



# President's Update

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## PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

### College Leadership Council Retreat:

The March All College Leadership Retreat gathered campus leaders for two days of focused collaboration and Franklin Covey-led training on The 7-Habits of Highly Effective People, strengthening alignment and shared commitments toward Vision 2030.



## ACADEMIC SERVICES

- Search for permanent Dean of Health and Public Safety in progress
- Faculty hiring committees underway in Biology, Business, Chemistry Communication, Computer Information Systems, Emergency Medical Services, Math, and Physics
- Department Chair elections being finalized across divisions



## ACADEMIC SERVICES

- Nursing Program prepared for ACEN accreditation visit March 24-26.
- Nursing faculty from RN & VN programs joined members of Mira Costa and Palomar Community Colleges Nursing and Allied Health programs for a two-day faculty bootcamps hosted by IVC in collaboration with San Diego and Imperial Counties Regional Consortium
- Dr. Ortiz served as an expert panelist at the Nursing and Allied Health Think-Tank and K-16 Collaborative Health Career Pathways Learning Summit



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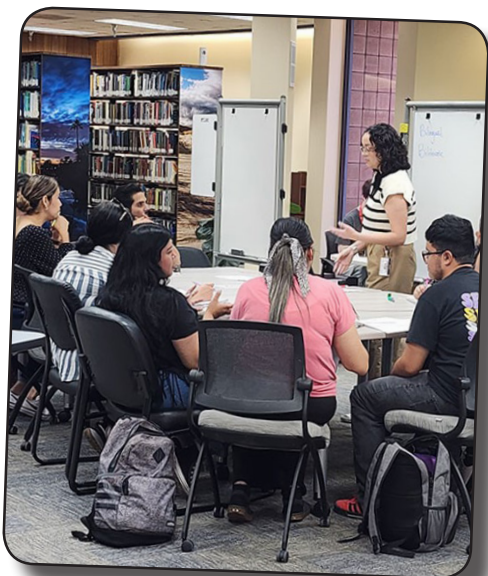
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## ACADEMIC SERVICES

- 97 tutors are staffed in classes (embedded tutors) up 37 from last semester; tutors also supporting student learning for online and 8-week courses in Distance Education starting April 1
- FIRE and POST academies have and will host hands-on program demonstrations for several K-12 and community groups in February, March, and April to include IVROP, ICOE, Transition Fair, and Middle School Career Day



## ACADEMIC SERVICES

- The first of two police recruit squads successfully completed the POST-certified training and testing requirements for Emergency Vehicle Operations in San Bernardino, CA.
- Standard and Training for Corrections (STC) Academy continues to maintain 100% retention and successfully hosted a program review and site visit from our STC consultant this month.
- The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians testing results continue to increase, with an average passing rate of 87%. This is a significant shift upward for the program!



## ACADEMIC SERVICES

### IVC CAREER EDUCATION EXPO 2026



Explore career education programs, campus services, and connect with local agencies to learn about career pathways and future opportunities.

- 📅 Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>
- 🕒 10:00AM - 1:00 PM
- 📍 Imperial Valley College

**FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!**



If you have any questions, please contact Maricela Moreno (760) 355-5754 or via email maricela.moreno@imperial.edu



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## ACADEMIC SERVICES

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
YOU ARE INVITED TO IVC'S  
LIFT IAC INDUSTRY CONNECTION SHOWCASE

Join us for an industry showcase featuring updates from IVC's Industrial Assessment Center (IAC) and workforce strategies developed through the LIFT programs. Discussions will center on how SMMs can implement assessor recommendations, industry-aligned training, and SACA certifications to strengthen operations, with dedicated time for industry partners to share input and priorities. Connect with students and faculty to explore partnership, internship, and hiring opportunities. Lunch provided for RSVP guests.

Monday, March 30, 2026  
Imperial Valley College  
11:30am-1:00pm

RSVP LIFT Industry Connection Showcase

More details coming soon!

## STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

### Student Affairs

- Financial Aid and Student Affairs hosted a **Student Development Workshop**, providing guidance to students on completing financial aid applications.
- Student Affairs led **IVC Plug Hub** information tables, **helping over 900 students during the first two days of the semester.**
- **Wayfinding signage (12+ A-frames)** was placed across campus to help students navigate campus.
- **400 students** received their first **IVC ID card** during the first two weeks of the semester.



## STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

### A2MEND

- Promise Program and NextUp students, and IVC employees **attended the A2MEND 19th Annual Summit on March 5-6 in Long Beach, CA.**
- The summit focused on strategies to support the success and leadership development of Black male students.



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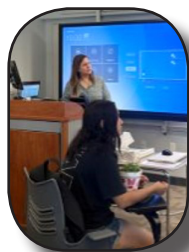
### Student Health Center



- In collaboration with Legacy MD Medical Group, the Student Health Center and IVC Athletics hosted the **2nd Annual Wellness Festival on March 10**.
- Health professionals took part in a panel discussion on wellness practices, myths, and tips for healthy living.
- Approximately **220 attendees** accessed resources and participated in the event.
- IVC LVN students provided health screenings, including blood pressure, glucose, vision, height, and weight checks.
- The Student Health Center also delivered classroom **presentations, reaching 680 students with information about available health services.**

## STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

### EOPS/CARE



Welcomed **321 new students** to EOPS Orientation

CARE hosted a **Financial Literacy Workshop** covering budgeting, saving, and financial management

CARE Orientation for **17 students**, introducing program requirements, resources, and support services



## STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

### Disability Support Program & Services

- DSPS collaborated with SDSU-IV to host a **Transfer Workshop** supporting students with disabilities with transfer and enrollment information.
- DSPS participated in the Imperial Valley **Parent Conference, assisting over 55 parents of children with disabilities.**



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## STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

### EOPS



- EOPS hosted their annual **Welcome Back event** on Friday, March 13, with **706 students in attendance**.
- Over **622 meal vendor cards**, valued at **\$150 each**, were distributed.



## STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

### BASIC NEEDS PROGRAM


- March 17, 2026, **241 IVC students** took part in **The Big Giveaway**, hosted by the Basic Needs Program.
- During this event, students used their Desert Warrior Dollars awarded for academic accomplishments such as completing CSEP, obtaining an IVC ID, transferring to a university, and other academic milestones to obtain essential resources.



## EVENTS REPORT


- Mar. 19: SDSU-IV Spring Transfer Fair
- Mar. 20: March Student Food Distribution
- Mar. 23: Campus Safety's Hazing Prevention Event
- Mar. 25: Monday Management Day
- Mar. 25: Public Forum - Nursing ACEN Accreditation Visit
- Mar. 25: State of the College & Groundbreaking Ceremonies
- Mar. 26: 2026 Career Education Expo
- Mar. 26: Student Health Center's Spring Wellness Workshop
- Mar. 27: DSPTS Transition Fair
- Mar. 31: Cesar Chavez Day
- Mar. 31: IVC Forum – SDSU Housing in Imperial Valley

**IMPERIAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**  
**STATE OF THE COLLEGE ADDRESS & GROUNDBREAKING**  
**PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL TRAINING CENTER & MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS WAREHOUSE**

  
**TRUSTEE**  
**ERIK ORTEGA**

**WEDNESDAY,**  
**MARCH 25, 2026**  
**2:30 P.M.**  
**BUILDING 3200, ROOM 3201**

Please join ICCD Board President Erik Ortega, IVC Superintendent/President Dr. Lennor Johnson, President's Cabinet and Academic Senate President Ric Epps for a State of the College address.

  
**DR. LENNOR**  
**JOHNSON**

**Groundbreaking Ceremony**

Immediately following the State of the College, please join us for light refreshments and brief remarks directly outside Building 3200. Guests will then be invited to walk together to the nearby site for the ceremonial groundbreaking shovel presentation.

