LRC Extends Hours Until 11 p.m. as Fall Semester Nears an End

The Learning Resource Center will be open and staffed for night-owl students through December 10.

To assist students with their end of the semester study needs, the Learning Resource Center will have extended hours through Wednesday, December 10. LRC services will be available each weekday until 11 p.m.

Members of the Associated Students will provide snacks and supplies in the LRC lobby. The LRC is located on the first floor of the Library/Learning Resource Center Building.

The library is also offering “open lab” hours for students working on research papers. Librarians will provide assistance with term paper research as well as the formatting of citations in accord with MLA or APA standards. This service is available from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Monday, December 8 through Wednesday, December 10, in LLRC-245.

Instruction for the fall semester concludes on Saturday, December 13. The College will be open for service through Tuesday, December 23 before closing for the winter holiday break from December 24 through January 1. The campus re-opens on Friday, January 2, 2015. Classes begin on Monday, January 26.

Cypress College Veterans Organization Holding Sock Hop Dinner on December 12

The Cypress College Veterans Organization is hosting a Holiday Sock Hop Fundraiser Dinner and Toy Drive on Friday, December 12, 2014. It will begin at 6 p.m. at the Cypress Senior Center.

Proceeds will provide services and resources to serve Cypress College students who are military veterans. The cost is $30 per ticket or $250 for a table of 10. The evening will feature ’50s music, food, and an opportunity drawing.

Toys collected will be donated to Military Children’s Charity for their 5th Annual Toy Drive. MCC is an organization that collects and distributes new gifts year-round to military families. The group is among the community organizations the Cypress College Veterans Organization partners with.

Tickets are available through the CCVO. For information, please contact Tiffany Kaaiakamanu, Special Projects Director, at ext. 48002 or tkaaiakamanu@cypresscollege.edu.
Donations Help A.S. to Feed 35 Student Families for Thanksgiving

Donations from across the campus helped the Associated Students to feed 35 student families for Thanksgiving. A.S. members assembled baskets of food, complete with turkeys, as part of their annual program to help fellow students who are in need.

“Associated Students would like to thank you for your generous donations to help feed families from our college this holiday,” A.S. President Jocelyn Zaragoza said. “In total we were able to make 35 baskets and donated 35 turkeys. We would especially like to thank the LLRC Dean, Dr. Cassens, for contributing to the food drive by coordinating the library’s ‘Food for Fines’ event with A.S. This was a great collaboration and we are looking forward to many more collaborations in the future.”

Psychology Students to Present Poster Projects to Campus on Tuesday

Students in the Research Methods in Psychology course, Psychology 202, will formally present their research projects in poster format on Tuesday, December 9, in Humanities 217.

The campus community is invited to attend the presentations, ask questions of the students’ research, or observe.

Cypress College’s CTE Teacher Prep Pipeline Grant Extended Through CCCCO Program

Cypress College’s CTE Teacher Preparation Pipeline grant has been extended for an additional year through the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office. The $150,000 extension focuses on Career Technical Education and the STEM disciplines of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

“Seeking to increase the number of teachers with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), K-12, adult education, and career technical education (CTE) qualifications, the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office today announced it has awarded $1.2 million in grants to 10 community college districts with existing Teacher Preparation Pipeline programs in order to more effectively recruit and train students for careers as teachers in these disciplines,” the CCCC said in a news release issued on Thursday. “The California Community Colleges STEM Teacher Preparation Pipeline grant addresses the critical need for teachers with STEM backgrounds in California. California’s demand for new math and science teachers in the next 10 years is expected to exceed 33,000, far surpassing the number of STEM teachers that the state is expected to produce. In addition, an estimated 51,500 openings for elementary school teachers and 31,100 jobs for secondary school teachers will occur statewide between 2010 and 2020.”

According to the release: The California Community Colleges STEM Teacher Preparation Pipeline grants extend program funding through late 2015 for a network of community colleges that includes Cabrillo College, Cerritos College, College of the Canyons, Grossmont College, Cypress College, El Camino College, Rio Hondo College, Saddleback College, City College of San Francisco, and Lemoore College.

“If we want more diversity in the STEM technician occupations that drive many of our regional economies, like those in biotech, healthcare, and energy, let’s inspire students by giving them diverse role models in STEM teaching positions,” said California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris. “Cultivating an innovation worker begins with the effective recruitment and training of STEM teachers. Our community colleges reflect the diversity of California and are well-positioned to train the next generation of STEM teachers.”

District Information Services will be performing year-end scheduled maintenance from Saturday, December 27 through Wednesday, December 31, 2014.

The time period was identified as the department’s opportunity to perform necessary maintenance on the District’s network equipment, servers, myGateway, and Banner.

During this time period, all systems will be unavailable including Banner, myGateway, and Fullerton College’s Blackboard site. Because it is hosted outside the District, Cypress College’s Blackboard site will not be impacted.

Please contact the IS Help Desk at ishelpdesk@nocccd.edu or (714) 808-4849 with any questions.

The 2014 President’s Holiday Reception will be held on Thursday, December 11, from 9:30-11 a.m. It will take place in the Theater Lobby. The annual event provides an opportunity for the campus community to come together prior to the winter break. A number of retired employees and community members typically attend the reception as well.

RSVP to Ty Volcy in the President’s Office at tvolcy@cypresscollege.edu.
Cypress College Veterans Organization
Proudly Invites You to Our
Holiday Sock Hop
Fundraiser Dinner and Toy Drive

Date: Friday, December 12, 2014 at 6pm
Location: Cypress Senior Citizens Center
9031 Grindlay Street, Cypress 90630
Cost: $30 per ticket
$250 for a table (10 seats)

Join us for an evening of 50’s music, good food and fine company to ring in the Holiday Season!

There will be an opportunity drawing for great prizes!
Suggested donation of $3 per ticket or 2 tickets for $5.

Proceeds will provide services and resources to serve our Veterans.
Toys collected will be donated to Military Children’s Charity (MCC) for their 5th Annual Toy Drive. MCC is an organization that collects and distributes new gifts year-round to military families. www.militarychildrenscharity.org

Support students in higher education who are making a difference in the community!
TAX ID: 23-7197703 • Ticket costs are tax-deductible
Questions? Contact Tiffany Kaaiaakamanu, Special Projects Director
714.484.7000 ext.48002/tdkaaiakamanu@cypresscollege.edu

To Purchase Tickets, please complete the bottom portion and include payment of check or money order.
Please make checks payable to Cypress College Foundation- Veterans.
Please send bottom portion with payment to Cypress College-Student Support Services Division,
ATTN: Tiffany Kaaiaakamanu, 9200 Valley View Street, Cypress, CA 90630-5897.

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Name:_______________________________________ Number of Tickets:________
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Dear All,

Students in the Research Methods in Psychology course, Psychology 202 will formally present their research projects in poster format on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 in Humanities 217. You are cordially invited to attend the presentations, ask questions of the students’ research, or simply observe.

Poster presentations will be displayed from 10 am to 11:45 am on that day and the student researchers will be there to respond to questions and comments.

Please encourage your students to attend so they may have a beneficial interaction with the research methods students.

Your support is greatly appreciated, and your presence will enhance the learning experience.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

Randy Martinez
Join Us for a One-Day

Front Line Staff Workshop: Creating a Culture of Success

The Front Line Staff Workshop (limited to 50 attendees) is a learner-centered professional development event designed to provide you with principles and practices for empowering students to achieve greater academic success and persistence.

The workshop is designed to address the unique interaction between front line staff and students as an opportunity to enhance student responsibility and success, focusing on mission and effective problem-solving behaviors.

Strategies presented in this workshop improve both student academic success and retention.

Detailed workshop information is available on the On Course Website.

Join us for this major on-campus professional development event and learn proven methods for empowering students to achieve their greatest potential in college…and beyond.

January 12, 2015 (Monday)
9 am – 4 pm
Cypress College Complex Room 414

Register on MyGateway through the District Staff Development Calendar (with your manager’s permission)

Who will benefit?

- Front Line Staff who want to contribute to a culture of success!

What did Cypress College faculty say about On Course I?

- Jonathan was an excellent facilitator!
- On Course is the best workshop I have ever participated in.

Our entire staff in Student Financial Services attended the On Course Front Line Workshop. It …helped us with very practical tools to provide coaching to develop responsible students—without being too paternalistic and trying to solve their problems for them.—Linda L. Berlin, Student Financial Services Coordinator, Northwestern Michigan College, MI University