CAMPUS FORUM AND COMMUNITY FORUM

The External Evaluation Team from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) will be visiting our campus March 11 through March 14.

This is a long awaited and much-anticipated event and I want to again thank Vice President Kathy Berry, and her staff, Standards chairs and teams, the CART Team, as well as everyone else who has worked so hard to prepare.

In conjunction with the visit, Team Chair Randall Lawrence, Superintendent/President of the College of the Siskiyous, is hosting open forums for the sole purpose of gathering information about the performance of IVC.

• A forum designed specifically for the campus community, will be during Campus Hour (noon to 1 p.m.)

Tuesday, March 12 in Room 2734.

• Another meeting, for the community at large, will be 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, March 11 in Room 2131.

I am hoping for maximum campus and community involvement in these meetings. Please plan to attend the Campus Forum March 12 and encourage your friends and neighbors to give their input at the Community Forum on March 11 at 5:00 p.m. in Room 2131.

There will not be any presentations by the Evaluation Team during either of these forums. The team's sole purpose for these forums is to hear about IVC.

The exit interview will be 11 a.m. Thursday March 14 in Room 2734.

Meet and greet at the College Center at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, March 11.



Dean Tina Aguirre and her staff kicked off 2013 with some significant achievements that will foster continued success of not only IVC's Nursing and Allied Health Programs but also training of firefighters.

IVC's Fire Academy is scheduled to receive state certification in April as an Accredited Regional Training Program. This designation is the result of lots of hard work both by IVC staff and the Advisory Committee that has been working to obtain this

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accreditation. The academy is a partnership with the county.

Alfredo Estrada, Deputy Training Chief of the Imperial County Fire Department, was highly complementary of the work that went in to this designation by both IVC staff and the Academy's Advisory Committee. "All of you have played an instrumental role in this milestone accomplishment. That being said, this is only the beginning of much hard work and many positive things to come," Estrada said in an email announcing the success of the Accreditation Visit.

We also received word in late January that IVC has received another 5-year approval from the Board of Registered Nursing with only four recommendations. I want to congratulate Dean Aguirre and Administrative Director of Nursing and Allied Health, Dr. Susan Carreon, faculty and nursing support staff for this significant accomplishment. All of us are grateful to Dr. Carreon for her role in the success of the survey and we are very thankful she is here as the Director of the RN Program.



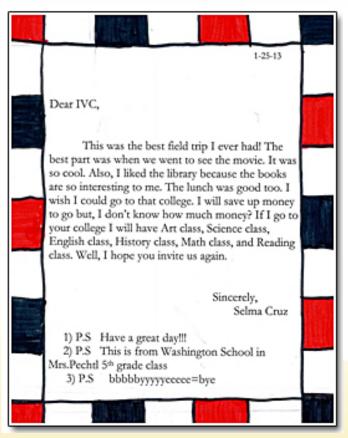


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FUTURE STUDENTS GIVE THEIR TAKE OF IVC

The Foundation hosted students from Booker T. Washington Elementary School in El Centro on January 25.

Here are some Thank You letters.

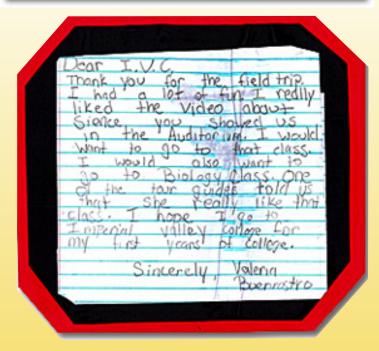


Janan, 25, 2013 Dear IVC, I loved when I went to your College it was incredible. I loved how you taught us. When you you show us the art room, we saw many creations. The best room I liked was the art room. I bred it and when I to college I am going to sign moder into that class. The science lab, I oved that one too. The best thing I liked from the science lab was the dead sing, and the dead snakro. I loved you college. I hope you will invite us again. Thankyou Sincerely, Diana Lugo Bt Washington School El Centro, California

IVC IN THE NEWS

Imperial Valley College, in partnership with two other county agencies hosted the Eighth Annual Transition Fair February 22 between the library and 2100 building, on the IVC campus.

Below is a hyper link to the online story...



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In an effort to immediately address the overcrowding of the Imperial Valley College Express bus routes from the city of Calexico to the IVC campus, First Transit Inc., Imperial Valley transit operator, has agreed to provide one additional IVC Express bus trip in the morning.

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Beginning this summer, students at Imperial Valley College will begin to pay a higher amount of money for their parking permits.

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Juanita Salas officially took her seat as a member of the Imperial Valley College Board of Trustees before family and friends February 20.

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In an effort to highlight the struggles and achievements of African-Americans in history, the Associated Student Government at Imperial Valley College held a celebration of black history February 21.

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Imperial Valley College has started an emergency-response club on campus.

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