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The mission of El Camino College is to meet the educational needs of our diverse community and ensure student success by offering quality, comprehensive educational opportunities.



EL CAMINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

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Board President Beverly
Members of the Board of Trustees
El Camino Community College District

Dear Members of the Board:

Pursuant to our employment agreement, this is a notification of my intent to retire February 1, 2016. After a half-century association with El Camino College, initially as a student and through the presidency, my experiences have been fulfilling, memorable, and rewarding. For this I am deeply appreciative.

Thank you, Members of the Board of Trustees. Your steadfast support provides an environment of trust, confidence and the opportunity to risk. The community has counted El Camino College as a crown jewel in education. Its support placed in your hands has more than been returned affirming that El Camino College is by, of and for the community.

Our students are always the source of the greatest joy whether in studies, counseling or conversation. We are all blessed to provide superior educational opportunities. We have been fortunate to hire more than 300 faculty members over the last couple decades. We have also been supported by wonderful staff and dedicated managers. Our common unity of excellence in education has been borne by the community support for two General Obligation Bonds.

The hardest part of retiring is leaving the work, the joy and the fulfillment of the presidency of El Camino College. The next Superintendent/President will be fortunate to empower student success with your leadership, fine colleagues and strong community support.

I look forward to completing the duties in the last year of my presidency and serve you, the students, the community and the business of the District as you transition to a new Superintendent/President.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Fallo
Superintendent/President

Breakfast with the President



ECC Student Ambassadors with SCE representative.

The El Camino College Foundation recently sponsored the annual Breakfast with the President. Members of the President's Circle, annual sponsors, Foundation board members, and guests attended this event. President Fallo presented a "state of the college" address and recognized the college's community partners whose support contributes to the success of countless students. El Camino College students Kimberly Garcia and Rafael Chaidez also spoke to the group, sharing their academic experiences. Southern California Edison presented a check for \$25,000 to the Foundation, which will fund MESA|SSS-STEM student scholarships. The Foundation's new Executive Director Andrea Sala was also introduced.

2015 Women of Distinction Award

The ECC Women's History Month Committee is seeking candidates for the 2015 "Women of Distinction Award." This annual award recognizes outstanding women from the El Camino Community College District (ECCCD), honoring them for their contributions to the community. Honorees are selected by the committee each year during March – Women's History Month. Award nominations may be made by friends, family, and colleagues; or individuals may nominate themselves. Nominees will be judged for their contributions in one or more of the following areas: professional accomplishments; leadership and/or mentorship; and social, educational, or health services.

Those nominated must also live or work in the communities within the ECCCD: El Segundo, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Lawndale, Lennox, Inglewood, Hawthorne, and Torrance. The nomination deadline is March 16. The leaders will be honored at the annual Women's Wall of Fame Program set for May 5. They will also be featured on the El Camino College Women's Wall of Fame throughout the year and their names will be engraved on a plaque that remains on the wall permanently. To nominate a candidate, go to www.elcamino.edu/events/docs/WHM_NominationForm_2015.pdf or call 310-660-3868.

Blood Drive Scheduled

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the Spring 2015 Blood Drive, scheduled for March 10-12 in the Student Activities Center, East Lounge. The El Camino College Inter-Club Council and Student Development Office co-sponsor this twice-per-year blood drive. Blood donors may check in at the Student Activities Center from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., March 10 and 12 and from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. March 11. Help donate life-saving blood!

Campus Safety: Be Prepared! Be Safe!

At El Camino College, we are continually refining our campus safety programs. Working together as a college community is also very important and essential in maintaining a safe environment. Remember: A truly safe campus is achieved through the cooperation of all of us. Campus Police continually reminds us: "If you see something, say something." If you see or hear something that does not appear quite right, immediately contact Campus Police by calling 911, 310-660-3100, or use a campus "Code Blue" emergency phone.

One way to stay informed is to sign up to receive Nixle emergency alerts from ECC Campus Police. Simply **text 888777 and type ECCPD**. This service is free and easy to use. For more info on Nixle: <http://www.elcamino.edu/police/>.

Campus Calendar

March

- 6-8 "The Laramie Project"
- 7 Onizuka Space Science Day
- 10-12 Blood Drive
- 14-20 Spring Recess
- 16 Board of Trustees Meeting
Women of Distinction
Nominations Due
- 21 Mid-Term Classes Begin
- 28 Planetarium Show

April

- 2 ECC Spring
Dance Concert
University Transfer Fair
- 13 Board of Trustees Meeting
- 14 Career & Majors Fair
- 15 Academic Awards/
Presidential Scholars
Ceremony
- 16 Scholarship Awards
Ceremony

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