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- ◆ On April 27, the Aspen Institute announced 25 semifinalists for the Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence, adding a milestone in the award selection process.
- ◆ The \$1 million Aspen Prize is the nation's signature recognition of community colleges that are achieving high, improving, and equitable outcomes for students.
- ◆ In years past, only ten finalists have been named on the road to the winner, and this change is designed to highlight the increased number of colleges across the country doing excellent work.



Billboards in Imperial, El Centro, Brawley and Calexico



California
Community
Colleges

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- ◆ Round Table discussion on Voters Choice with Secretary of State, Dr. Shirley Weber, Emeritus Supt/President Dr. Victor Jaime, Trustees Isabel Solis, and Hortencia Armendariz, Elizabeth Espinoza and Victor Torres.



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- ◆ Reprographics, in partnership with Canon, held a Star Wars themed open house on May 4th to exhibit their new fleet of copiers and the capabilities and services available to the campus community.
- ◆ Two lucky drawing winners received a personal scanner from Canon!



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2022 Sustainability Award

- ◆ On May 5, 2022, SCAG honored 7 innovative projects with its 2022 Sustainability Award including the Lotus Living, Rise Above Tiny Home Project.



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- ◆ On May 13, 2022, Elizabeth Espinoza was recognized as the Woman of the Year Award by the San Diego Chapter, American Association for Women in Community Colleges at their annual event.
- ◆ This award is an annual recognition to women in Region X community colleges who demonstrate exceptional leadership and advocacy for women at their campus and in the community they serve.



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Teacher Appreciation Week

May 2 - 6

***Thank you for
Building Leaders!***

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Classified Employees Week
May 16-20

Thank you for
your hard work
and **dedication!**



ACADEMIC SERVICES

Medical Assistant Pinning Ceremony

A total of 18 students completed the Medical Assistant Program and participated in the pinning ceremony on April 14th.



Medical Assistant Completion Ceremony
Spring 2022

The Nursing & Allied Health Department at
Imperial Valley College
cordially invites you to attend the

Medical Assistant Completion Ceremony

Thursday, April 14th, 2022

6:00 pm

IVC Auditorium Room# 2734

Located in 2700 Building

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ACADEMIC SERVICES – EWD UPDATE

- ◆ April 20 – Lithium State Holder Meeting
- ◆ April 28 – Presented at Small Business Day
- ◆ May 6 – Lithium Advisory Committee Meetings:
 - Laboratory Technician
 - Plant Operator
 - Instrumentation Technician
- ◆ May 12 – California Lithium Commission Meeting.
- ◆ May 12 – Imperial/Mexicali Binational Alliance Meeting



ACADEMIC SERVICES - EWD UPDATE

2022 Career Education Expo - May 12

- ◆ The Career Education Expo was a great opportunity for students from all over the Imperial County to hear and learn about potential careers and professions.
- ◆ We had over 2000 students from middle schools, high schools, continuation schools, and adult education including about 100 current IVC students.
- ◆ Over 65 local agencies represented.
- ◆ Demonstrations from Fire technology, POST Academy, Nursing, and our Industrial Technology Programs.



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ACADEMIC SERVICES

2022 El Corazon Artists' Reception - May 13

- ◆ 11 Artists Selected
- ◆ Five Categories (English Essays, English Poetry, Painting, Drawing and Photography)
- ◆ Special thanks to Dr. Johnson, Javier Melara and Jay Lewenstein (who presented via Zoom)!



ACADEMIC SERVICES

- ◆ **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program**, has been a staple for many years for the IVC Business Club.
- ◆ This program is 100% backed and supported by the Internal Revenue Service and allows both college students and business club members to learn to prepare income taxes and obtain on-the-job training while preparing tax returns in real time.
- ◆ This free service is a great incentive to our community, alleviating a little of the stress that comes every year for some during tax time.

IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE
VITA FILES YOUR TAXES FOR FREE!

Imperial Valley College partners with the IRS to offer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

TAXES

Department of the Treasury
U.S. Individual Income Tax Return

Imperial Valley College
380 E. Aten Rd.
Imperial CA.
Rooms 803 & 401

You may qualify for Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) if your 2021 income tax was:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$51,464 (\$57,414 married filing jointly) with three - qualifying children. • \$47,918 (\$53,868 married filing jointly) with two qualifying children. • \$42,158 (\$48,108 married filing jointly) with one qualifying child. • \$21,430 (\$27,380 married filing jointly) with no children. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Dates</p> <p style="background-color: yellow; padding: 2px;">Mondays and Wednesdays 8:30am-11:30am</p> <p style="background-color: yellow; padding: 2px;">Tuesdays and Fridays 1:00pm-4:00pm</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Room 401 March 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, 30 April 1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15</p> <p style="background-color: yellow; padding: 2px;">Thursdays 9:00am-2:30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: x-small;">Room 803 March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 April 7, 14</p>
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What to bring:

- W-2 forms
- Proof of childcare payments
- Social Security card for each child and/or dependent
- State-issued photo ID
- 1099 form (interest, earnings as an independent contractor)
- Other IRS forms as appropriate
- Unemployment form
- Last year's tax return (if applicable)
- Bank account and routing number for direct deposit (if applicable)

For more information on what you need to file taxes, visit www.irs.gov

Imperial Valley College
Business Students
IRS Certified Volunteers

For appointments, please call 760-355-6339
Mondays & Tuesdays
12:00-2:00 p.m. or
leave a message

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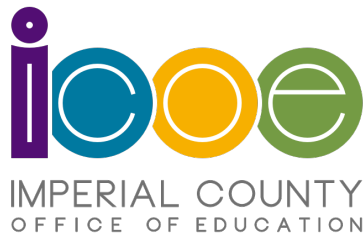
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Imperial County Higher Education Week II

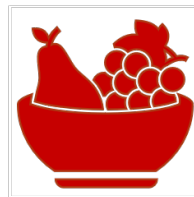
IVC Counselors, Financial Aid Team, Admissions and Records Team and Dean Lillian Finnell were out this week at Imperial Valley High Schools in collaboration with Imperial County Office of Education for the in-person Higher Ed Week II for incoming high school students.



A special thank you to everyone representing IVC during this week.

STUDENT SERVICES

Student Equity Basic Needs Center - May Food Distribution



Together we distributed food for 275 families this month. A special thank you to our students, staff, faculty and community members that assist during these distributions!!

Thank you to the IV Food Bank for supplying the food through the USDA Food Program and to SDSU Brightside Produce for delivering additional bags of produce.



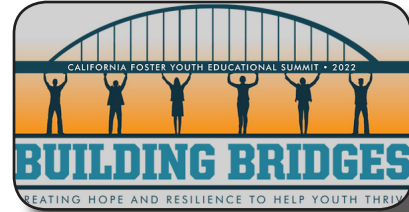
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Student Equity and Achievement



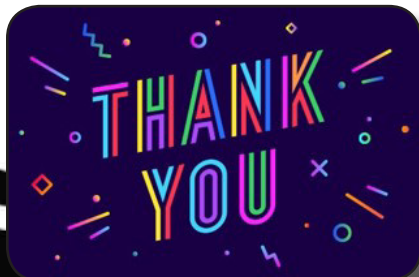
Elizabeth Sanchez, Xavier Reyna and Alexis Villa presented at the 2022 California Foster Youth Educational Summit on April 26th. Their presentation was titled: "Diverse, Equitable and Inclusive Practices to Re-engage Youth."

STUDENT SERVICES



California Community Colleges

The close collaboration and best practices between our IVC Office of Financial Aid and IVC Categorical Programs was featured at the CA Chancellor's Office "Integrating Financial Aid and Categorical Programs Webinar." There were over 350 people in attendance from institutions across the CCC.



A special thank you to the IVC Financial Aid Team for their collaboration across programs and services to connect our students to financial aid!

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STATE UPDATE

AB 1746 (Medina) Cal Grant Reform

Would reform the state's Cal Grant system by matching eligibility requirements with Pell Grants, making it easier for non-traditional students to qualify for financial aid and simplifying the process in which students apply for Cal Grants. Location:

Assembly Committee on Appropriations

Grassroots Action: Submit district template letter.

League Position: SUPPORT

AB 1505 (Rodriguez) Faculty Obligation Number

Would re-bench the faculty obligation number to reported Fall 2023 full-time faculty numbers and be adjusted annually after.

Location: Senate Education

Grassroots Action: Submit district template letter.

League Position: OPPOSE

AB 1752 (Santiago) Part-Time Faculty Member Pay

Would mandate that part-time faculty members receive compensation in at least an amount that bears the same ratio to the amount provided to full-time faculty members.

Location: Assembly Committee on Appropriations

Grassroots Action: Submit district template letter.

League Position: OPPOSE



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STATE UPDATE - BILLS FOR DISCUSSION

Academic Affairs:

AB 1705 (Irwin) Matriculation: Remediation

Would require that high school transcript be used as the primary means for determining placement in transfer-level English and transfer-level mathematics courses and narrow the use of multiple measures by colleges in the placement and enrollment of students in transfer-level math and English courses.

AB 2738 (Reyes) Matriculation: Assessment

The intent of this bill is to push colleges to offer a schedule of courses that a student can take to obtain an AA degree in two years. It provides a non-binding goal of completing an AA degree within two years for a student and implements reporting measures for colleges.

AB 1919 (Holden) Youth Transit Pass Pilot Program

Would require transit agencies to offer free youth transit passes to all people 25 years of age and under with California residency, regardless of immigration status, in order to receive specified state funding.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Campus Community
YOU ARE INVITED!

▶ Please join us for our 2022
Retirees and Employee Years of
Service Celebration

Please RSVP By May 20th using the link
provided, or by calling the President's
Office at Ext. 6547 or 6219

We hope you can join us!

Thursday, May 26, 2022
12:00 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.

Lunch will be served from
12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Program starts at
1:00 p.m.

IVC Gymnasium

RSVP Link:
[https://forms.imperial.edu/
view.php?id=909922](https://forms.imperial.edu/view.php?id=909922)

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FOSTER YOUTH AWARENESS



In honor of FY Awareness Month, you are cordially invited to join our scheduled events!

GO BLUE THURSDAYS!

Wear your favorite BLUE T-shirt to show support and solidarity for youth in foster care every Thursday in MAY.



FOSTER YOUTH AWARENESS AT IVC - VIRTUAL ZOOM FORUM

Join us on Thursday, May 12th from 3PM-4PM at our forum to share information on FY Awareness and our Resilient Scholars Program at IVC.

FY AWARENESS DAY EVENT

Join us on Thursday May 19th, 3PM-5PM inside Room 2734 to learn more about the services available to students and best practices for working with students with experiences of foster care at IVC.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL US AT EQUNITY@IMPERIAL.EDU



SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY FORUM



ASL AWARENESS



JEWISH HERITAGE



ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE

**THURSDAY,
MAY 26TH
2:00 PM - 3:30PM
ON ZOOM**



SCAN/CLICK TO REGISTER FOR EVENT

Join us at this month's forum to learn more about the ASL Community, Jewish Heritage and Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage. This month we will look into the challenges and insights for each of these groups and how we can ensure a welcoming and safe environment for all.

QUESTIONS? EQUNITY@IMPERIAL.EDU



MAY MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

WEBINAR

YOUR MIND MATTERS

SOCIAL JUSTICE & EQUITY FORUM

Join the conversation and discover how to improve your mental wellness

Community Partners will be available for a Q&A

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

3:00 P.M.

VIA ZOOM

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

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