

REGION V

NEWSLETTER



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Region V Colleges

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



LETTER FROM REGION V'S RAD

Dear Region V!

As we welcome the arrival of spring, I wanted to take a moment to update you on the latest happenings in Region V.

First and foremost, I am pleased to report that our region continues to make significant progress in its strive for representation. Our delegate activation has remained at eight delegates, however we have found delegates for each college within our region. Our executive board is working hard to reach that full activation, but I wanted to commend the delegates for their hard work in staying active within our region. This is a testament to the hard work and dedication that the Central Valley represents, as we begin to continue to grow in the upcoming months.

I am also excited to celebrate Women's History Month! This month, we honor the contributions and achievements of women throughout history and recognize their invaluable role in shaping our world. Since the dawn of civilization, women have played an essential role in society, yet their contributions have often gone unrecognized. Women's History Month gives us an opportunity to acknowledge the incredible women who have broken barriers, challenged norms, and inspired generations.

From activists to scientists, artists to entrepreneurs, women have left an indelible mark on history. I wanted to highlight some of these strong women beginning with Susan B. Anthony, who fought tirelessly for women's suffrage in the United States and played a critical role in securing women's right to vote. Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a trailblazing Supreme Court Justice who dedicated her life to fighting for gender equality and women's rights. Marie Curie, the first woman to win a Nobel Prize and a pioneering scientist whose groundbreaking work in radioactivity transformed the field of chemistry. And lastly, Malala Yousafzai, who has become a global advocate for girls' education and the youngest-ever Nobel Peace Prize laureate.



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I also wanted to take this opportunity to recognize and celebrate the incredible women within our own community. From our colleagues and friends to our mothers, sisters, and daughters. The women in our lives inspire us every day and make our world a better place.

So this March, let's celebrate Women's History Month by uplifting and supporting women everywhere. Let's strive to create a more equitable world where all women have the opportunity to thrive.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and I look forward to working with you all to continue making our region a wonderful place to live, work, and play.

Thanks a bunch,
Aaron Villarreal
Regional Affairs Director



MONTHLY FEATURES

ACTIVE COLLEGES

Delegates of Region V

As of the last delegate assembly Region V currently has 8 out of the 12 colleges active!

1. Bakersfield College
2. Clovis Community College
3. Madera Community College
4. Merced College
5. Porterville College
6. Reedley College
7. West Hills College - Coalinga
8. West Hills College - Lemoore

MEET THE REGION V EXECUTIVE BOARD



AARON VILLARREAL

Position Name: **Regional Affairs Director**

College: **West Hills College Lemoore**

Hello all! If you do not know me, I serve as a Student Trustee, an Associated Student Government President, and a Board member for the SSCCC. I have served in this organization for over a year and I absolutely love it. The advocacy, the change, and the beneficial influence we help make for California community colleges is amazing. I cannot wait to help host our General Assembly event and meet all of you. I will be transferring this upcoming semester to either UC Berkeley or CSU Monterey Bay. I am excited for my future and wish my term could be served longer in the SSCCC. Some of my favorite hobbies include film photography, road trips & traveling, and making memories with the people I love. Have a great rest of your day! Hope to see you at General Assembly!



MONTHLY FEATURES



ABRAHAM DARWISH

Position Name: **Legislative Affairs Director**
College: **Clovis Community College**

Abraham, an intern with Congressman Jim Costa and the Honorable Judge Alvin Harrell, aspires to transcend his academic endeavors in international relations. His dream is to transfer to a private university, where he can delve deeper into the study of global politics and economic development.



JOSH SIMON

Position Name: **Vice Chair**
College: **West Hills College Lemoore**

I'm representing Student Senate of California Community Colleges as a Vice Chair for Region V! I'm also the Vice President for the Associated Student Government at West Hills College Lemoore! While being full time with my classes I'm also being a student ambassador for my college and for on/off campus resources!



JERRY REYES

Position Name: **Communications Officer**
College: **Reedley College**

Hello everyone, I am the newest member of the Region V Executive Board as your Communications Officer! I'm a first generation student studying Business Administration at Reedley College. I've enjoyed being a part of Student Government and in my time I've held the position of Senator, President and currently the Inter-Club Council President. I'm interested in entrepreneurship and starting and/or helping a non-profit organization in the future. I'm passionate about helping others and the community by creating a positive environment for everyone around me. I live by the following quote, "with great power comes great responsibility," because when you have the ability to do something, you do it for the good of others.

COLLEGE EVENTS IN THE REGION

TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING
AROUND THE REGION!

Saint Patrick's Day Campus Mixer

Date: March 17th

Time: 7:00-11:00PM

Location: Student Center

The Reedley College Associated Student Government is hosting a Saint Patrick's Day Campus Mixer. There will be music and entertainment as well as food provided for students in attendance.

Women in Politics

Lunch n' Learn Event hosted by Porterville College

Date: March 29, 2023,

Time: 11:00AM-12:00 PM

Location: PC Forum

Women in various industries from our community will join us to celebrate Women's History Month by sharing their experiences with Students, Staff, and Faculty throughout the month.



WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO



SSCCC GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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 ssccc.org 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.

[Link to the Resolutions Process](#)

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 Elections Process](#)

INTERNAL REGION COMMITTEES

PLEASE REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Meets @ 4pm

March 9th
April 13th
May 18th

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY

Meets @ 6pm

March 16th
April 20th
May 18th

REGION V GOOGLE DRIVE

[Click here to find all meeting materials can be found in the Google Drive.](#)

Point of Contact

- Executive (radregionv@sccc.org)
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- Finance Committee (treasurerregionv@sccc.org)
- Communications Committee (comsregionv@sccc.org)
- Delegate Assembly (radregionv@sccc.org)