

# REGION IX NEWSLETTER

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## This Month's Announcements

Early registration for Advocacy Academy closes on 9/14!

Register to join us in Riverside for the Advocacy Academy 2025 and Federal Advocacy Academy 2026 in Washington D.C..

Region IX is currently looking for students to participate in our "We Are The Voice" Social media campaign. If you are interested in participating, please email our communications officer, Nikki Baugh, or our Regional Affairs Director, Valerie Pamphile expressing interest.

If you would like us to come to your school to table an event, present to your SBA, or for a collaboration, please contact your Regional Affairs Director expressing interest.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Board of Directors meeting  
September 13, 2025 10 a.m.  
San Diego

### **SSCCC Executive Committee Meeting**

Date and time: TBD  
Location: TBD

### **Caucus Committee Meeting**

Date and Time: TBD  
Location: TBD

### **Advocacy Academy Registration**

December 5-7, 2025  
Marriott Riverside at the  
Convention Center



## REGION IX COLLEGES

Barstow College	Chaffey College	College of the Desert	Copper Mountain College	Crafton Hills College	Moreno Valley College
Mt. San Jacinto College	Norco College	Palo Verde College	Riverside City College	San Bernardino Valley College	Victor Valley College

# LETTER FROM THE RAD

*Valerie Pamphile*

## STUDENT SENATE FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES



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Hey Hey Region IX,

As we step into a new month, I want to share with you my vision and initiatives for our region. My focus is on building stronger connections, creating more opportunities for training, and ensuring every student voice is represented across all 12 colleges.

Over the coming months, I intend to:

- Visit every campus in Region IX in person with my team to connect directly with student leaders, hear your concerns, and provide support.
- Host governance trainings tailored for our colleges, including Robert's Rules of Order, Brown Act compliance, and leadership development. If your SBA/ASG, campus would like training, please reach out, I want to bring resources directly to you.
- Continue pushing for 100% delegate verification so that every college in Region IX has a strong and active voice at the table.
- Strengthen collaboration by improving communication channels between our Regional Board, Executive Officers, and Student Intern, ensuring timely responses and accountability.
- Highlight the work of our colleges and leaders through the Region IX Newsletter, so that we can celebrate successes and share knowledge across the region.



My purpose is to serve and support each of you. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me personally if there are questions I can answer or areas where I can assist. Together, we can create a stronger, more unified Region IX.

Our region is strongest when every voice is heard. Let's continue to rise together.

*In service,*

*Valerie Pamphile*  
*Regional Affairs Director*



# ACTIVATED COLLEGES

## *Region IX*

As of August 18, 2025, Region IX has activated 4 out of 12 colleges! Listed are the names of the delegates and their respective college.

**Katheren Rodriguez, Barstow Community College**

**Valeria Chavez, Chaffey College**

**Letiesha Williams, Riverside City College**

**DeAnn Fulton, Victor Valley College**



We would also like to give a special “thank you” to our new delegates who were diligent! Thank you for joining us, we’re excited to have you!



# CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT



*This Month's Spotlight...*

## **Mt. San Jacinto College**

I think SSCCC is fantastic resource for information, networking, and leadership development. It is great way to get connected to other colleges in our area and share ideas with one another. Additionally, the conferences that I have attended through SSCCC have always had great workshops that helped me hone in my skills as student leader. I've definitely found a supportive community with other leaders throughout the state this past year.

The student voice is not just important, it's integral. Students are at the center of the college system, not to mention its primary demographic, and it is so important for us to use our voices to lead the conversation on change and growth in our respective campuses. As Student Trustee, one of my goals this year is to help amplify student voices across the district. We all have reasons for why we are pursuing higher education, and I want to help encourage students to share their stories and inspire future generations of MSJC Eagles.



**Claudia Walukouw,**  
**Student Trustee**

One of the things we focused last year was figuring out how to better represent and address student needs across the district. We have three main campus locations and each one has its own campus-culture, and we saw an opportunity to improve student engagement by essentially re-hauling our SGA structure. Our

legislature was previously designed to be district-wide, where students from all three campuses came together for weekly meetings. With the new structure, however, we now have a separate board for each campus. We hope that it will help with creating events which are better tailored to the individual campuses, as well as promote engagement for students who may only be able to attend one specific location.

This restructure has been in the works for a while, and we were really excited when it passed both in meeting and in the special elections.



# OPPORTUNITIES

*Get Involved!*

## **BECOME A DELEGATE!**

Represent your college at the regional and state level by serving as a Region IX Delegate. You'll vote on important issues, contribute to student-centered resolutions, and help shape the future of California Community Colleges through meaningful advocacy and leadership.

[Apply here](#)

## **JOIN A STUDENT CAUCUS!**

Passionate about issues like equity, sustainability, or basic needs? Student caucuses bring together voices across the state to advocate for change and foster community. There's a caucus for everyone, get involved and help lead the conversations that matter most.

[Apply here](#)

## **FORM A STUDENT CAUCUS!**

Do you have a strong passion for a certain issue that is not being properly advocated for? Form a Student Caucus! A caucus is a lobbying group that brings together likeminded individuals to spread awareness and fight for a certain topic.

[Apply here](#)





# THANK YOU FOR READING!

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### Region IX Executive Board Meeting

September 24 at 3pm  
Zoom Teleconference

Contact [radregionix@ssccc.org](mailto:radregionix@ssccc.org)  
for more information.

### Delegate Assembly

September 23 at 5pm  
Zoom Teleconference

Contact [radregionix@ssccc.org](mailto:radregionix@ssccc.org)  
for more information.

### Region IX Summit

Details TBD

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