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CAMPUS UPDATES

IVC Superintendent/President Dr. Lennor Johnson



Greetings Campus Community:

President's Office

State of the College & Groundbreaking Ceremony: On March 25, the campus and community gathered for the annual State of the College Address in Building 3200, Room 3201, followed by a ceremonial groundbreaking marking the start of construction on the Measure B funded Public Safety Regional Training Center and the new Maintenance & Operations Warehouse. The presentation highlighted how we continue to align our strategic priorities with state goals and regional needs, advancing excellence in academics, services, and results with a clear, equity centered commitment to mitigating poverty in the Imperial Valley. Through strong academic programs, student centered services, and partnerships that support workforce development and economic mobility, IVC is making meaningful progress and reaffirming that we are on the right path. Thank you for the dedication and care each of you brings to this work every day, your efforts make this impact possible. You can view the full slide deck (PDF): [here](#)

ICCD Board of Trustees, Special Meeting: On Saturday, March 28 at 8:30 a.m., the Board of Trustees will hold a Special Meeting (Retreat/Study Session) in Building 800, Room 804, to review their Spring 2026 self-evaluation and begin visioning for the future of Imperial Valley College. The session will also include a Vision 2035 workshop and the launch of the 2026–2029 Board Goal Review.

Academic Services

ACEN Initial Accreditation Site Visit Completed: Imperial Valley College's Registered Nursing Program successfully completed its initial ACEN accreditation site visit from March 24–26, 2026, with reviewers commending the program's strength, student support, and faculty expertise, while confirming that nearly all accreditation standards were met. A final report is expected in six weeks, with full accreditation anticipated this October, marking an important milestone for the program and its future graduates.

Dr. Ortiz to be Honored Saturday during El Movimiento Celebración: A great community feature is highlighting Dr. Daniel Ortiz, Associate Dean of Nursing and Allied Health at Imperial Valley College, who will be honored this Saturday at the El Movimiento Celebración in Brawley for his leadership and impact in advancing healthcare education in the region. If you're available, consider stopping by Main Street and Plaza Park from 3–11 p.m. to support Dr. Ortiz, with the recognition taking place at 9 p.m. You can read more from coverage by the [IVPress](#), [Calexico Chronicle](#), and the [Desert Review](#).

Career Expo Success: The IVC Career Education Expo 2026 took place on Thursday, March 26, bringing together community members, local middle and high school students, campus programs, and local agencies to explore career pathways and future opportunities. Thank you to everyone who helped make this engaging, community-centered event a success and for supporting student connection to education and workforce opportunities.

Administrative Services:

Travel & Conference Oversight Update: Travel and Conference oversight is transitioning from Human Resources to Administrative Services, which will now lead policies and processes related to travel and conference planning. Administrative Services is currently developing updated AP/BPs to strengthen procedures and ensure the District effectively addresses audit findings in these areas.

Spring Break Water Access Update: During Spring Break, April 6–10, campus will have limited water access as IVC's Maintenance team completes repairs to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Staff are encouraged to limit time on campus during this week due to reduced water availability.



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Student Services:

Student Housing Update: Planning continues for the new student housing opportunity at SDSU Imperial Valley in Calexico, scheduled to open Fall 2026, with ongoing coordination and outreach efforts to support student access. Staff are reminded that a Student Housing Forum will take place March 31 from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. in Room 2131, and additional details are available on the Student Housing [webpage](#).

Human Resources:

Immigration information cards: The Human Resources Office is preparing Immigration Information Cards for all employees to help ensure the campus community is prepared to maintain safety, outlining protocols for responding to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement activity. As a reminder, if approached by immigration agents, confirm you are not authorized to provide information, direct them immediately to the President's Office, notify the President's Office at (760) 355-6219 and Campus Safety at (760) 483-7411, and do not attempt to intervene or accompany them.

American Fidelity Enrollment Reminder: American Fidelity Section 125 enrollment will take place March 30 through May 1, offering employees an opportunity to save money through pre-tax benefit options and review coverage needs. Employees with dependents are required to schedule an appointment as part of the Dependent Verification Review, so be sure to reserve your spot early.

Public Information Office

Lawn Concert Series: In Recognition of Farmworkers: Join us Tuesday, March 31 at 12:00 p.m. in the IVC Amphitheater for the Lawn Concert Series honoring the United Farm Workers Movement, featuring performances by the IVC Chorus, Chamber Orchestra, and Mariachi Ensemble. This student-focused event offers an opportunity to come together in recognition of the movement's lasting impact while fostering education, reflection, and community connection.

2025 Annual Report Now Available: During the State of the College, the Public Information Office introduced the 2025 Annual Report, now refocused as a donor snapshot highlighting IVC's impact and the community partners investing in our Desert Warrior community, with an updated version planned ahead of the [IVC Foundation Hall of Fame Gala](#) on May 2 in Building 600. Departments may request printed copies by submitting a [copy request](#) with quantities and are encouraged to review the [PDF version](#) and share any suggested edits with communications@imperial.edu as soon as possible.

Final Thoughts:

As we reflect on the past few weeks, it is clear that Imperial Valley College continues to move forward with purpose, alignment, and momentum. From the State of the College Address and groundbreaking ceremony, to accreditation progress, student engagement, and community partnerships, the work taking place across our campus is making a real and lasting impact.

As always, thank you for your continued dedication to our students and to one another. Together, we are not only strengthening our institution, we are helping transform lives and expand opportunity across Imperial Valley.

Sincerely,
Lennor M. Johnson, Ed.D.
Superintendent/President