



# CONNECTION

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The President's Monthly Report to the Board of Trustees, Campus, and Community

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## LPC Veterans First 2.2 for 22 Challenge

On October 21, the Las Positas College Veterans First Program held its 2.2 for 22 Challenge for Veterans. This free community event was held to raise veteran suicide awareness. 22 veterans die from suicide daily, and this event was also a way to offer support for veterans and families who lost a loved one to suicide.

Through the challenges presented the number 22 is symbolic, each station challenges participants to complete a task surrounding the number 22. Funds raised at this event will help to fund community initiatives for veterans and their families.



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# Dia de Muertos at LPC

On November 1, LPC Student Government and the Student Life Welcome Center held its 2nd annual Dia de Los Muertos celebration.

The event began with the Aztec dancers and procession to the altar in building 1600 where the dancers blessed the Dia de Muertos altar.

The event included booths for students to enjoy including face painting, piñata making, loteria playing, and papel picado making.

Student also enjoyed typical Hispanic foods and for dessert there was a churro vendor that was cooking, made from scratch authentic churros.

This event brought the entire campus together to celebrate our dearly departed loved ones.





# Las Positas College Foundation's Fall Welcome Reception



The Las Positas College Foundation made exciting announcements at the Fall Welcome Reception. President Foster, Foundation Board Chair Kirsten Barranti, and Executive Director Kenneth Cooper all shared messages of thanks and appreciation with many of the campus' top donors and supporters attending the event.



The LPC Foundation also introduced the Las Positas College Fund and campaign. The purpose of the fund is to raise unrestricted dollars in support of the most critical unmet student and program needs. Executive Director Cooper shared that over \$33,200 has been raised, with many gifts coming from LPC faculty and staff.



For Las Positas College Fund donors making a minimum gift of \$1,000, the Foundation will recognize them as Circle of Excellence (COE) members. As part of the COE (and depending on the size of the gift), members will enjoy unique benefits such as a special donor reception, invitation to special events, and a complimentary parking pass.



Toward the end of the event the new LPC Foundation logo was unveiled. "This logo," said Director Cooper, "represents a continuation of the Foundations dedication to our students, programs, and community."

For question and information please contact Kenneth Cooper at: [kcooper@laspositascollege.edu](mailto:kcooper@laspositascollege.edu).



# Partnership Imperative and LPC's Preview Night



## The Partnership Imperative



LPC hosted, *"The Partnership Imperative: Innovative Solutions for Chronic Skills Gaps in Manufacturing,"* event that was organized by Innovation Tri-Valley's workforce committee: April Treece, Monya Lane and Beth McCormick. Beth led a team to organize the event which included: Silicon Valley Leadership Group's Workforce director, three members of the BACCC, Ohlone College engineering faculty, Manex Consulting Group and Laney College's CTE.

The goal of the event was to showcase successful employer and community college partnerships around the Bay Area with the intention of increasing the number of company engagements with local colleges. All nine companies attending the event said it was valuable and they would be following up with appropriate community colleges.



## Preview Night

Preview Night hosted by the LPC Outreach Team was a complete success. There were over 300 prospective students and families in attendance. The event featured tabling for most college services including programs offered at LPC, Admissions and Records, and Community Education.

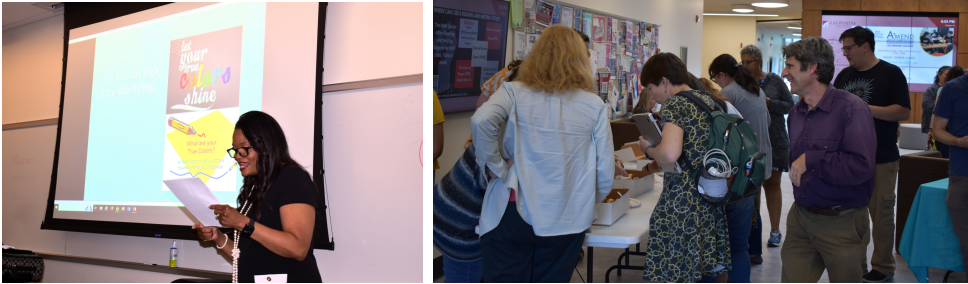
See you at the Spring Open House!



# Flex Day at LPC & Dates to Remember

Fall Flex Day at LPC featured a large array of professional development opportunities and some health and wellness events for all staff at LPC.

This Flex Day featured a keynote session with the LGBTQ+ Task Force. The panel was moderated by TeriAnn Bengiveno and consisted of student, alumni, and staff panelist.



## LPC Mission

Las Positas College is an inclusive, learning-centered, equity-focused environment that offers educational opportunities and support for completion of students' transfer, degree, and career-technical goals while promoting lifelong learning.

## College Planning Priorities

Establish a knowledge base and an appreciation for equity; create a sense of urgency about moving toward equity; institutionalize equity in decision-making, assessment, and accountability; and build capacity to resolve inequities.

Increase student success and completion through change in college practices and processes: coordinating needed academic support, removing barriers, and supporting focused professional development across the campus.

| Date             | Event   |
|------------------|---|
| November 13 - 14 | Continuing Student Registration - Spring 2024                             |
| November 15      | New and Returning Student Registration - Spring 2024                      |
| November 22 - 24 | Campus Closed - Thanksgiving Break  |
| November 29      | Registration for High School - Concurrent Enrollment Begins - Spring 2024 |