El Camino College will host the 10th Annual Black Caucus Leadership Conference running Feb. 15 to 16. The event is organized by the Black Caucus of the California Student Association of Community Colleges (CalSACC).

More than 200 African American community college leaders are expected to attend the weekend conference that features speakers and workshops. This year’s theme is “Sankofa: Honoring our past, celebrating our present, building our future.” “Sankofa” is an Akan (West Africa) word that means “one must go backwards in order to move forward.”

Keynote speakers scheduled for the conference include: California Assembly Member Meryvn Dymally, 52nd District and Chair of the California Legislative Black Caucus; Dr. Rev. J. Alfred Smith, California Community College Board of Governors Member; and Congresswomen Maxine Waters, Representative for the 35th District.

The Black Caucus is a statewide student-run advocacy organization which plans an annual leadership conference at a California community college.

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