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El Camino College Plans Veteran's Day Event

El Camino College students who are also military veterans will be honored at an event designed to celebrate their accomplishments and academic endeavors.

"A Salute to El Camino College Military Veterans; Courage, Commitment, Education" is scheduled to run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov 8 in the Student Activities Center. This first-ever event will begin with a "pinning ceremony" as El Camino College administrators pin an American flag on each veteran's lapel.

The tribute to the veterans and their service to the United States will be followed by a reception where representatives from various service organizations will be on hand for answering questions and networking.

"We want to salute the fact that our veterans have past accomplishments and are in school now – they are part of our El Camino College community as they pursue their education," said William Cooper, a counselor at El Camino College who helped plan the event. "As educators, we feel career planning has to begin with a commitment to education. So, we salute their commitment to education and their motivation toward the future."

El Camino College administrators Jeannie Nishime, vice president of student services; Bill Mulrooney, director of admissions and records; and Regina Smith, dean of counseling, plan to attend.

The event is also designed to bring various veterans resources together in one place to make it easy for students to participate and get connected to what is available to them. Representatives from the Gardena Veteran's Center, the Veteran's Outreach Program, and the Employment Development Department will be available to offer information and answer questions.

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