Dear campus community,

As we near the start of a new year, it is only natural for us to think back on the last few months. I encourage you to focus on the positives as you navigate this year’s challenges. Consider the impact you’ve had and continue to have on the lives of others. Reflect on how that impact continues to evolve. Think about how far you’ve come as an individual, the new heights you’ve reached, the ideas you’ve brought to life, and how each of you worked together to overcome recent obstacles that we’re still trying to overcome. We all gained knowledge from the experience on an individual and a collective level. The most significant thing we discovered is that as a direct result of your dedication, the future of Hartnell is in good hands.

When I reflect over the past few months, I can’t help but be filled with a mixture of pride and humility at the incredible accomplishments we achieved for the college and our students.

As you plan for 2023, I hope you continue to commit to investing in the organization’s long-term strategy for student success. Our team and the college will be stronger if, as a community, we continue to work together. I am grateful for everything that you do.

I wish you a well and restful holiday,

Michael Gutierrez
Superintendent/President
Hartnell Community College District Governing Board Elects Trustee Aurelio Salazar, Jr. 2023 Board President

At its annual organizational meeting held on December 13, 2022, the Hartnell Community College District (HCCD) Governing Board elected its officers, appointed its representatives, and designated its meeting dates, times, and locations for the calendar year 2023.

Aurelio Salazar, Jr., Area 2 representative, was elected HCCD’s 2023 Board President, replacing outgoing President Erica Padilla-Chavez, Area 6 representative.

The Board’s meeting dates, times, and locations for the calendar year 2023 are posted on the Hartnell website.

2023 Calendar Year Board Members, Officers and Representatives (in order by area district)

Alejandra González (Area 1)
*Governing Board Vice President*
District Audit Committee (2023)
Board Representative to Hartnell College Foundation Council for the Arts

Aurelio Salazar, Jr. (Area 2)
*Board President*
District Audit Committee (2023, 2024)

Margaret D’Arrigo (Area 3)
Board Representative to Hartnell College Foundation President’s Task Force

Irma Lopez (Area 4)
Board Representative to Executive Council of the Monterey County School Boards Association

Ray Montemayor (Area 5)

Erica Padilla-Chavez (Area 6)
Board Representative to Hartnell College Foundation President’s Task Force

Candi DePauw (Area 7)
Board Representative to Hartnell College Foundation Board of Directors
Board Representative to Hartnell College Foundation Council for the Arts

Michael Gutierrez, Superintendent/President
Governing Board Secretary

Congratulations to Trustee Salazar on becoming our new board president and Trustee Gonzalez for becoming our new board vice president. A big heartfelt thank you to outgoing President Trustee Padilla-Chavez and vice president Trustee DePauw. You both demonstrated incredible leadership and determination.
Lights of Love

Gifts are wrapped and ready to go! Over 500 children of Hartnell College students will receive a gift for the holidays thanks to donations and items purchased by ASHC.

Great job everyone!

Festival of Trees

The annual Festival of Trees took place in the Student Center from November 28 - December 9. The festive event is hosted by the ICC and engages student clubs in decorating trees that are then donated to families in need. Five clubs and two departments decorated trees, and the CDC children chose their favorite decorated tree.

This year, the Veterans Club tree was voted most decorative.

200 for the WIN!

Jamie Pedroza, Hartnell College Volleyball coach achieved her 200th coaching career win this season.

Congratulations!
CTE Open House at Alisal Campus is a huge success!

On December 9, 2022, Hartnell College’s Alisal Campus hosted its first Career Technical Education Open House.

Approximately 550 students from Salinas High School, Everett Alvarez High School, Mission Trails ROP, and North Monterey County High School attended and were provided presentations and interacted with faculty & staff in Advanced Automotive, Advanced Diesel, Construction Management & Architecture, Welding & Manufacturing/Mechatronics. In addition, staff and volunteers provided students with mini-workshops in Financial Aid, Student Success & Career Prep & Placement (Career HUB). STEM and Salinas Valley Promise also provided students with information about their prospective areas. Industry partners including Pacific Ag Rentals, Carbon Robotics, Festo, Grizzly Concrete Pumping, Linde Welding Gas & Equipment, MST, Hayward Lumber, Salinas Police Department, Greenfield Police Department, Ciarra Construction, Quinn Company, MYcars, and Salinas Valley Toyota were all present to engage with students.

Industry partners in attendance are now expressing interest in partnering with Hartnell College to offer student internship opportunities.
Hartnell College Foundation hosts annual President’s Circle Celebration

Each year, the Hartnell College Foundation looks forward to an opportunity to celebrate and thank donors and community members who are helping Hartnell College put students first! This year, the foundation was grateful to specially recognize Change-Makers of the Year, Leadership and Courage Awardee, and Boardmembers who have gone above and beyond in service to our students and community.

Hartnell College Rotaract Club is making a difference in our communities

Rotaract is a college-level subdivision of Rotary International that focuses on community service and student success. The Rotaract club supports our communities through food/toy drives, city cleanups, being involved in city events, and offering members the opportunity for scholarships.

Although the Hartnell club is relatively new, it strives toward becoming a club of excellence through its recorded successes. During this semester, the Rotoract Club partnered with ten other Rotary clubs, traveled to five cities to volunteer for community events, and gained over 30 new members.

The club is expecting to grow in members and volunteer opportunities next semester.
Hartnell College Hosts California State FFA Officers

On December 6th and 7th, the California State FFA officer team, and their advisor from the California Department of Education, visited Salinas and surrounding areas.

On December 6th, CTE Alisal staff helped with tours to introduce the student leaders to our district and industry partners, giving them a sample of the technology used in agricultural breeding, production, and processing.

On the 7th, the officers were invited to a breakfast at the Alisal Campus hosted by the Hartnell College Foundation.

Elected annually by delegates from each FFA chapter in California, the State FFA Officer team’s purpose is to inspire and lead their peers, shepherding the FFA component of the program.

With the needs of over 97,000 of their fellow members at heart, the team sets intentions and creates programming to move the association forward and serve the needs of their peers and the agriculture industry.

Officers delay college for a year to serve their term, basing their operations out of the California FFA Center in Galt.

Share your news!

The President’s Weekly Report highlights accomplishment, engagement, progress, and success for and within the Hartnell College community.

The President’s Weekly Report will be distributed every two weeks. Please send information and photos by each Tuesday to vagonzalez@hartnell.edu.
CARE/CalWORKs 2022 Winter Celebration

On Friday, December 9th, the CARE/CalWORKs programs celebrated their Winter Celebration. This is a day for student parents to bring their children and enjoy arts and crafts activities while anxiously awaiting for Santa to arrive. After a 2 year hiatus of an in-person celebration due to the pandemic, it was beautiful to see the children dancing, playing and being so merry when Santa handed them their presents.

This event was a collaboration between the CARE/CalWORKs programs and the Associated Students of Hartnell College/Office of Student Life as they graciously donated toys through the Lights of Love campaign. Thank you to all of the individuals who made this event possible and such a successful event! Our families enjoyed a nice dinner which consisted of hot chocolate, tamales and sweet bread. In preparation for Santa’s arrival, all children were handed a jingle bell and sang to welcome Santa. Seeing the smiles on the children’s faces was priceless. This event could not have been possible without the support of our CARE/CalWORKs staff and peer advisors.

Thank you to Ms. Sarah Garcia, Marlene Hernandez and peer advisors Jocelyn, Nancy and A’leizayah. You all are bright stars!

Caught in Action

Samuel Valdez
Program Assistant II - King City Education Center and Soledad Education Center

Last week, Samuel Valdez was out in the community during an outreach event promoting Hartnell programs and services.
Children and parents of the Child Development Center enjoyed a day full of craft making, snow playing, and food to celebrate this year’s theme: Holidays around the world. The event educated and celebrated Posadas (traditional Mexican celebration), Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and Puerto Rican and Filipino traditions.

**Kwanzaa**

An educational and moving celebration in honor of Kwanzaa took place on Thursday, December 15 in the Umoja Center at the main campus.

Kwanzaa is a weeklong celebration held in the United States that honors African heritage in African-American culture, and is observed from December 26th to January 1st.

**Child Development Center Christmas Carols and Holiday Cheer**

Hartnell faculty and staff were greeted early Wednesday, December 14 by carolers and festive treats from the Children Development Center.
We are thrilled to introduce a new member of our Hartnell College team. Please wish them a warm welcome!

Diego Quezada Munoz  
*Academic support specialist*

On behalf of Hartnell College, we wish you well in your retirement! Thank you for your years of service.

Heidi Gentry  
Eva Diaz  
Carlos Margarito  
Roberta Ruiz-Camacho

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**Employee Announcements**

*The Hartnell department of Psychology hosted several events in December*

Between December 5 - 7, psychology students set up their psychological research projects in Steinbeck Hall. The Symposium provided students with a venue to present their research projects to the community. Posters were displayed, and students shared their presentations of original research findings.

On December 5, the Psychology Club hosted an Encouragement Booth in the Student Center. The club provided students and visitors with post-it notes to write down encouraging words. All the positive messages were then placed inside jars to share with those needing them. Additionally, mental health resources were provided throughout the day.

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Welcome Emily Brown

Athletic Trainer

Emily was born and raised on the Monterey Peninsula, graduating from Monterey High School and completing her bachelor’s degree in Athletic Training at CSU Sacramento. Emily moved around after becoming certified, from Sacramento to Fresno, and ended up at Mendota High School as their first Certified Athletic Trainer.

During COVID, Emily relocated back to the peninsula due to her mother’s illness. Emily’s mother unfortunately passed in August 2020. After some time to mourn & communities began bouncing back from COVID closures, Emily accepted a job at Monte Vista Christian High School, where she was able to grow & build confidence in her skills as an athletic trainer. While becoming accustomed to working with high school students, Emily always knew that her ultimate goal was to work at the community college level, where she could feel a much more significant impact on student-athlete’s lives. Emily feels blessed to be able to live and work in the most beautiful area, work within the community that helped raise her, and contribute to the success and enrichment of all our student-athletes.

Welcome to Hartnell, Emily!
The California Community College Chancellor’s Office is excited to offer faculty the opportunity to participate in the online professional development micro-credential courses, Creating an Inclusive and Supporting Online Learning Environment and Promoting Active Learning Online, offered by the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE). Faculty teaching transfer-level Math Programs (in STEM and SLAM pathways) online are highly encouraged to participate, but all faculty are welcome to apply.

ACUE’s courses, endorsed by the American Council on Education (ACE), are designed to address a comprehensive set of evidence-based teaching practices shown to promote student success.

The micro-credential course offerings include the following:

• **Designing Learning Centered and Equitable Courses (Online/Face to Face Teaching)** - Participants learn practices that ensure equitable course design.

• **Inspiring Inquiry and Preparing Lifelong Learners (Online Teaching)** - Participants learn practices to motivate students, practice self-efficacy and promote higher order thinking.

• **Inclusive Teaching for Equitable Learning Courses (Online/Face to Face Teaching)** - Faculty learn evidence-based teaching practices to create inclusive learning environments that develop students' sense of belonging.

The first cohort begins January 30th, 2023 and the second cohort will begin March 27, 2023. Courses take approximately 7-8 weeks to complete. To apply for either cohort, please complete the CCCC CoACUE Registration Application. To learn more about ACUE, please visit our site. Please contact Marrin Thuston (MThuston@cccco.edu) or Jacquelyn Gaines (jgaines@acue.org) for additional details.

**Please contact your campus to determine whether this PD experience can be used towards a step increase or flex credit.**

What Other Faculty Are Saying…

“All of ACUE’s new ways of looking at course design will help me become a better instructor and help my students feel more engaged in the class knowing what they need to do to be successful in a clear, comprehensive way.”

--Instructor, California Community College System

“Since using [ACUE’s rubric], I think my grading is more consistent now and fairer to my students. Students understand how I will be evaluating their work, and by using a rubric, I’m less prone to emotional reactions affecting student grades.”

--Instructor, California Community College System
**Upcoming Events**

**Campus Closed  December 19, 2022 - January 2, 2023**

**Women’s Basketball vs. Allan Hancock**
3 p.m.
Thursday, December 29
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Women’s Basketball vs. Cuesta**
3 p.m.
Friday, December 30
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Women’s Basketball vs. Gavilan**
5 p.m.
Wednesday, January 4
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Men’s Basketball vs. Gavilan**
7 p.m.
Wednesday, January 4
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Panther Night**
5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 10
Soledad Education Center

**Spring Semester Begins January 23, 2023**

**In the News**

**College Athlete of the Week**
Daja Scott-Mitchell, Hartnell women’s basketball

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**Starbucks Certified Coffee Master**

Yes, you read that right! Congratulations to the Hartnell College Starbucks barista, Angel, for becoming a COFFEE MASTER! Angel completed the coffee master program a few weeks ago. During the process of becoming a coffee master, he earned himself multiple pins as well as the rare and coveted black Coffee Master apron.