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# **Message from ASCSM President**

### Welcome Back Bulldogs!

We are excited to start a new semester at CSM. While classes are not 100% back yet, ASCSM would still like to invite you to come up to campus for some food, fun, and music.

On **September 8 and 9, from 11 am to 2 pm**, we will be holding a "Welcome Back Bulldogs" event in front of College Center. There will be give-aways, free food, music, and lawn games. If you would like the opportunity to meet some of your fellow classmates and make new friends, please join us.

Oh, once again, don't forget FREE FOOD!

Also, looking to get involved campus?

At CSM, students have a strong voice on campus to make change through an active and involved student government. That student government, also known as the Associated Students of CSM (ASCSM), is the voice of the student body, providing student input and feedback into the college decision-making process by representing all CSM students. In our current environment, it is more important than ever that the student government has a broad diversity of voices to bring about that change.

Students can get started by joining one of four ASCSM Senate Boards:

- Advocacy Board

  Meeting times TBA. Group will meet in a hybrid fashion
- Cultural Awareness Board

  Meeting times TBA. Group will meet in a hybrid fashion
- **Programming Board**Meeting times TBA. Group will meet in a hybrid fashion
- Public Relations Board

  Meeting times TBA. Group will meet in a hybrid fashion

Descriptions of each Board, along with applications, can be found at: <a href="https://collegeofsanmateo.edu/ascsm/committees.asp">https://collegeofsanmateo.edu/ascsm/committees.asp</a>

You can also join us at our Student Senate, in person (Building 17, room 146) or on zoom, every Monday at 2:15 pm. For more information on student government, clubs, and student life go to <a href="https://www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/ASCSM">www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/ASCSM</a>.

Sincerely,

Andrea Morales - ASCSM Student Body President

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Last day to drop semester-long fall classes with eligibility for fee credit or partial refund Tuesday, August 31

Last day to add semester-long courses using authorization codes on WebSMART

Tuesday, August 31

**Labor Day – No Classes** Monday, September 6

Last day to drop semester-long classes without appearing on student record

Monday, September 6

STAY UP TO DATE WITH CSM STUDENT GOVERNMENT

View ASCSM Agendas & Minutes

### **ASCSM Hosts Welcome Week: September 8 & 9**



# FDA Approves Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration formally approved the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine on August 23rd. Please be reminded that the District is requiring vaccinations for students and employees. Here are a few additional details:

- The District is working diligently to implement the vaccination reporting system for student use. It's expected to be launched in the coming weeks and multiple communications will be sent to students when it becomes available.
- There will still be exemptions for medical and/or religious reasons, but the emergency use authorization exemption will no longer be available.
- Mask wearing is required (with limited exceptions) inside all District facilities, regardless of vaccination status.

## **CSM Services Fall Hours Webpage**

Students can view College services, the format they will be operating in, and open hours on the new Fall Hours webpage. This webpage will be updated regularly as operation hours are adjusted to best serve you.

**Fall Hours** 

# Save the Date: Student Virtual Town Hall

On Tuesday, September 7, from 2–3 pm, a virtual town hall will be held to share information and answer student questions on current College operations.

**Register Now!** 

# DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?



# Virtual Front Desk with a Student Ambassador

Need help adding or dropping classes? Want advice from a peer? Drop in through Zoom to speak with a student ambassador when it's convenient for you.

No appointment necessary Monday-Thursday from 10 am - 6 pm

> Connect with a Student Ambassador

### **Welcome Center**

The Welcome Center is available for assistance with navigating the College. For help or more information on how to access services, we can be reached during in-person operating hours, via Zoom (daily drop-in hour), phone at (650) 574-6175, or text at (650) 793-0215.

Visit the Welcome Center Website

## Districtwide Pop-Up COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

Still need to get your COVID-19 vaccination? <u>Register now</u> for one of these on-campus pop-up clinic. You can also search the San Mateo County Health <u>Vaccine Schedule</u> to view all available sites.

# FREE Drive-Thru COVID-19 VACCINATION

**POP-UP CLINICS** 

TUESDAY

AUGUST 10

AUGUST 10 10 AM - 6 PM CAÑADA COLLEGE

**THURSDAY** 

**AUGUST 12** 10 AM - 6 PM

**SKYLINE COLLEGE** LOT C

FRIDAY

AUGUST 13 10 AM - 6 PM **COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO**Beethoven LOT 2

# REGISTER AT myturn.ca.gov

### **MAKE AN APPOINTMENT!**

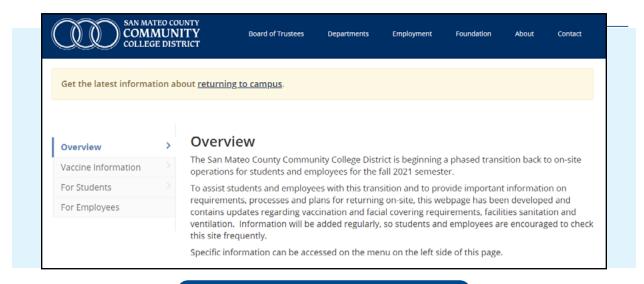
- 1 Visit myturn.ca.gov
- 2 Click on "Make an Appointment"
- 3 When asked for address, enter Cañada College, Skyline College or College of San Mateo

- Open to students, employees, and community members
- Reservation preferred but no one turned down
- Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines will be available
- 12-17 Years Old: parental permission required through registration process
- Face covering required

For more information, visit: bit.ly/freevac21



# Stay Informed: SMCCCD Return to Campus Website



### View the Return to Campus Website

This website provides students and employees with important information on requirements, processes, and plans for returning on-site. In addition, it contains updates regarding vaccination and facial covering requirements, facilities sanitation, and ventilation. Information will be added regularly, so students and employees are encouraged to check the site frequently.

### **CSM Ranked Second Best Community College in the U.S.**



The personal-finance website WalletHub recently released its report on 2021's Best & Worst Community Colleges, coupled with its state-by-state ranking of the Best & Worst Community-College Systems, as well as accompanying videos and commentary.

To determine where students can receive the best education at the cheapest rates, WalletHub compared more than 650 community colleges across 19 key indicators of cost and quality. The data set ranges from the cost of in-state tuition and fees to student-faculty ratio to graduation rate.

College of San Mateo moved up the list of best community colleges from third place in 2020 to second in 2021, beaten only by State Technical College of Missouri.

View full ranking of schools

## **Coming Soon: Annual Family Science Festival**

# Virtual Family Science & Astronomy Festival +Makerspace

Saturday, September 25, 2021 12-9 pm

An annual event that brings the wonders of science to our community through virtual live sessions and recordings!

12-5 pm Planetarium Shows & Science Workshops/Demos3-4 pm Solar Observing/SMCAS (San Mateo County Astronomical Society)

**5-6 pm** Keynote Speaker: Dr. Pablo Sabron

7-9 pm "What's in the Sky Tonight?"/ SMCAS Stargazing

**Anytime** View our on-demand video library



### Keynote: Dr. Pablo Sabron, SETI Institute

Research scientist, Dr. Pablo Sabron, takes us along on his journey to discover life on the Red Planet. Learn about his experience as a member of NASA's Mars 2020/Perseverance Rover Science Team and their mission to seek signs of ancient life on Mars.

Register and view the schedule at: collegeofsanmateo.edu/familyscienceday

Festival Coordinator: Mohsen Janatpour: janatpour@smccd.edu

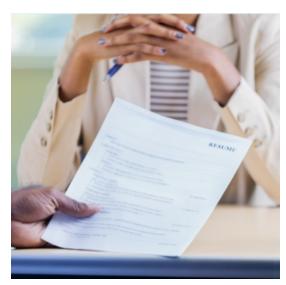
## Looking for a Job or Internship? Check out Jobspeaker!

CSM students are invited to sign up for and browse <u>Jobspeaker</u>, an online job portal that allows you to search for jobs and internships, post resumes, and apply for open positions. If you need assistance with your job search or preparing your resume and cover letter, please contact the Workforce Hub Team - csmworkforcehub@smccd.edu

### Jobspeaker Highlights:

- Accessible 24/7 from your desktop or mobile device.
- Easily view career events and manage your resumes, cover letters, applications, interviews and more – all in one place.
- Save all job listing in one place and quickly rank each job, tracking your progress along the way.
- Create your online profile to promote your skills set, experience and enthusiasm to potential employers.

Sign Up and Browse Jobs Now



#### **Current Job Listings:**

- Environmental Education Internship View on Jobspeaker
- Intern Research, Pharmacology/Biology View on Jobspeaker
- Student Assistant/ASCSM Secretary View on Jobspeaker
- Laboratory Technician <u>View on Jobspeaker</u>

## **Stay Informed: CSM Transfer Services**

CSM's Transfer Services provides a full range of services to students seeking to transfer to a university. Stay up-to-date on all important transfer information for the University of California, California State University, and Private University systems by registering for <u>Transfer eNews</u>, our email newsletter.

Transfer eNews will provide you with email notifications about:

- events
- activities
- · university rep appointments
- transfer club
- workshops/webinars and more!

**Visit Transfer Services Website** 

