



Outreach

Student Registration Efforts

Since registration began last month, staff in Student Support and Service Programs (SSSP) and Admissions & Records have been calling priority registration students who have not registered for spring classes. In that time, they have called 1,500-plus students, resulting in 400-plus additional registrations.

Strong Workforce

Through the statewide Strong Workforce program, Grossmont College career technical education and allied health programs received advertising funds to produce 30-second video commercials and place ads on social media and YouTube. While the two videos feature respiratory therapy and orthopedic technology in Allied Health and culinary arts and business office technology in CTE, they are fairly general and include footage of campus. The CTE video available to view online at <https://youtu.be/oQ2-FdnLv7M> and the Allied Health videos is available to view online at <https://youtu.be/e8VoLFjQgAs>.

CalWORKS Hosted Basket Brigade Fundraiser

Grossmont College's CalWORKs program, in partnership with the Tony Robbins' Anthony Robbins Foundation, hosted another successful Basket Brigade fundraiser. Hosted in Griffin Center the Saturday before Thanksgiving, CalWORKs and other volunteers helped feed 150 students and East County families for Thanksgiving, in addition to providing information on Grossmont College and CalWORKs programs. To view a photo slideshow of their efforts, visit <https://photos.app.goo.gl/EdF7LUn2ou5ytwoi1>.



Annual High School Dance Day

The Dance Department hosted its annual High School Dance Day. More than 200 high school students from Ramona, El Capitan, Helix Charter, Steele Canyon, Valhalla and Patrick Henry high schools visited campus. During their visit, they took classes with Grossmont College dance faculty and watched Grossmont College student-choreographed pieces featured in this year's "Breaking Boundaries" dance concert.

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The Outreach Department hosted 100-plus seventh grade students from Feaster-Edison Charter School last month. During their visit, students toured campus and enjoyed a Middle Eastern lunch in the Main Quad. Feaster-Edison Charter School is K-8 school located in Chula Vista, and provides a STEAM-focused curriculum that emphasizes science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.



East County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy

In early December, the East County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy visited Grossmont College as part of its Education Day. During their visit, East County business and community leaders learned about career and technical education programs, and Career Services, and spoke with students, faculty and staff about their experiences at Grossmont College.

Engagement

Student Art Show

The Hyde Art Gallery is currently hosting its Fall 2017 Student Art Show that highlights the most exciting and innovative art and design projects that students have produced this semester. The exhibition includes the finest examples of ceramics, sculpture, painting, drawing, jewelry, digital media and photography. The gallery hosted its opening reception and award ceremony on Nov. 28. Twenty-two students were recognized with awards, and Best in Show was awarded to Cami Ritner-Yost for her bronze sculpture.

10th Annual Assistive Technology Show

The Occupational Therapy Assistant program hosted its 10th annual Assistive Technology Show on Nov. 16. The show features homemade adaptive devices created by 21 students enrolled in an assistive technology course. As part of a semester project, students create tabletop displays of their inventions and prepare short presentations, explaining the origins of their devices and how they work, the materials used, and the labor and cost of their handiwork. Devices were to be constructed with common household materials and cost no more than \$25 to produce.

CARE and CalWORKs Host Annual Holiday Party

The Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) and CalWORKs programs will host their annual holiday parties later this month. They are currently accepting donations of toys and/or gift cards to be distributed to children of the CARE and CalWORKs students. To donate a tax-deductible item, please visit their office located in the EOPS/CalWORKs office located in Bldg. 60.

Institutional Capacity

OPT Awarded Grant

The Office Professional Training program was recently awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation Western Division Community Grants Program. The grant will help support the program that provides low-cost, accelerated training to students interested in office administrative work in the insurance industry.

Creative Write-a-Thon

The Creative Writing Program hosted its annual Creative Write-a-Thon in mid-November. More than 50 students participated in this year's event, helping to raise \$2,500 for the program's Literary Arts Festival and Fall Reading Series. Throughout the daylong event, participants were provided with timed writing prompts, and were eligible for opportunity drawing prizes that included a donated laptop from the Foundation for Grossmont and Cuyamaca Colleges, along with books, journals, gift certificates and more. The event also included a catered breakfast and lunch generously provided by Ella de Castro Baron.

