FIRST FRIDAY UPDATE
for the Chief Instructional Officers
November 2015

BASIC SKILLS/ESL
LeBaron Woodyard/Eric Nelson
A $60 Million Request For Applications (RFA) for the Community College Basic Skills and Student Outcomes Transformation Program (Ed Code §88800-88810) and a $10 Million RFA for the Basic Skills Partnership Pilot Program (Ed §Code 88700) are under development and will be released in December 2015.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PILOT PROGRAM
Jackie Escajeda/Njeri Griffin
Currently, a workgroup is developing a handbook that will be used to assist the 15 pilot colleges with the implementation of their programs. A draft of the handbook will go to Consultation Council on November 19, and then to the Board of Governors in January 2016 as a first read. A Request for Application in the amount of $750,000 for the purpose of statewide implementation and professional development of the Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program will be selected by November 30, 2015, and will go before the Board of Governors for approval at the January meeting.

NONCREDIT
CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND COLLEGE PREPARATION (CDCP) PROGRAMS
Chantée Guiney
The Chancellor’s Office will conduct informative presentations on current policies, trends, and technical requirements surrounding Career Development and College Preparation (CDCP) noncredit programs at the ASCCC Fall 2015 Curriculum Regional meetings taking place November 13, 2015 at Solano Community College and November 14, 2015, at Mt. San Antonio College. Send a team of noncredit curriculum practitioners to obtain information to develop CDCP programs on your campus.

INMATE EDUCATION
BJ Snowden/Leslie LeBlanc
In partnership with Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) and the Academic Senate of California Community Colleges, the statewide Inmate and Reentry Education -- Building a Pipeline to Success Summit is scheduled for December 7-8, 2015, at the Hilton Arden west in Sacramento, CA. Registration information is available at:  http://www3.canyons.edu/Offices/IEPI/workshops.html#dec7

UMOJA
Debbie Velasquez
The Umoja XI Conference will be held on November 6-7, 2015, at the Oakland City Center Marriott, located at 1001 Broadway, Oakland, CA.
DUAL ENROLLMENT
Debbie Velasquez
The Dual Enrollment Advisory Committee met on October 22. The committee detailed the nature and scope of the project and outlined components and information to be included in the Toolkit that is being developed. It is anticipated that the first phase of the Toolkit will be completed in the December/January timeframe. The Chancellor’s Office will send out an advisory on AB 288 (Holden, 2015) before the year’s end.

SURVEY OF COURSES STUDENTS ARE AWARDED CREDIT FOR PRIOR MILITARY EXPERIENCE
Chantée Guiney
In response to AB 2462 (Block, 2012) and provisions established under section 66025.7 of the California Education Code, the Chancellor’s Office is in the process of surveying the Community College System to identify courses students are awarded credit for prior military experience. On November 3, 2015, the Academic Affairs Division released memorandum #AA 15-30 (via email) to college Admissions Officers and Registrars, containing a hyperlink to access the survey, which is due by Tuesday, November 10, 2015. Please contact Chantée Guiney, at cguiney@cccco.edu, if assistance is needed.

MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL
Debbie Velasquez
Congratulations to our three Middle College High Schools (MCHS) recognized in the 2015 National Blue Ribbon Schools, which was based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups: Academy of the Canyons, Middle College High School–Santa Ana College, and Middle College High School at San Joaquin Delta College.

APPRENTICESHIP
Yvonne Lopez
Apprenticeship builds a healthy economy; California is the #8 largest in the world! Now is a great time to CREATE NEW and/or REJUVINATE existing or inactive apprenticeship programs utilizing $15 million from the California Apprenticeship Initiative 2015-16 funds. Please contact John Dunn, Apprenticeship Coordinator, at jdunn@cccco.edu and Yvonne Lopez, Apprenticeship Credit Course & Program Approval Liaison, at vlopez@cccco.edu.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGES FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
Debbie Velasquez
California Colleges for International Education’s (CCIE) Annual meeting is set for November 19, 2015, taking place at the CCLC Conference, Hyatt Regency, SFO Burlingame, from 9 am until noon.