



President's Report

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The Community College of Aurora (CCA) provides high-quality instruction and student support services to Aurora and Denver, Colorado. With a vision to aspire to be a college where every student succeeds, CCA is the most diverse college in the State of Colorado. Focused on creating social and economic mobility for its students, the college offers courses on two (2) campuses, online, and through its high school concurrent-enrollment programs. For more information, visit www.ccaurora.edu.

Transform the student experience

- 80 students at CCA are utilizing Career Advance or Care Forward money for fall 2023.
- CCA doubled the number of ASCENT students on campus.
 - Fall 2022 had 35 ASCENT student and Fall 2023 currently has 71 ASCENT students.
- CCA hosted Halloween Town, a free and safe trick or treat street program offered on the CCA CentreTech Campus, on Tuesday, October 24th. Free costumes, prizes, and treats were provided to over 200 CCA students, families and community members.
- CCA received its SWMP permit and is awaiting erosion inspection on the STEM building. Small earth moving equipment showed up on CenterTech today (11/9), and large equipment should show up and start moving dirt next week.
 - Received 6-month extension waiver on our fire alarm upgrade and server room upgrade controlled maintenance projects
- Realignment within the administrative services division:
 - The reclassification of the Assistant Vice President of Administrative Services position to an Executive Director of Operations/Project manager. Position will provide additional support and leadership for the College's Facilities and Security/Emergency Management departments.
 - Realignment of the the Department of Information Technology into the Division of Academic Success.

- Renamed the Vice President of Administrative Services/CFO to Vice President of Operations/CFO.
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Transform our own work experience

- Accreditation Update. CCA Completed rough draft 3, which involved cutting the document into the word count. Shared with President's Division, Cabinet, and Leadership. Staff, faculty, and instructors may request copies for review. Scheduled nine college-wide accreditation sessions over the next few weeks to share accreditation, Higher Learning Commission, and the work "to this point in time" sessions. To date, these sessions have been well attended by staff, faculty, and instructors interested in learning and knowing about accreditation. Invited a Mock Peer Review Team (3 members) to help the College practice and prepare for Assurance Argument submission and focused visit. Community College of Aurora submits its assurance argument on Monday, February 12. The focused visit is on March 11 and March 12. Higher Learning Commission has assigned and shared the peer team members with CCA.
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Create education without barriers through transformational partnerships

- CCA has launched an adult student recruitment campaign which has already shown good yield. Adult student applications for spring 2024 are up by 143 student and over 70% of all spring applicants are adult learners.
- Office of Institutional Research (OIR) Completed Full Summary Report and Executive Summary for the 2023 Graduate Survey Report. OIR conducted a follow-up survey in the spring of 2023 for those who graduated in AY21-22. CCA contacted 931 graduates through three different types of survey formats, such as online, phone, and email. With the combined efforts, CCA was able to achieve a response rate of 49.1%. Key findings, such as job placement, internships, state licensing exams, continuing education, etc., were reported to the state CTE department in late March for their CTE evaluation and continued Perkins funding. In addition, job placement data for CTE graduates was used in the program review and as evidence for the HLC assurance argument.
- The Office of Student Advocacy held a Sexy Trick or Treat event on October 31st to promote inclusive sexual health resources, consent information, and Sexy Fox Kits (queer inclusive sex health kits). This program coincides with the Division of Student Success's goal to provide proactive and preventative resources to CCA students.
- The Office of Student Leadership & Development alongside New Era provided voter registration and polling site information to the CCA community on 10/24 and 11/07. Other civic engagement promotions included providing transportation to the MLK Jr.

Library for students to participate in voting on 11/07, and an Instagram challenge with the opportunity to win one of six \$50 gift card.

Redefine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence

- In alignment with our Bridge to Bachelors program, CCA Trio SSS and Trio ESL took Trio students to visit four-year institutions to educate them on opportunities to earn a Bachelors degree through transfer. Through partnerships with COSI, Title V, and STEM, they opened the visit up to all CCA Students. The visit to MSU Denver on 10/30 had 20 students attend and the Colorado School of Mines visit on 10/18 had 16 in attendance.
- The Fox LEADS (Leaders Engaged in Action Driven Service) program concluded on 11/06, and successfully trained 12 student leaders. The student leaders will continue in the spring semester to apply the leadership skills learned in fall semester to a service-learning project.
- First-Generation Celebration Conference: The first ever first-generation conference was completed on 11/2 and 11/3. This was a cross-divisional collaboration led by the DEI Division. To aid in the delivery of this event, CCA received an unrestricted grant from NASPA First-Generation Center, a grant from the TRIO ASPIRE regional association, and CCA Student Government Foxy Funds award (along with various contributions from CCA departments). We had more than 175 people in attendance. Staff, faculty, instructors, and community members came together as presenters of breakout sessions as well as to host an Adult Learner & Family Resource fair. The fair featured organizations such as RTD, Ent Credit Union, Aurora Police Department, City of Aurora Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces and City of Aurora Library and Cultural Services, among others. The event was open to the entire CCA community to spend time focusing on one of our largest populations of students, first-generation college students, representing 52% of the CCA students. Attached are some of the highlight photos. One is from a breakout session called "Entering Business Culture with Purpose and Poise" facilitated by CCA Instructor Ruth Marquez. The other is from the Alumni Panel discussion featuring 4 of CCA's former student