



President's Update October 15, 2019

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Farewell & Thank You

Patrick Sweeney, our Director of Maintenance and Operations (M&O), will be leaving us for a position in Arizona. Pat's last day is Wednesday, October 16th. He has done a tremendous job leading efforts to professionalize our maintenance and operations department. Under his leadership, our M&O staff make our campus look and feel beautiful, and he will most certainly be missed. We have advertised for his replacement and will recruit until we find a qualified candidate. In the meantime, M&O will report to me.

Chris Hawken, our Associate Dean of Athletics and Kinesiology (also Athletic Director), will also be leaving us for a position at another community college. Chris' last working day on campus will be Friday, October 18th. We plan to run an in-house search for an interim Athletic Director and intend to run a search for a permanent position in spring for the 2020-21 academic year.

Please join us for cake and coffee on 10/16 at 8:15 a.m. in the Student Union to wish Pat and Chris farewell and good luck.

WHCL North Star

#WHCLStrong—Stay Strong



Our research shows that students don't always know what services are available to them. In an effort to bring that information to students, Student Services and the Workforce Internship Network (WIN) Center are offering [Stay Strong Workshops](#) that can be offered in class. Faculty who are interested in scheduling a workshop should submit requests to the WIN via the information on the attached flyer.



Congratulations to Us!

West Hills College Lemoore (WHCL) was recognized by the Campaign for College Opportunity in their report, "Getting There: Are Community Colleges maximizing Student Completion of Transfer-Level Math and English?" WHCL is listed in the top seven California community colleges to offer more than 90% of our introductory math and English course offerings at transfer level. I anticipate that we'll be even higher next year. [Click here](#) to read the full report.

STRONG IMPLEMENTERS IN MATH AND ENGLISH

In the three regions studied, only seven of 47 colleges are strong implementers in both math and English, with 90 to 100 percent of introductory sections at the transfer level and fewer than 10 percent in below-transfer remedial courses.

Table 2. Strong Implementers in Math and English

Transfer-level sections account for more than 90% of introductory course offerings at seven colleges across the regions.

College	% Transfer-Level Math	% Transfer-Level English
Pasadena City	100%	100%
Porterville	100%	100%
Reedley	98%	98%
West Hills - Lemoore	96%	100%
College of the Sequoias	93%	100%
Victor Valley	91%	95%
Citrus	90%	97%

Source: Individual College Course Schedules

STRONG IMPLEMENTERS IN ENGLISH

At an additional 13 colleges, 90 to 100 percent of introductory sections are at the transfer level in English, but not in math. None of the colleges studied is a strong implementer in just math.

Table 3. Strong Implementers in English Only

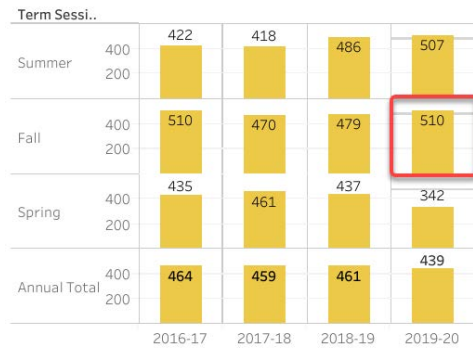
Transfer-level English courses account for 90% of introductory course-sections at 13 colleges.

College	% Transfer-Level English
College of the Canyons	100%
Clovis	100%
Columbia	100%
LA Valley	100%
West Hills - Coalinga	100%
Bakersfield	97%
Barstow	96%
Mt. San Jacinto	96%
Merced	95%
San Joaquin Delta	95%
Santa Monica	94%
LA Mission	93%
Riverside	92%

Source: Individual College Course Schedules

Enrollment Update

We continue to put our vision of a *Relentless Pursuit of Student Success* in to action. WHCL’s **efficiency** target for 2019-20 is 470-490. As of October 13, we are at **510 for fall 2019!**



We’re at 84.6% of our annual enrollment target and our efficiency is at 342 for spring so we need to keep the momentum going to increase enrollment in the spring 2020 semester.

Great work helping students Get Strong and Start Strong!

Campus Information & Updates

Reminder--WHCL’s New Communication Tool

Per our new [communication guidelines](#), all announcements about campus events, are now posted in the [WHCL Campus Events & Announcements](#) Microsoft team site. You can opt in to the team by launching the Microsoft Team application on your desktop or mobile device. If you’re not familiar with Microsoft Teams, you can review the [Quick Start Guide](#).



Save the Date—President’s Forum

The next **Presidents Forum** is scheduled on Wednesday, November 20 (Noon – 1 p.m. in Conf. Rm. 253). Everyone is invited to attend. If you would like to suggest a topic for discussion, please contact the president’s office.



Halloween Throw Down

Mark Your Calendars & [Click Here](#) to submit the form to take part in the decorating contest. On October 31st, areas that participate will host children from our Child Development Center for Trick or Treating. We will also have a potluck at noon in the Eagle Training Room. More information can be found on the WHCL Campus Events and Announcements team site.



Halloween 2019 Throwdown

WHAT: Office decorating and costume competition

WHERE: Areas may include multiple departments.

WHEN: Decorating 10/1 through 10/30
Judging on 10/31 10:00am – 11:30am
Trick or Treaters come through in the 9:30-10:30am and 1:00-2:00pm
Treats not allowed – super scary items, candy, small items that may provoke choking.

WHY: TO WIN THE GOLDEN BROOM

RULES:

1. Office area must be designated via <http://bit.ly/WHCLBOO>
2. The following items are not allowed:
 - o Animal (alive or otherwise, including babies)
 - o Fog Machines
 - o Anything that is extraordinarily messy or loud

SCORING: Adherence to Theme, Costumes and Atmosphere, and Performance (while the judges are present, sing/dance/act according to theme)

HALLOWEEN POTLUCK
NOON on October 31 - Room 902

Winner of the HALLOWEEN THROWDOWN announced
Bring your SPOOKIEST Snacks to share
Check out Halloween Costumes from across campus
Awards for the best costumes

A Season for Giving



Let's Give Thanks & Fight Hunger!

This year I invite you to join us in supporting our efforts to eliminate food insecurities. We have initiated a campaign to help fight hunger and spread some holiday cheer.

For every \$5.00 donation, a meal will be provided for a student in need. Any donation you can make is greatly appreciated!

[Click here to donate online to the campaign](#)

In order to make sure the funds go to the WHCL Fight Hunger Campaign, please follow the instructions below:

Click on the “Make a Donation” button then type “**WHCL Fight Hunger Campaign**” in the special instructions box.

Donate to
West Hills Community College Foundation
Purpose: WHCC Foundation

\$50.00
USD

Make this a monthly donation ?

Special instructions to WHC Foundation:

Click here



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WHCL Fight Hunger Campaign

Type
"WHCL
Fight"



Thanksgiving Feast



Please mark your calendars and save the date to attend the **WHCL Thanksgiving Potluck** on **November 19th** from **12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.** in the **Eagle Training Room# 902**.

Turkey will be served compliments of Vel's Café and we ask those that would like to participate to bring a favorite dish to share.

Please [click here](#) to indicate what you will bring.

Campus Safety & Emergency Preparedness

Shake Out

WHCL will participate in the annual earthquake drill—the Great California Shake Out—on **October 17, 2019 at 10:17 a.m.** Please mark your calendars and make sure that your profile includes your cell phone so that you receive emergency text messages (log in to Self Service through the WHCCD Portal to update your contact information). Immediately after the drill, the WHCL Incident Command System (ICS) Team will conduct a table top exercise to test our earthquake emergency response.



*As always, thank you for embracing our **relentless pursuit of student success.***

STAY STRONG! #WHCLStrong