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Transform the student experience.

MCC nominated two transfer pathway and two workforce pathway students to be considered for the PTK All-USA Academic Team and related national scholarships. The nominees include Mohamed Ibrahim, Citlaly Quiroz, Cristina Olivo Ortiz, and Anadelia Ortiz Madera. Each was also awarded an institutional scholarship to be used spring semester at MCC.

Members of MCC's Pride Club recently organized a donation fundraiser for SARA House, a local resource that provides services to sexual assault and domestic violence victims. Pride Club members Ayan Hussein, Jeidy Soto, Ana Avila Gonzalez, Paola Cosio, Jannet Penuelas, Lizbeth Ramirez, and Alexandra Benitez created a competition on campus to help bring awareness and increase donations of household goods.



MCC has hired Jon Guilbert to serve as the college's Title III HSI STEM Program Director. Mr. Guilbert will oversee the grant's activity, which focuses on increasing the preparedness, equity, and success of Hispanic and low-income students to obtain STEM degrees. The grant, awarded in September 2021, provides close to \$1 million in funding in year one and has the potential to be renewed for four additional years, for a total of almost \$5 million.



Transform our own workforce experience.

MCC piloted its first "Bring Your Dog to Work" week December 13-17 to enhance the employee experience. Staff and faculty enjoyed having their canine companions on campus.



MCC is continuing its series of “Watercooler Conversations” this semester, focusing on diversity, equity, and inclusion topics for faculty and staff. On Friday, January 21, twenty-three MCC employees watched video simulations that demonstrated the student experience, followed by discussion that promoted increased understanding of “invisible disabilities” and how employees can support students and provide accommodations on campus.

Create education without barriers through transformational partnerships.

The MCC Foundation has rescheduled its Gala fundraising event from February 25 to April 22 due to COVID concerns. The Gala is an annual event that raises significant funds for student scholarships. This year is the first time the event will be expanded to five locations across the college’s service area (Fort Morgan, Bennett, Limon, Burlington, and Wray).

The VFW recently established a \$25k endowment with the MCC Foundation to provide scholarships for veterans.

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

A new MCC alumni program is being developed through the MCC Development Office and Foundation. The Foundation recently expanded its software to include features that will help facilitate the program.

MCC has upgraded its diploma design quality. The new diplomas will be larger and include color, gold foil, embossing, and a first-ever MCC seal.

