



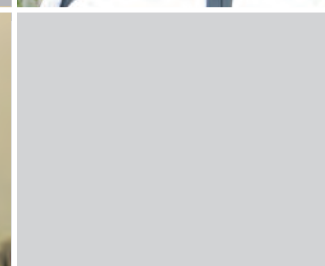
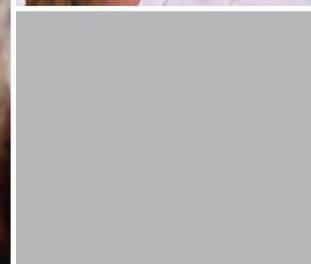
El Camino College Compton Center

FIVE YEARS OF SUCCESS

REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



Every *Student* is a
Success Story



2006-2011



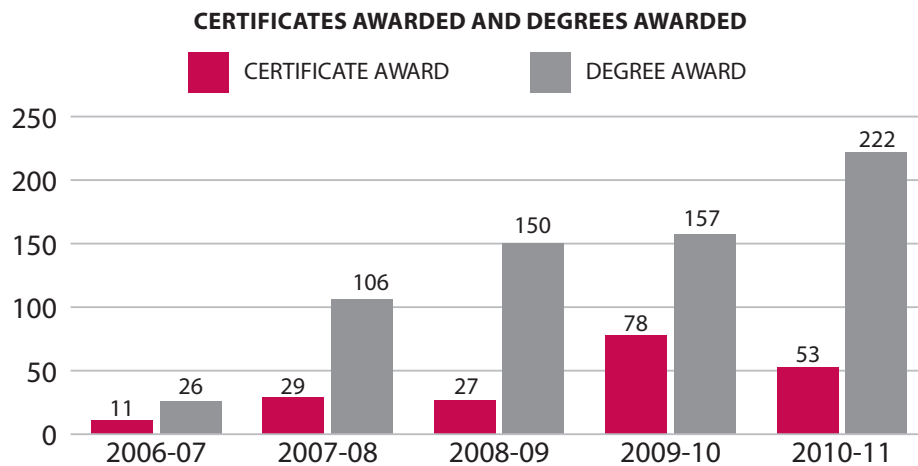
Student Success

In 2006, following the former Compton College's accreditation being revoked, the El Camino Community College District agreed to partner with the Compton Community College District to provide academic programs and student support services.

Student success is central to our mission of meeting the educational needs of our community, a goal achieved by offering quality, comprehensive academic opportunities. Faculty and staff support student success by working together to provide excellence in academic programs and services.

From the Class of 2011, approximately 80 students will transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Of these graduates, 55 will transfer to CSU, six will transfer to UC, and 15 are headed to private/out-of-state colleges and universities.

The number of El Camino College Compton Center students earning degrees has increased more than 700 percent from 2007 to 2011.



"The Transfer Center at El Camino College Compton Center really helped me, from instructing me on what classes to take to encouraging me to go on university tours. They also walked me through the process of filling out college applications."

— **Rashad Lowery**, 2010 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; transferred to the UC Irvine



"FYE and the Transfer Center really helped me and made me feel welcome to ask questions about any concerns that I had regarding college."

— **Rocío Cuevas**, 2011 El Camino Compton Center graduate; will transfer to UC Berkeley

The First Year Experience program is designed to help students new to college find the resources they need to succeed. Students learn how to study independently and in groups; choose a major and create a career plan; as well as access and manage electronic information, such as email, Internet, and library databases.

First Year Experience (FYE) offers

- Early group registration
- FYE bilingual counselor
- FYE faculty
- Field trips to UC, CSU, & private universities
- Guest speakers
- Learning community courses
- Orientation
- Peer mentors
- "Strategies for Success in College" course

Aerospace Fastener Program

The El Camino College Compton Center Aerospace Fastener Program was introduced in fall 2008 as the first college-level training program of its kind in the western United States, quickly becoming a high-demand program with an extensive waiting list.



At El Camino College Compton Center, every student is a success story.

Funding and Grants

Additional revenues have been provided to El Camino College Compton Center in the form of grant awards and other support. Funds have been used to initiate a variety of new academic offerings, while improving existing programs.

Nearly \$1.6 million in grant support has been provided to El Camino College Compton Center since 2006.

During the past five years, additional support was made available to El Camino College Compton Center in the form of invaluable donations of materials and equipment to important programs, such as 20 lap tops for the Mathematics and Natural Science Division from Southern California Edison and tool kits to the Women in Technology program from the Nissan Foundation.

Approximately \$10,000 from the 2010 Title V Mini Grant program was awarded to innovative projects aimed at improving student success.

Several programs benefiting from grant funding include:

• Robotics and Engineering Technology.....	\$ 522,500
• Aerospace Fastener Manufacturing	\$ 375,000
• Career Advancement Academy	\$ 220,000
• Machine Tool Technology	\$ 146,000
• Middle School CTE Outreach.....	\$ 59,000
• Nursing Department: Tutoring/Mentoring Program	\$ 240,000

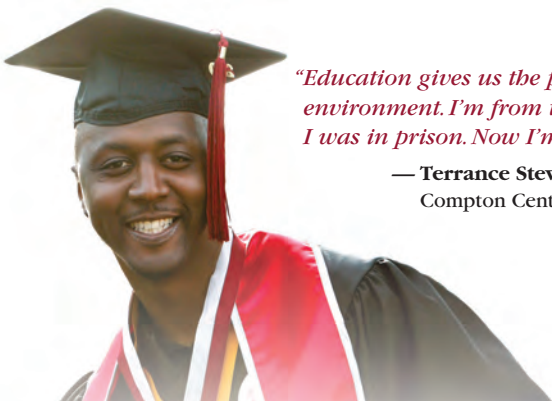
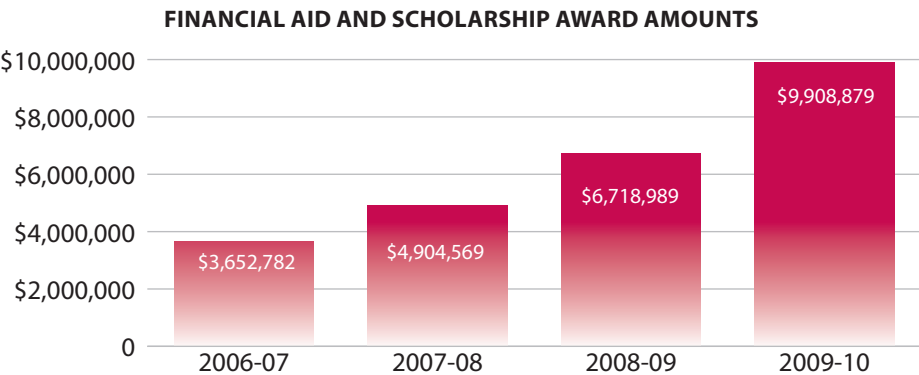
\$ 1,562,500

Awards and Honors

Every student is a success story at El Camino College Compton Center. Student achievements are evident through the various scholarship awards, academic activities, and athletic endeavors.

Nearly 60 El Camino College Compton Center students received scholarships in 2011, for a total of \$46,100.

The ongoing “Need Cash for College?” financial aid awareness campaign has shown positive results. In 2011, 3,244 students submitted Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) forms, a 12 percent increase from the year before. The campaign included workshops, “Cash for College” fairs, and outreach to high school students.



“Education gives us the power to improve our own environment. I’m from the streets — four years ago, I was in prison. Now I’m a student at UC Riverside.”

— **Terrance Stewart**, 2010 El Camino College Compton Center graduate; transferred to UC Riverside



New and Expanded Programs

A main objective of the recovery plan was to initiate a variety of new student programs and expand current offerings. Read on to see how our students demonstrate that our efforts have been successful!

Some academic programs initiated or expanded in last five years:

- First Year Experience
- Career Technical Education: Aerospace Fastener Manufacturing; Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning; Robotics Academy; Women in Industry & Technology
- Supplemental Instruction / Student-led Tutoring
- Summer Math Academy
- Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS) Honor and Scholarship Society
- Nursing Simulation Lab
- *Voices of Compton*, Student Literary Journal
- Transferable College Courses Available at Compton-area High Schools

"I enrolled at El Camino College Compton Center because I realized I needed a strong educational foundation for my career goals. I have two younger sisters — when they see me go to college, hopefully they will feel motivated and confident enough to do the same."

— **Luis Paredes**, El Camino College Compton Center 2010 Valedictorian; transferred to UCLA



Survey Says

In recent surveys conducted by El Camino College Compton Center, 85 percent of students and 71 percent of community members believe an education received at El Camino College Compton Center was as good as or better than at other institutions.

Below is a sampling of official findings from the focus groups:

- El Camino College Compton Center is widely known and appreciated in the community.
- Students who attend El Camino College Compton Center say they believe it to be comparable to other colleges academically. They report relatively high levels of satisfaction with their experience at El Camino College Compton Center.
- Students rated the courses offered, the instructors, and the availability of classes as the top reasons for attending El Camino College Compton Center.



"School has always come in and out of my life until I came to El Camino College Compton Center. It has been challenging to balance homework and home life, but when times get tough I now realize I'm in charge of my own destiny."

— **Maria Rojas**, will transfer to CSUDH or CSULB





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Keeping our Community Informed



Many lines of communication have been established since the 2006 partnership between the El Camino and Compton community college districts. Efforts immediately focused on recruiting students, introducing our central message: El Camino College Compton Center is open, accredited and ready to serve area residents with high-quality academics and student support services.

Communications Objectives

- Introduce El Camino College Compton Center to the communities of the Compton Community College District
- Inform community members about the numerous services, programs and opportunities available at El Camino College Compton Center
- Convey information to our community: high school and community newsletters, postcards, class schedules, website, news releases, social networks, and a mobile website

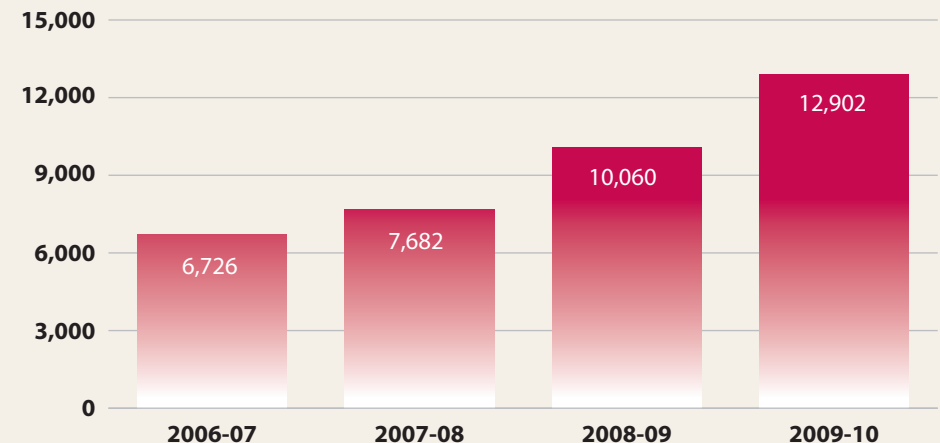
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Enrollment continues to increase at ECC Compton Center

A focus on informing the community about the positive changes at El Camino College Compton Center since the partnership included highlighting the numerous services, academic programs and opportunities available, while rebuilding credibility in order to boost enrollment.



"At El Camino College Compton Center, I took an important step in my life toward success."

— **Monique Harris**, 2011 El Camino College Compton Center Presidential Scholar: will transfer to UC Riverside

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