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# CAMPUS UPDATES

## IVC Superintendent/President

### Dr. Lennor Johnson



Greetings Campus Community:

We are already two weeks into the semester, and what an excellent start it has been!

**Enrollment Update:** Just two weeks ago, I shared that we were down 9%. Thanks to your hard work, focus, and commitment to helping as many students as possible, we've nearly closed the gap! At census-Monday, enrollment stands at 3,175.48 FTES compared to 3,202.73 FTES this time last year, a difference of only 27.25, or less than 1%. What an impressive turnaround. Great job, everyone!

**ACCJC Accreditation:** Last week, we met with the Peer Review Team as they continue to review our ISER. The team will meet and train on August 28, and if additional information is needed, we'll be notified by September 29. Please mark your calendars for a College Open Forum on October 2 for staff and faculty only, from 2:40–3:40 p.m. The session will be virtual, and I encourage everyone to join. Later in the month, the team will meet with the leadership group, with the official site visit scheduled for late February.

**Staffing Updates:** Please join me in welcoming and congratulating several colleagues:

- Alexa Valenzuela, New Executive Assistant - President's Office
- Elizabeth Kemp, New Title V Activities Coordinator
- Elvinet Piard, Eduardo Pesqueira, and Norma Scott, New Guided Pathways Chairs
- Anastasia Castro Alvarez, New District Compliance Officer

We are fortunate to have such talented professionals stepping into these important roles.

**College Catalog:** The 2025–2026 College Catalog is now available online: [View Catalog](#). Here are a few important changes to note:

**New Course Numbering (CCN):** Some of our most popular courses now carry updated course numbers. For example:

- COMM 100 → COMM C1000 (Introduction to Public Speaking)
- ENGL 110 → ENGL C1000 (Academic Reading and Writing)
- ENGL 201 → ENGL C1001 (Critical Reading and Writing)
- MATH 119 → STAT C1000 (Introduction to Statistics)
- PSY 101 → PSYC C1000 (Introduction to Psychology)
- POLS 102 → POLS C1000 (American Government and Politics)

**General Education Pattern:** The CSU GE Breadth and IGETC patterns have been replaced with the new CalGETC General Education Pattern beginning this fall.

- For local degrees, students may choose Plan 1 – IVC GE or Plan 2 – CalGETC.
- For ADTs, the only option is Plan 2 – CalGETC.

**New Degree Offering:** We are excited to announce the associate degree in industrial Automation Systems Technology, this associate degree is designed to lead directly into our upcoming Bachelor's program. Learn more here: [Industrial Automation Systems Technology](#).

**Federal Update:** On Friday, the [U.S. Department of Justice](#) announced its support of a lawsuit challenging grants for Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs), calling them unconstitutional. This is a serious concern, as IVC relies on HSI funding to support many of our students and programs. We will be working closely with our SDICCCA partners and state officials to strongly advocate against this action.

**Budget Update:** I'm very pleased to share some great financial news. The college has received \$7.35 million through the Employee Retention Credit (ERC), a refundable tax credit designed to support organizations that retained employees during the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds will directly support our required matching allocation for the new gymnasium, scheduled to begin construction in Fall 2026. This is a major step forward in bringing this long-awaited project to life!



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**Final Thoughts:** The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, September 15. This adjustment was necessary to comply with the requirement that our Final Budget be approved by September 15. The Business Office will be sharing the final budget report with the participatory governance committees prior to submission.

In closing, I wish you a wonderful week. Thank you for your continued energy, teamwork, and dedication, together we are keeping our Mission Possible alive and strong.

Warm regards,  
Lennor M. Johnson, Ed.D.  
Superintendent/President