

# REGION IX NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2025 EDITION



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the 2025-2026 term!

As the semester begins, we're happy to keep you updated on the latest news, opportunities, and upcoming events throughout the year.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### The Alliance Student Parent Summit

September 10, 2025  
San Luis Obispo, CA

### Advocacy Academy

December 5-7, 2025  
Riverside Convention Center  
Riverside, CA

### Federal Advocacy

March 1-4, 2026  
Washington Marriott Georgetown  
Washington D.C.

## 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 REGIONAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR

*Valerie Pamphile*

Dear Region IX Delegates, Student Leaders, and Advocates,

On behalf of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC), it is my honor to welcome you to Region IX. Together, we represent a powerful and diverse community of students across our colleges, and your leadership is the voice that ensures our needs, challenges, and aspirations are heard.

Region IX is more than a geographic designation -it is a collective of students working to uplift each other, advocate for equity, and shape a brighter future for all community college students in California. As members of this region, you bring forward not just your voices, but the stories and struggles of your peers, and that responsibility is both a privilege and a call to action.

In the months ahead, Region IX will continue to:

- Build stronger connections between our campuses
- Address issues that directly impact student success and equity
- Amplify student voices in statewide and local conversations

Your participation is vital. Whether you are a seasoned leader or just stepping into this work, your perspective matters and will shape the direction we take together. I encourage you to stay engaged, ask questions, and share your ideas.

Thank you for your commitment to advocacy, equity, and student empowerment. I look forward to working alongside each of you as we move Region IX forward together.

In Advocacy, Unity, and Service

*Valerie Pamphile*

*Regional Affairs Director*



# ACTIVATED COLLEGES

*Region IX*

As of August 17, 2025, Region IX has activated 2 out of 12 colleges! We'd like to give a special "thank you" to our new delegates, Valeria Chavez and Letiesha Williams, who have recently joined us. We are excited to have them on the team and look forward to this term together.



***Valeria Chavez***  
**Chaffey College**



***Letiesha Williams***  
**Riverside City College**



# CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT

*Chaffey College*



## Matthew Caddell

*Student Government  
President / Trustee*

*Rising Scholar*

Our student government has partners with student life staff to create diverse and equitable campus events, which allow us to focus on advocacy. Recent achievements include funding a continued scholarship endowment and passing the first General Assembly resolution in eight years for student athletes.

We also address issues like support for undocumented students, academic integrity with AI, and basic needs for students from diverse backgrounds. With the Chaffey Activities Team (CAT), student life hosts weekly events, workshops, and games throughout the academic year.

Coming up in September is our 9+1 Rights Event, a town hall where students leaders will inform students of their rights and provide a platform to share concerns--supported by one of the largest student senates in California with 43 members.

The Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) remains a vital tool for student advocacy, giving us a stronger voice statewide.



# OPPORTUNITIES

## 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](#)



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