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Student Success: El Camino College Celebrates 10th Anniversary of SSTARS

The El Camino College SSTARS (Student Success Transfer and Retention Services) Program will celebrate 10 years of helping students reach their academic goals with the 10th Annual Breakfast Fundraiser set for March 1 in the college's East Dining Room.

The event celebrates the achievements of El Camino College students, while also raising money for student scholarships. El Camino College's 29 support services will also be highlighted at the event, demonstrating how each offers strategies for student retention and ultimately, success. The breakfast will also include a SSTARS Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, which will recognize successful former SSTARS students.

The goals of SSTARS are to improve communication between programs and the community, increase student retention rates and success in college, celebrate student accomplishments, and raise money for the ECC Library Book Depot, scholarships, and other student needs.

Ten years ago, SSTARS was established to support the collaboration, communication and development of services for student success, transfer and retention. From assistance in career counseling and placement to financial aid, all of El Camino College's specialized services are all in one place – with SSTARS.

SSTARS programs include: Admissions and Records, Career Center, Career and Technical Education, Child Development Careers Program, Counseling Services, Extended Opportunity Program and Services/Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs), Financial Aid/Scholarships, First Year Experience/Learning Communities, Foster and Kinship Education – YESS, Honors Transfer Program, International Student Program, Learning Resources Center, Math Study Center, Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement Program (MESA), Matriculation & Student/Enhancement Programs, Outreach & School Relations, Project Success, Puente Project, Seeds Head Start Partnership, Special Resource Center (SRC), Student Athlete Independent Learning (SAIL), Student Development Office, Student Health Center, Supplemental Instruction, CTE Teacher Pipeline, Transfer Center, Writing Center and Computer Lab, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), and Women in Industry and Technology (WIT).

For more information, or to purchase tickets, call 310-660-3593, Ext. 6056, or go to <http://www.elcamino.edu/student-services/co/sstars.asp>.

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