May celebrates Asian Pacific Islander Heritage month. API heritage month focuses on immigration from Asian continent as well as pacific islands.

During the month of May SSCCC focused on financial aid and how it impacts students. If you would like to learn how to get students engaged in student government there is also a webinar coming up on the 28th.

Regional officer elections is coming up which is when delegates will elect Region IV's Regional Affairs Director, Vice Chair, Legislative Affairs Director, Communications officer, and Treasurer.

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Why is May Considered Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month?

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month falls in May because May 7th 1843 is when the first Japanese immigrated to the United States. Only a few years later API laborer’s completed through heavy contribution the Transcontinental Railroad. The API community has been strong as time goes on facing many hardships as society evolves.

Q&A from our API community

- Q: "What does API heritage month mean to you?"
  - JG: "API heritage month to me means a lot more than identifying as one. It means the world to me to get the opportunity to showcase the contributions of my ancestors—the culture, history, and so much more—while allowing us to unapologetically take space."

- FS: "So much of my identity has been shaped because of my grandparents’ and parents sacrifice to immigrate to this country, and AAPI allows me to be grateful for that sacrifice."

- Q: How has your experiences in college impacted you?
  - FS: "College has opened more opportunities for me to understand who I am and what I stand for. I learned so much through clubs, organizations and ethic studies courses to shape my identity today."
Get involved

Regional Officer Election
Region IV is seeking students who are interested in serving on the Regional Executive Board. You have a major influence for advocating for students statewide. Engage and participate in discussion for students throughout California. For more information follow this link or contact Director Rumph radregioniv@ssccc.org for further questions or comments.

Advocacy Efforts
We are requesting students to send in a 30 sec to a one min. video sharing their personal story on how financial aid has helped cover basic need cost during college. Please use this link to submit the video or written response. If you have any questions regarding legislation please feel free to reach out to Legislative Affairs Director Acot ladregioniv@ssccc.org

Upcoming meetings & Events
Region IV Meetings:
- Executive Board Meeting:
  Friday, May 27th @ 10:00 AM.
  Zoom Link
- Delegate Assembly & Regional Elections: Monday, May 30th, @ 5:30 PM.
  Zoom Link
SSCCC Events:
- 05/06: Student Body Association Engagement Webinar Series
- 05/17: Financial Aide Webinar

For more information, follow Region IV’s Instagram or click for the SSCC Calendar.
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