



AlumniFest Celebrates Community Colleges

About 3,000 people attended AlumniFest March 25, a celebration of community college alumni in San Diego and Imperial counties. The fun started with a tailgate party at the Valley View Casino Center, followed by a hockey game between the San Diego Gulls and the Bakersfield Condors. The regional event was led by the Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamca Colleges and is believed to be the largest crowd ever for an event of its kind. Ticket-buyers who purchased discount \$10 tickets were asked to describe in online forms how community colleges have transformed their lives.



Getting More Out Of Workday

Beginning this month, managers will no longer have to submit a monthly time card. Their vacation requests, once approved, will be on record in Workday. In another improvement coming soon, classified employees will be able to submit their time sheets through Workday instead of filling out a paper form. Employees will submit their form each week to reflect their time worked, and will be able to see their sick leave and vacation balances on Workday.

Move Coming Up For District Services Departments

Later this year, the Human Resources Department will be moving into the spaces now occupied by the Foundation and Workforce and Organizational Development in two trailers and a small office near the Grossmont College tennis courts. The Human Resources offices now in the District Services Annex will be remodeled to accommodate the foundation and Workforce and Organizational Development employees. While the renovations are underway, foundation and Workforce and Organizational Development employees will be housed in a trailer located in the Warehouse parking lot. They will then move into their District Annex space when the renovations are complete.



Preventing Sexual Assault

Campus and Parking Services (CAPS) partnered with Grossmont College Health Services on a table at the Grossmont College campus to help students prevent sexual assault. The table, with personal safety brochures and other information, was staffed by CAPS Specialist Francys Reyes and Grossmont College Health Services Specialist Juliette Harrington.

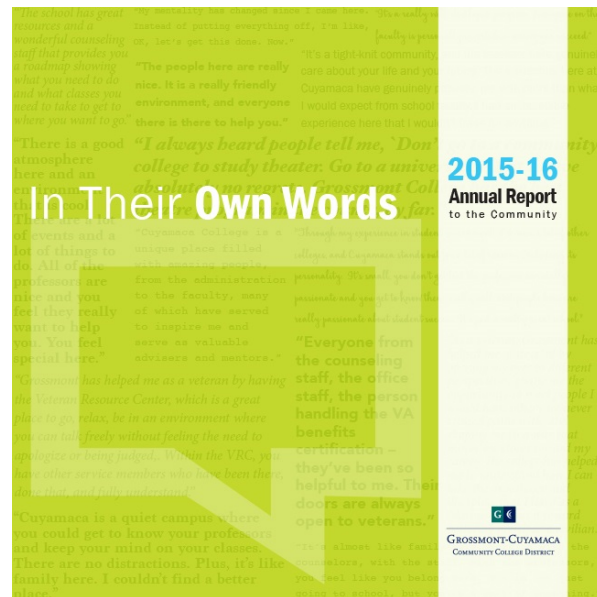
District's 2016-17 Annual Report Wins Gold Award

The District's 2016-17 annual report, [In Their Own Words](#), received a gold Paragon award from the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations, the national organization for community college marketers. A photo of a soccer goalie, now on the Cuyamaca College website, also won a silver award from NCMPR.

More than 1,800 entries from 247 community colleges across the country were submitted for the competition.

This was the third year that that district's annual report was recognized by NCMPR. The 2015 annual report won a bronze award, while the 2016 report won a silver Paragon award.

Last month, the annual report received a silver award in the Council for Advancement and Support of Education District VII competition.



New District Services Positions



Vicky Smith, Human Resources Specialist. Vicky, who previously worked as a Human Resources Coordinator for 14 years, now handles leaves for the college district. Vicky also assists staff, students and the public with general Human Resources inquiries.



Jenny Aquino, Benefits Technician. Jenny previously worked in a brokerage company serving clients with employee benefits. She now helps administer the district's employee benefit programs, including medical, dental, vision, life, and disability insurance. She also serves as the main contact for inquiries about benefits.