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REGION V NEWSLETTER



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- 3. Clovis College
- 4. College of Sequoias
- 5. Fresno City College
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- 9. Porterville College
- 10. Reedley College
- 11. West Hills College -Coalinga
- 12. West Hills College -Lemoore



LETTER FROM THE LAD

Hey, Region V! I hope you all enjoyed your winter break and were able to get some well-deserved rest.

I'm Jerry Reyes, your Legislative Affairs Director and SSCCC Caucus Committee Chair. I'm pursuing a degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Marketing and Entrepreneurship at Reedley College. I'm also the Student Trustee for State Center Community College District and a part of the Reedley College Associated Student Government.

As we dive into the new semester, let's make it a spectacular one! Classes have begun and I trust you're all ready for success, but before we get into what's ahead for Region V, here's a friendly reminder: set those boundaries, manage your time wisely and remember, you're a student first!

The past year was filled with different opportunities and memories such as CCCSAA and Advocacy Academy. Delegate Assemblies continue to meet statewide and for our Region, we are so close to full activation of the 12 colleges. Mark your calendars for March 7th—March in March is our chance to join the SSCCC in legislative visits, advocating for your college and community and after that follows the highly anticipated General Assembly in Santa Clara, California, on April 5-7th. Delegates and SBAs from the 116 California Community Colleges will come together to shape the SSCCC's priorities for the upcoming year as well as electing the 2024-25 SSCCC Board Officers and Regional Officers.

There is a lot to look forward to and I am excited to see how this semester will turn out. Let's stay focused, set those goals and let the excitement build up as we embark on another semester of leadership.

> Best, Jerry Reyes Legislative Affairs Director



MONTHLY FEATURES

Caucus Involvement

Get Involved - Join a Caucus!

Did you know there are more ways to get involved with the SSCCC? Besides serving on the Board of Directors, becoming a Regional Officer or Delegate, you can also be a part of a Caucus!

SSCCC offers a variety of dynamic groups waiting for you to make an impact. From LatinX to Black, Student Trustee to FISI (Formerly Incarcerated, Currently Incarcerated & System Impacted), the options are diverse and if you are interested, you can even start your own group.

By joining a Caucus, you will have the opportunity to be a part of an autonomous group sharing common interests, formally expressing perspectives to the SSCCC. Please visit the SSCCC website's <u>Involvement tab</u> to learn more about Caucuses. For direct inquiries, contact the Caucus Committee Chair, LAD V Jerry Reyes at <u>ladregionv@ssccc.org</u>.

Active Colleges

Delegates of Region V

As of the last delegate assembly Region V currently has 10 out of the 12 colleges active! Listed are the names of the colleges and who are active and inactive.

- 1. Bakersfield College Active
- 2. Cerro Coso Community College Active
- 3. Clovis Community College Active
- 4. College of the Sequoias Active
- 5. Fresno City College Active
- 6. Madera Community College Inactive
- 7. Merced College Active
- 8. Modesto Junior College Active
- 9. Porterville College Inactive
- 10. Reedley College Active
- 11. West Hills College Coalinga Active
- 12. West Hills College Lemoore Active

"Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced."

James Baldwin



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REGION V Highlight

By: RAD Region V

Activation Milestone:

We're thrilled to share that Region V has achieved activation at 10 out of 12 colleges, a significant step towards our collaborative goals and almost to full activation.

Newest Activations:

Exciting news! Fresno City College and Modesto Junior College are now part of our growing network, contributing to the strength of Region V as a whole.

Conference Presence:

RAD Simon has been representing has been actively participating in conferences and events across the regions, showcasing/ representing the central valley and fostering meaningful connections to organizations and legislations.

Upcoming College Visits:

Stay tuned! We're planning visits to other colleges in the region, deepening our collaboration and ensuring all institutions are actively engaged. If you have any college events or upcoming trainings please feel free to reach out to me.

Progress and Success:

Region V is making remarkable progress, exceeding expectations in our collective pursuit of educational excellence. Thanks to our delegates and there colleges for their dedication and hard work!



WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO



Every year, the SSCCC holds a Spring General Assembly in which Delegates representing the 116 California Community Colleges, get together to discuss and vote on matters that affect California Community College students through the resolution process. General Assembly is also an opportunity for delegates to elect the incoming academic year's SSCCC Board Officers. For more information on General Assembly, please visit the <u>ssccc.org</u> website or click on the links below.

RESOLUTIONS PROCESS

Delegates of the General Assembly will vote on resolutions that will establish the priorities for the SSCCC to advocate for into the next academic year.

ELECTIONS PROCESS

- President
- Vice President
- Vice President of Regional Affairs
- Vice President of Legislative Affairs
- Vice President of Finance
- Vice President of Communications

Link to the Resolutions Process

Link to the Elections Process

INTERNAL REGION COMMITTEES

PLEASE REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Meets @ 3:30pm

- March 9th
- April 13th
- May 18th

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

Meets @ 6pm

- March 16th
- April 20th
- May 18th

REGION V GOOGLE DRIVE

<u>Click here to find all</u> <u>meeting materials can be</u> <u>found in the Google Drive.</u>

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