



President's Report

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CCA Raises Record-breaking Funds at Annual Scholarship Luncheon

The Community College of Aurora's Annual Scholarship Luncheon, hosted by the CCA Foundation on April 7, raised almost \$200,000. This amount raised was a 46% increase over the previous year as well as a record for this fund-raising event. Added to previous contributions and existing scholarships, the CCA Foundation will be able to award \$600,000 to students this year. Part of the luncheon included a presentation by Ashley Smialek, nursing faculty, on the use of an automatic external defibrillator (AED). John Wolfkill, CCA Foundation Executive Director, noted "the incredible generosity of the 400 community and industry leaders that attended."



CCA Students Attend Graduation Fairs

On April 5th and 6th, the offices of Student Life and Recruitment & Outreach co-hosted graduation fairs at the Lowry and CentreTech Campuses. Almost 300 students attended the fairs to pick up their graduation caps and gowns. Once they arrived, they were greeted by CCA's mascot, Foxy, along with representatives from various student services offices. Students were also able to interact with recruiters from Colorado universities to talk about transfer destinations and eat free street tacos. This event provided an opportunity for students to connect with each other and with staff, while building excitement for CCA's May 7 Commencement Ceremony.



CCA Hosts Annual Camino al Colegio

On April 21, CCA’s Recruitment and Orientation Department hosted Camino al Colegio, a Spanish-only event dedicated to helping students and their families make the right decisions when it comes to their higher-education and professional goals. This event for prospective students included information on financial aid, college advising, and career paths. Free food and drinks were provided to attendees, and information tables were staffed representing CCA student services as well as outside financial services. Following a presentation on CCA and its place in the higher education system, the evening concluded with a raffle drawing.



CCA Students Earn Honorable Mention Delegation Award

CCA students returned from a week at the Model United Nations Conference in New York City on April 10, where they earned the Honorable Mention Delegation Award. The delegation this year represented Botswana, the second African nation assigned to CCA (CCA represented Ethiopia its first year to participate). “We are incredibly proud of the student’s hard work, their tenacity and dedication, and their commitment to global advocacy and human rights,” stated Bobby Pace, Vice President of Academic Success. The students were accompanied by faculty mentors, Elizabeth Hirsh, Stephanie Walsh, and Paul Langston, as well as team leader and head delegate, Stephen VanHulle.