



# Message in a Bottle

May 2019 Newsletter

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Commencement**  
Fri., May 17  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Sportsplex

**Classified  
Appreciation Lunch**  
Fri., May 24  
11:30 am to 1:30 pm

## *President's Message*

**CONGRATULATIONS!** We made it to the end of the year. We have all put in many hours and worked really hard to help our students achieve their goals. You have carried the world on your shoulders and you should be very proud. Kudos to all of you and I will see you at Commencement!



A special **TAHNK YOU** to the Graduation Committee for their work to organize our 89th Commencement Ceremony!



### *It's Not Too Late to Volunteer*

To recognize and honor our graduating students, it is expected that campus employees will volunteer or participate in the graduation ceremony on May 17. College services will be closed during the hours of 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Friday, May 17 to allow for participation. If an exception is needed, please discuss the request with your dean or vice president.

Please click on the following link to sign up for your activity.

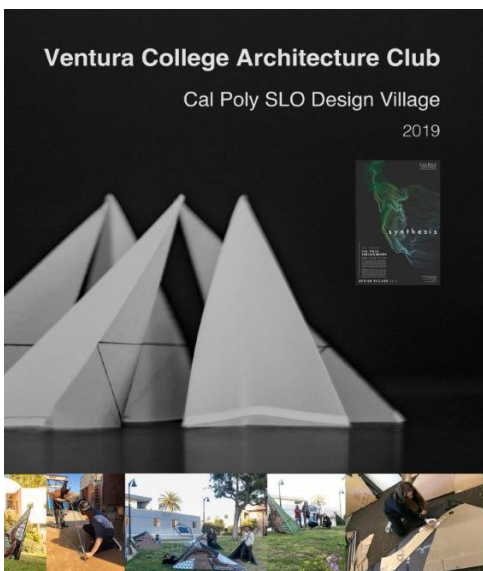
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**Graduation week is here!!!** Thank you first and foremost to every single Pirate for all that you do throughout the year and semester to help our students achieve their own academic success. This Friday, we will have the opportunity to celebrate the culmination of everyone’s hard work as we watch our student pirates’ commencement! Enjoy! Remember, with every class that graduates, a new one enters and our work continues. I would like to encourage you to stay informed regarding VC’s adoption of Guided Pathways. On our [website](#), you will find a *draft* Scale of Adoption Assessment (work plan) for 2019-20, as well as *draft* Program Clusters. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please feel free to email Sebastian Szczebiot, Colleen Coffee, and me. Have a wonderful summer!



**-Kim**

**Ventura College’s Architecture Club** received the **Best Presentation award** at Cal Poly’s annual Design Village competition. The competition took place on April 26-28, 2019. Students were asked to design and build structures within 12 hours and were required to shelter the student team for the weekend. Competitors included students from Cal Poly, the University of San Francisco and community colleges across the state. This year, 52 projects were constructed and 7 awards were presented.



**John Clark**, lead instructor for the manufacturing program at Ventura College, received the **VC Innovates Pathfinder award** on May 9, 2019. Awards were given to educators who have embodied empowering connections between education and workforce development over the past year. John Clark was recognized for his work with local and regional industry partners in engineering, technology, and manufacturing throughout Ventura County.



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Criminal Justice Faculty, **Bryan MacDonald**, for being selected as the 2019 City of Oxnard “**Distinguished Citizen of the year.**” Bryan is a retired police officer with a long history of community involvement and service to Ventura College. **#VCPiratePride**



**CONGRATULATIONS to all the programs and departments who celebrated our VC students at their End of Year Celebrations!!**



As the academic year is ending, the **MESA** Program just celebrated their transfer and awards banquet on May 3, 2019. We would like to give a pat on the back to all of our **MESA** tutors for their hard work and dedication in helping their **MESA/ASEM** peeps. We would also like to acknowledge all of our student who received scholarships and internships.



**ASVC** hosted a variety of events this past month to support our students on campus. On Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the **Second Annual Student Leadership Banquet** took place at the Wright Event Center, where **ASVC** and **Student Clubs and Organizations** celebrated all of the years accomplishments. **ASVC** also hosted “**De-Stress for Success**” at Main Campus and a Carnival at East Campus to motivate students to end the semester strong. The incoming **ASVC** officers are looking forward to a busy Summer of planning to support our students this coming **Fall 2019 semester**.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**Financial Aid is available for Summer!**

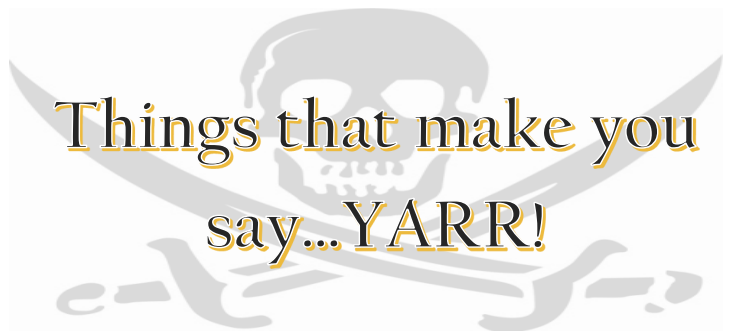
Students who are meeting satisfactory academic progress and are enrolled in at least 6 units during the summer may qualify for financial aid!

**Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)**  
 In order for a student to receive financial aid, they must meet the Qualitative, Quantitative, and Max Time components of SAP  
**Qualitative Standard:** A 2.00 minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) in all coursework attempted  
**Quantitative Standard:** A 67% minimum course completion in all coursework attempted  
**Max Time Standard:** Attempted units may not exceed 150% of the number of units required to complete your educational objective

The deadline to turn in **Summer SAP** appeals is 1st level- June 25th and 2nd level- July 9th

**Loan Application Deadlines**  
 The deadline to turn in loan requests for Summer is July 16, 2019

**BankMobile**  
 Your green envelope from BankMobile contains your **personal code**  
 Use this to make your refund preference selection



### The Governor's May Revise

Governor Newsom released his May Revision to his proposed 2019-20 State budget. The following items have changed from his initial proposal in January:

- ⇒ Cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) revised from 3.46% to 3.26%
- ⇒ Additional \$150M one-time contribution to CalSTRS reducing the employer contribution rate to 16.7%
- ⇒ Increase of \$5M for a total of \$45M to fund the second year of the California College Promise
- ⇒ \$40M for deferred maintenance, instructional equipment, and specified water conservation projects (zero dollars were proposed in January)
- ⇒ Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF)
  - Maintained January proposal to continue 2018-19 SCFF component percentages for 2019-20 (70% Base, 20% Supplemental, 10% Student Success)
  - Maintained January proposal to cap year-to-year growth of Student Success allocation to 10%
  - Maintained January proposal to adjust definition of transfer metric to identify which district gets credit for the transfer
  - May Revise proposes to extend hold harmless time frame through 2021-22

2019-20 TENTATIVE BUDGET	
Revenue to VCCCD	\$170,801,344
VC Share of Total Revenue	\$ 52,015,837
VC 2018-19 Carryover	\$ 1,046,627
VC Share SCFF 2018-19 Additional Revenue	\$ 831,168
<b>Total 2019-20 VC Tentative Budget</b>	<b>\$ 53,893,632</b>

 **PROJECT UPDATES BY DEPARTMENT** 

#### FACILITIES, MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS

We have received more than 150 work requests for Summer:

50 requests for carpet cleaning and waxing of floors for a variety of classrooms, offices and hallways throughout the campus.

30 requests for cleaning of windows, blinds, sills, and vents.

11 requests for paint which are being added to our regular schedule of repainting parking areas.

3 requests for extensive electrical work.

Additionally, we have received multiple requests involving furniture moves/removal/repair, and various requests to replace doors, gates, ceiling tiles and moldings.

A revised and prioritized project list will be forthcoming.

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

In addition to our regularly scheduled Summer refresh list, we will be working on:

Upgrading 27 lab computers in MCE 125.

Full upgrade and renovation of SCI 351 and 354.

Configuring 13 Ipad carts for the Psychology Department

Replacing 25 instructor station computers with new Optiplex 3050 micro computers

Setting up an outdoor IAP in the MCE/MCW quad

Creating a new 24-seat computer lab in Classroom #4 at East Campus

Implementing a new Zoom Room AV enhancement for LRC 128