition for years," said Hartnell Director of Athletics Dan Teresa, "so it was quite an accomplishment for Hartnell's teams to do so well this year. Our student-athletes and coaches are phenomenal."

Warm Welcome . . .

We are thrilled to introduce a new member of our Hartnell College team. Please wish her a warm welcome!

Fatima Bermudez, Child Development Center Teacher (August 10)



In the News

Former Hartnell College Football Players on the Prowl at Division I Schools

<https://www.montereyherald.com/2022/08/13/former-hartnell-college-football-players-on-the-prowl-at-division-i-schools/>

Central Coast Colleges Receive \$1.4M in Federal Funding

<https://kingcityrustler.com/central-coast-colleges-receive-1-4m-in-federal-funding/>

California community colleges to offer basic needs resource center

<https://kion546.com/news/2022/08/17/california-community-colleges-to-offer-basic-needs-resource-center/>

Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) College Ecosmart Pass Program Set To Begin With Hartnell College, Monterey Peninsula College, And CSUMB Starting With Fall 2022 Semester

https://mst.org/news_items/monterey-salinas-transit-mst-college-ecosmart-pass-program-set-to-begin-with-hartnell-college-monterey-peninsula-college-and-csumb-starting-with-fall-2022-semester/

Next Generation of healthcare professionals graduate from SVMHS summer program

<https://kingcityrustler.com/next-generation-of-healthcare-professionals-graduate-from-svmhs-summer-program/>

Upcoming Events

First Day of Fall Semester

Monday, August 29

Resource Fair

10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Tuesday, August 30 & Wednesday, August 31
Hartnell Main Campus

Pop-up Pantry

11 a.m.

Tuesday, August 30
King City and Soledad Education Centers

Ice Cream Social

12 p.m.

Wednesday, August 31
Main Campus, Main Plaza

A colorful poster for the Fall 2022 Week of Welcome. The background is yellow with a dark red wave at the top. The text is in various colors and fonts. The main title is 'FALL 2022 WEEK OF WELCOME' in large, bold, pink letters. Below it, the dates 'AUGUST 29TH - SEPTEMBER 1ST' are written in pink. The poster lists several events: 'MONDAY - PANTHERS RECONNECT' with details about downloading apps and winning AirPods; 'TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY RESOURCE FAIR' on Main Campus from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; 'WEDNESDAY - ICE CREAM SOCIAL' in the Main Plaza at 12:00 PM; and 'THURSDAY - CLUB RUSH' in the Student Center, Building C from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The poster also includes motivational phrases like 'MEET YOUR NEW ASHC OFFICERS!', 'LEARN ABOUT ALL OUR CAMPUS HAS TO OFFER!', 'MAKE NEW FRIENDS!', and 'WELCOME BACK PANTHERS! LET'S HAVE A GREAT SEMESTER!'.

Club Rush

10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Thursday, September 1
Hartnell Main Campus, Student Center

Men’s Soccer vs. Cerritos (Tournament)

4 p.m.
Friday, September 2
Hartnell Soccer Field

Football vs. Feather River

1 p.m.
Saturday, September 3
Rabobank Stadium

Hartnell Governing Board

5 p.m.
Tuesday, September 6
Soledad Education Center

Memorial Exhibition of Claes Oldenburg

Monday - Thursday 9 -11:00 a.m. & 3-5:30 p.m.
September 6- October 20
Hartnell College Gallery
Visual Arts Building J

Men’s Soccer vs. Clovis

4 p.m.
Friday, September 9
Hartnell Soccer Field

Women’s Soccer vs. Ventura

12 p.m.
Saturday, September 10
Hartnell Soccer Field

Women’s Soccer vs. Sierra

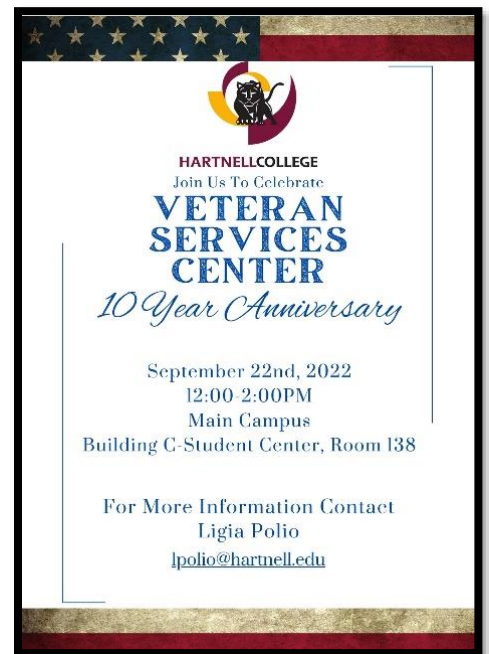
5 p.m.
Tuesday, September 13
Hartnell Soccer Field

Men’s Soccer vs. Butte

2 p.m.
Friday, September 16
Hartnell Soccer Field

Women’s Soccer vs. Cosumnes River (Doubleheader)

4:30 p.m.
Friday, September 16
Hartnell Soccer Field



Volleyball vs. Los Medanos & Sequoias

12 p.m.& 4 p.m.

Saturday, September 17

Hartnell Gymnasium

"Head Over Heels"

September 17- October 1

The Western Stage

www.westernstage.com/tickets

Veteran Services Center 10 Year Anniversary

12-2 p.m.

Thursday, September 22

Hartnell Main Campus

Building C, Room 138