



President's Communiqué

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Accreditation – Day One

Greetings Foothill,

The accreditation visiting team is finally here! We gave them a warm welcome reception this morning.



Dean **Kurt Hueg** giving a tour to some members, while others went to interview our Central Services team.

The group of 14 colleagues arrived Sunday night at a local hotel, and will be here until Thursday afternoon. They are situated in the Toyon room. The team members have been and will continue to interview students, faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees at various locations. If you see members of the visiting team, please come up and say hi. They are wearing lanyards with name badges like this one:



Tomorrow, some of the team members will visit the Sunnyvale Center. Also tomorrow at Hearthsides Lounge (6 pm – 7 pm) is the accreditation open forum for those interested in asking the team questions.

The team members are asking a lot of questions – as they should. Some of you may have been asked

recently to speak with the team members. Please be available and brush up on the issues by reviewing the accreditation evaluation report (<https://foothill.edu/accreditation/documents.html>). If you have any questions, please contact Dr. **Andrew LaManque**.

As we welcome colleagues from around the state, we are also reminded of the devastating impact of the Santa Rosa fire on our colleagues. Three of our campus police officers are also directly affected. As Campus Police Chief **Ron Levine** reported:

*"The fires in the North Bay have impacted our FHDA Police family. Unfortunately, officers and their families have needed to evacuate their homes and find other living accommodations. Officers **Jeff Meade**, **Paco Vergara** and **Lucas Hlebakos**, have all had to relocate their families due to the fire emergency. I understand that **Paco** was unable to even make it home from work last night and ended up assisting with traffic control for several hours."*

I have reached out to the president of Santa Rosa Junior College. He reported that many faculty, staff, and students lost everything. Let us keep them and all the responders in our prayers.

Accreditation is not the only event happening on campus. Check out the Music Technology Open House (or rather, Open "Studio") and the Horticulture Club reception.



Prof. **Bruce Tambling** showing interested students the technology, while Prof. **Eric Kuehnl** waits for them next door to show them music technology for video games.



Hort Club "meet and greet" reception with the hort board, faculty, administration, alumni, members of the professional community, and students.

As last reported in my communiqué, students and faculty from the Art Department volunteered at the Los Altos Festival over the weekend and completed two chalk murals. The murals are located in the parking lot behind Los Altos Bar & Grill.



Interested in hearing former Vice President Joe Biden speak and taking a photo with him?
<http://www.celebrityforum.net/> First person to email with an answer to the following question will get two complimentary tickets to either the October 19th or 20th talk.

Question: what is the image of this chalk mural?



Hint from Opening Day:

*Foothill College is a college without borders.
Foothill College is a college without walls.*

Foothill College is a college with a _____!

Of Service,

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