



President's Report to the PCCD Board of Trustees



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Dr. Frances L. White, Interim President

72 Promise Students Are Attending College of Alameda This Fall

According to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, College Promise programs are quickly spreading across California. These programs offer opportunities to students and provide a powerful model for colleges endeavoring to develop student pathways, create linkages with K-12 partners, and design college affordability strategies.

College of Alameda (CoA) has fully embraced the Promise concept and I am delighted to share with you the good news that this fall semester we are welcoming 72 Promise students to our campus. These students are coming to us from both the Peralta Promise and College of Alameda Promise initiatives.

There are 50 new [Peralta Promise](#) students attending classes at College of Alameda this fall, in addition to the nine who are continuing with us from last year. Moreover, through the generosity of a private donor, a new Promise partnership has been established between the College of Alameda, Alameda Unified School District (AUSD), the City of Alameda and private partners.

The [College of Alameda Promise](#) now offers eligible Alameda High School graduates a variety of benefits, including a full year of college without paying fees, intensive academic support, and a book stipend. This fall semester, we are welcoming 13 [College of Alameda Promise](#) students to our campus.

Our staff and faculty are working hard to ensure the success of these promising young students and we're all looking forward to welcoming more next year as well.

NPower and CoA Celebrate a New Partnership

On September 15, 2016, College of Alameda and Npower celebrated the launch of a new partnership. Npower hosted the event on The United States Ship (USS) Hornet. Peralta Community College District (PCCD) Trustee Bill Withrow and College of Alameda Vice-President of Instruction Tim Karas attended the event. College of Alameda is the second site, west of the Rockies, to partner with this national non-profit organization and provide career pathways to veterans and other eligible participants.

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NPower's Tech Career Accelerator (TCA) program provides students with the skills and support they need to launch careers in the booming tech sector. The program includes a holistic continuum of services such as: hands-on technology and soft-skills training, assistance with transportation fees, networking opportunities, case management, and job placement support. NPower serves U.S. Armed Forces veterans of any era or those currently serving, their spouses or widows, and low to moderate income young adults from age 18 to 29 years old. NPower's TCA program at College of Alameda allows participants to earn Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) and ServiceNow Certifications, along with JavaScript and application development training in just eight weeks. We are delighted to work with this innovative organization and help ensure that our local veterans have access to high-quality technical training.



NPower Alameda
TechCareer Accelerator Launch Event

Fall 2016 Club Rush Serves Over 300 Students



Approximately 300 students participated in Club Rush Fall 2016. Representatives were on hand from a variety of student clubs and other organizations, including Black African Diaspora, Adventure Club, Latinos Unidos, Automotive Club, Dental Assisting Club, Soccer Club, Voter Registration, Associated Students, MESA (Mathematics, Engineering, Science Academy), Health Center, International Club, Chipotle (Advertising Job opportunities and on site

hiring), Army, Navy, and Marines Recruiters, Voter Registration, Social Media Club, and Science Alliance.



Veteran's Resource Center Welcomes Veteran's to Fall Semester

College of Alameda's Veteran's Resource Center recently held an open house to kick off the fall semester. Many new and continuing veteran students attended the event along with a number of faculty and staff. Special thanks to all who made the event a success, including the CoA Cafeteria (catering), DSPS, Jackie Vo and Financial Aid, Evan Schloss and Mental Health services, Lifeline Program, Housing Authority, Veteran's Resource Center Staff Assistant, LaShawn Brumfield, Humanities Instructor Augustine Flores, and Psychology Instructor Sarah Peterson-Guada.

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CoA Veteran's Resource Center: First Monday's Movie Nights



Help us spread the news about upcoming events at the Veteran's Resource Center including: **First Monday's Movie Nights** on November 7 and December 5, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and a special Veterans' Day event on November 10, 2016.

Photo from left: Veteran's Resource Center Staff Assistant LaShawn Brumfield, and Jamar Mears, M.A., Chair, Counseling Department, Veterans Counselor/Instructor

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