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## El Camino College to Sponsor CTE Career Conference

El Camino College will sponsor a CTE (Career & Technical Education) Conference scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 29 targeted toward high school and middle school counselors, faculty, and administrators.

The conference is titled "The Road Less Traveled" and will feature keynote speaker Brian McAllister from "Roadtrip Nation," a public television series and grassroots movement that encourages people to move outside their comfort zone and explore the world. "Roadtrippers" travel the nation in green RVs, sharing their experiences as they define their own roads in life. One of the green RVs will make an appearance at El Camino College for the conference.

In addition, celebrity emcee Carmen de la Paz, host of the HGTV show "Hammer Heads," will be featured at the conference. De la Paz is an interior designer, carpenter and decorative painter and the owner of De La Paz designs. A hands-on designer, De la Paz does all of her own work and is equally handy with a compound miter saw, paintbrush, power drill, router or stone grinder.

Conference participants will learn about El Camino College and ECC Compton Center's academic and support services, including how students can earn college credit in high school and specific CTE career pathways. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Check-in time is 8:30 a.m. at the El Camino College East Patio, outside the Alondra Room.

This conference is organized as part of the SB 70 Community Collaborative and the CTE Teacher Pipeline. One of the goals of the CTE Teacher Pipeline is to raise awareness of CTE as well as highlighting the credentials needed to become CTE teachers.

To register, or for more information, call 310-660-3593, Ext. 3452 or go to http://goo.gl/orivl