The Student Experience is far more than what happens in the classroom. It encompasses every interaction we have with our students - from before they ever set foot on campus until long after graduation. With an increasingly growing personalized approach to teaching and learning, Hartnell College strives to meet each student’s unique needs for access to education, academic achievement, emotional well-being, and social networking opportunities during their journey as a learner.

Recently, Hartnell College took a giant leap forward in improving the student experience by teaming up with the consulting group Swim Digital. This strategic partnership provides an invaluable opportunity for Hartnell College faculty and staff to gain insights into areas where progress is needed and may be facing challenges within current processes.

Over the next few months, Hartnell College will undergo self-discovery to identify how to serve our students best. We are setting the standard to provide always personalized experiences that foster student success and equitable learning environments. Our goal is to create an improved onboarding experience for our students. To do this, we must first map out the current journey from start-to-finish — pinpointing any gaps or inefficiencies along the way.

We are passionate about serving each individual within the college community and will strive to reassure everyone feels heard during positive changes that our students drive and influence daily.

Michael Gutierrez
Superintendent/President
Rising Scholars program is selected to participate in The Access Project

Our Rising Scholars program has been chosen as a recipient of The Access Project’s free record clearance service. This means that formerly incarcerated students now have the opportunity to clear their records with the Department of Justice for select offenses. This could potentially increase a student’s ability to apply for and access jobs. We are proud and eager to bring this initiative from The Access Project into fruition in order expand opportunities for everyone involved. Fantastic job and congratulations to our South County teams!

Driscoll presented the Hartnell Soccer Program with a $22,600 donation!

Jenna Rodriguez, Luis Guerrero, and Rosaura Berrelleza representatives from Driscoll, presented Hartnell’s Soccer Program with a $22,600 donation check. On November 12, 2022, Hartnell's Soccer Program held a BBQ fundraiser. Through Driscoll Gives, Driscoll donated all of the food for the BBQ fundraiser and doubled the amount raised.

Thank you Driscolls for supporting Hartnell Athletics!
On January 27, 2023 we had our Trauma Informed Practices: Impact on Teaching and Learning workshop at Hartnell Main Campus; Building S, Room 218.

We had the following attendees:

- 1 student
- 7 faculty
- 4 staff
- 1 community member

Additional Dates!

Featured Photos

Hartnell College has stunning beauty to share with the world! Capture a photo that best captures its unique aesthetics, then submit it and be featured in our next report.

We are now accepting photos! Start snapping your perfect shot today! Email your photos to vagonzalez@hartnell.edu.

This week’s submissions:

Left: Submitted by Jenny Santana
Above: Submitted by George Munoz
When: Saturday, March 4th  
Time: 11 AM-2PM  
Location: Hartnell College - 1752 E Alisal St, Salinas, CA 93905

11am Intro to Drones  
Learn about innovation in the field of drone technology, career-paths, and drone training and certification opportunities in your own community.

12pm Lunch  
Lunch will be provided. Please share your dietary preferences on the registration form.

1pm Drone Flying  
Experience drones in flight! Professional drone specialists will provide a demo and opportunities for participants to fly drones.

Registration:  
https://forms.gle/uf8f6fsFGjtQq6GC8  
For more info email us at mayra.ochoa@digitalnest.org
CASH FOR COLLEGE 2023

WHAT TO BRING:
- DRIVER’S LICENSE (IF APPLICABLE)
- SOCIAL SECURITY CARD (IF APPLICABLE)
- ALIEN REGISTRATION CARD (IF YOU ARE NOT A UNITED STATES CITIZEN)
- FSA ID (STUDENT AND PARENT)
- YOUR 2021 W-2'S
- PARENT'S 2021 W-2'S
- YOUR 2021 TAXES
- YOUR PARENT’S 2021 TAXES

LOCATION:
STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING B ROOM 230C
PRESENTATION:
ENGLISH/SPANISH 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM
BUILDING B ROOM 203

25 FEBRUARY
8 AM - 11 AM

This event is wheelchair accessible. Individuals requiring sign-language interpreters, real-time captioners, or other accommodations should contact the Financial Aid Office at (831) 755-6806, visit B-121, or email the Financial Aid Office at finaid@hartnell.edu
SVP scholar will be receiving the 2022 Hermie Robles Youth Award

Salinas Valley Promise scholar Elliot Riley will be presented with the 2022 Hermie Robles Youth Award by the King City Chamber of Commerce. The Hermie Robles Youth Award recognizes youth ages 15 to 26 who are nominated for outstanding service to the community. Elliot’s recognition comes from his many hours of volunteer work with Lockwood 4-H, Interact Club, MCARLM, Hesperia Hall Foundation, and more.

Elliot will receive his award on March 2, 2023, during the King City Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Dinner. Congratulations!

Forklift training at the Alisal Campus

At the Alisal Campus, students had an opportunity to sharpen their skills and gain expertise in forklift operations. They explored how to skillfully maneuver pallets around obstacles and safely transport large loads, which is essential knowledge for those working within agriculture industries.

Special thanks go out Pacific AG Rentals for the generous donation of allowing Hartnell to borrow equipment each semester. This invaluable assistance allows our students to access practical hands-on training.
Black History Month Celebration

Associated Students of Hartnell College will be honoring Black History Month with several visual installations on our main campus from February 1-27th. These installations are meant to commemorate notable figures in African American history who have demonstrated resilience, persistence, and progress for our nation as a whole.

In addition to these displays, the college is also hosting a film screening on February 22nd at the planetarium.

“The month-long celebration invites everyone within the community to participate in some way or another whether it be through one of these events or other programs offered throughout the community,” said Apolonia Preciado Castillo, Associated Students of Hartnell College President. “This provides us all with an opportunity to come together while looking towards an inclusive future.”

See below for calendar of events.

Black Prophetic Fire: An Evening with Dr. Cornel West
Monday, February 27, 2023 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Dr. Cornel West will join CalEndow Live on February 27 for a special Black History Month program moderated by Dr. Robert K. Ross, President and CEO of The California Endowment. Dr. West will share memories of his upbringing in Sacramento and describe how the lessons he learned at Shiloh Baptist Church shaped his values and philosophy of life. This virtual event is free. Registration is required (link).
How Caring Campus California fortifies the vision for success

The Caring Campus California initiative of the Institute for Evidence-Based Change (IEBC) involves classified professional staff in student success initiatives by identifying behaviors that increase students' sense of connectedness to the college campus. Improving connectedness leads to increases in persistence that, in turn, leads to higher rates of completion. By doing so, Caring Campus California directly strengthens colleges' efforts to achieve the Vision for Success goals by supporting the document's core commitments.

**Focus relentlessly on student's end goals**
It is not enough for administrators and faculty to always have student success in their sights and underpinning their work. Completing a student's education plans goes beyond the classroom. It requires a team approach with support from all departments and divisions. Staff can help ensure students achieve their end goals by removing non-academic obstacles to student success.

**Always design and decide with the student in mind**
At the heart of Caring Campus California is understanding and accommodating students' on and off campus lives. Classified professional staff identify behaviors that are student-centered to ensure the college experience meets students where they are; especially important for first-time in-college students who have little to no experience dealing with bureaucracies.

**Pair high expectations with high support**
Supporting students means assisting them to succeed in every way possible. Classified professional staff help to reduce barriers; ensuring the process for applying, enrolling, and persisting is clear, free of jargon, and easily understood by all students. They're early problem solvers helping new students navigate registration, financial aid options, buying books and supplies, and figuring out where their class is being held.

**Foster the use of data, inquiry, and evidence**
Caring Campus California begins with data. Disaggregating student success data to understand which subpopulations of students are at greater risk for not completing their educational goals leads to a process of inquiry about how colleges can improve the student condition. And this, invariably, leads to improving the student's campus experience.

**Take ownership of goals and performance**
Caring Campus California asks the same thing of everyone on campus: How are your behaviors supporting the student success goals of your college? Reflecting on this question and taking personal responsibility for each and every interaction with a student fosters ownership of these goals.

**Enable action and thoughtful innovation**
Caring Campus California is grounded in this core commitment. Classified professional staff are encouraged to innovate and act in new ways that support their job and builds a team. By identifying and committing to new behaviors staff are empowered to explore beyond their desks to identify policies and procedures that might get in the way of student success—and to work to change them.

**Lead the work of partnering across systems**
Whether it's completion of financial aid forms, ensuring transcripts are sent, or providing information about transfer degrees and programs, classified professional staff are crucial to ensuring smooth transitions for students to California's other higher education systems. Caring Campus California makes salient the important role to be fulfilled beyond their own campus.
South County Farm Day 2023

On Thursday, January 26th 2023, the community of Salinas Valley came together for its annual South County Farm Day. The day was filled with exciting hands-on activities - from tours around local farms to educational exhibits and demonstrations. The annual favorite brings the opportunity for those living in urban areas to come face-to-face with our county’s agricultural industry. Even more special were the connections made between industrious farmers and inspired children.

Thank you to everyone that had part in this meaningful event, including Candi DePauw, Board Trustee, and countless Hartnell College staff, management, and faculty for volunteering.
Earlier this month, we spotted staff and children from the CDC enjoying a little bit of baseball!

Upcoming Events

**Baseball vs. San Mateo**
1 p.m.
Friday, February 17
Tony Teresa Diamond

**Women’s Basketball vs. San Jose City College**
5 p.m.
Friday, February 17
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Men’s Basketball vs. San Jose City College**
7 p.m.
Friday, February 17
Hartnell Gymnasium

**Softball vs. Diablo Valley (Doubleheader)**
12 p.m. & 4 p.m.
Saturday, February 18
Hartnell Softball Field

**Hartnell CCD Governing Board Meeting**
5 p.m.
Tuesday, February 21
Main Campus
Steinbeck Hall

**Black History Month Film Showing**
1 p.m.
Wednesday, February 22
Main Campus
Building S, Planetarium

**Pop-Up Pantry**
11 a.m.
Friday, February 24
Hartnell Parking Structure

**Trauma Informed Practices:**
12 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
Friday, February 24
Main Campus
Building S, Room 218

**Softball vs. Siskyous (Doubleheader)**
12 p.m. & 2 p.m.
Saturday, February 25
Hartnell Softball Field

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An Evening of Philosophy, Politics, and Culture with Dr. Cornel West
Monday, February 27
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
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