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Dear SBCCD community:

Scientists, health care professionals, and other leaders locally and around the world have been responding to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). Recently, three individuals in San Bernardino County have tested positive for the virus. They are very much in our minds, and we join you in wishing them a complete and speedy recovery.

Today, our educational mission and our community service are more important than ever, and so we want to share information with you about new steps we are taking to operate effectively with your well-being in mind. Read more >>

#### **Spring 2000 Online Classes**

- No classes March 16-29, 2020.
- Classes resume online March 30, 2020.
- If your class was scheduled to begin this week, it will begin next week.
   Look out for information from your instructor.
- Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, most classes this semester will be taught
  - online or remotely. If your class requires an on-campus meeting, you will be contacted. Events and group activities on campus are suspended until May 22, until further notice.
- The status of Commencement 2020 is still being determined and will be announced soon!
- · Campus is closed to the public until May 22.
- Questions? Email us at info@valleycollege.edu

## **California Community Colleges COVID-19 Update**

The impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak continues to evolve rapidly

### Announcements



Welcome back! Video message from your college leadership team. Watch it >>



**Corona Virus (COVID-19)** - Stay healthty and informed. Find facts and resources about the virus: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a>



A few spring classes are still open. Check out the full list. <u>Click here</u> to view open spring classes.



Sunner and Fall 2020 registration begins Monday, April 13th. Check <u>WebAdvisor</u> for your priority registration date.

# **ONSITE SUPPORT**

In response to the COVID-19 emergency:

<u>SBVC Library hours will be limited to:</u> Tuesday & Wednesday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM Open ONLY to currently enrolled SBVC students.

<u>Valley 360 Resource Center (Food Pantry)</u> Tuesday & Wednesday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm



Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction (SI) will still be available to students when campus goes online. More information >>

throughout our state and the world. During this public health emergency, the California Community Colleges' number one priority is to ensure the safety of all of our students and staff across our 115 colleges. Learn more about what we're doing to support our colleges, convert from in-person classes to an online environment and hear valuable tips from community college nursing students on how you can protect yourself and others.



California Community Colleges: Our Response to COVID-19 and Health Tips on How to Protect Against It

#### **Campus Effort Aims to Help Students Achieve College Readiness**

San Bernardino Valley College is moving forward on AB705, recent state legislation that aims to get students through their coursework more efficiently and onto their career paths faster than ever before. Under the newly-implemented legislation, SBVC serves more students entering community college with access to transfer-level courses in math and English, reducing the need for remediation classes.



Students are no longer required to take placement tests and can jump right into the college-level courses. But this is not a one-size-fits-all approach. Some students may need extra help, which is also available. Dr. Stephanie Lewis, Dean of Mathematics, Business and Computer Technology, said that from an equity standpoint, students will benefit by going straight into the transfer-level coursework. However, struggling students will have the right to access remediation help. "It gives us an opportunity to rethink and re-imagine the ways we deliver programs to students to optimize their learning experience." Congratulations, SBVC!

#### **How Soap Kills Coronavirus**

As COVID-19 cases in the US surge, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends washing hands with soap and water as the top way to clean our hands and to stop the spread of the virus. Soap destroys the coronavirus.



How soap kills the coronavirus

#### 1st Anniversary of The Free College Promise

March 2020 marked the first anniversary of The Free College Promise at the San Bernardino Community College District. This innovative initiative is transforming our community's economic future by placing higher education and career training within

# On Campus and Community Resources

On campus and off campus resources programs that can help students during these trying times. More information >>



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Empire KVCR is now offering students, families and teachers programming aligned to California's state curriculum on TV Channel 24 and kvcr.org/education .

More information >>





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reach of local hard-working students. The Free College Promise offers two years of free tuition and textbooks, and student support to full-time students, starting with the high school graduating class of 2019.

#### By the numbers:

- 1,700 students are currently benefiting from The Free College Promise at Crafton Hills College and San Bernardino Valley College
- 1,309 students are low-income
- 748 students will be the first in their family to achieve a college education
- 1,116 stiare preparing to transfer to a four-year university
- 17% increase in overall academic success in college-level courses
- Top five high schools with the highest number of enrolled students: Rialto, Pacific, Cajon, San Gorgonio, and Arroyo

## **SBVC Program Highlights**



#### **The SBVC Promise Program**

The Free College Promise supports local high school graduates, starting with the Class of 2019, to attend full-time at Crafton Hills College and San Bernardino Valley College and finish in two years. In addition to two years of free tuition, SBCCD Promise students also receive: Free textbooks, cash aid for education-related expenses, free access to a laptop, priority class registration, individualized student support and counseling, and opportunity for paid work experience.



#### The Guardian Scholar Program

The Guardian Scholars Program provides supportive services to current and former foster youth students attending SBVC. The service is designed to provide assistance and support to students with educational goals and practical day-today needs to ensure that full advantage is taken of college life, both inside and outside classroom. There are currently 80 students in the program and they are doing extremely well academically.

#### New Flash !!!



What the future will look like for work, colleges

"The world is changing rapidly," says Thomas Frey, who is founder and executive director of the Colorado-based DaVinci Institute. "Ten years from now, education is going to look radically different. It might not feel like it, but we're in the midst of a huge transition." Read more >>



Nursing students are eager to answer California's call to help stop Coronavirus spread

Gov. Gavin Newsom called for an increase in the number of fourth-year medical and nursing students in the state's workforce to help meet the anticipated surge in coronavirus cases expected over the next eight to 12 weeks. Read more >>

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San Bernardino Valley College maintains a culture of continuous improvement and a commitment to provide high-quality education, innovative instruction, and services to a diverse community of learners. Its mission is to prepare students for transfer to four-year universities, to enter the workforce by earning applied degrees and certificates, to foster economic growth and global competitiveness through workforce development, and to improve the quality of life in the Inland Empire and beyond.

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