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Hello Siskiyous!

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. According to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the Core Theme is Human First. Journey Focused. Mental health isn't a separate category, it's the fabric of our daily lives. It influences our thoughts, our relationships, and how we navigate the world. This year, the focus is on three pillars of action:

- Proactive Awareness: Identifying early shifts in mental well-being.
- Community Strength: Bolstering the networks of support that surround us.
- Empathetic Action: Meeting moments of crisis with genuine compassion.

The following site includes a number of resources that can be used throughout the month of May: <https://www.samhsa.gov/about/digital-toolkits/mental-health-awareness-month>

*This week's updates:*

- **Enrollment Report:** Can be accessed by visiting the [Enrollment Report Webpage](#).
- **Maintenance, Facilities and Construction Updates:** Diversified Electric will be in the kitchen today installing new circuits for future grab and go refrigerators. Diversified will also be in the Distance Learning Center on Tuesday to remove the non functional UPS system. Due to illness, the facilities office will be closed today, Mon. May 4, 2026. The Student Housing Complex contractor will not perform compaction or loud noise related construction activities during finals week - Mon. May 18 - 21, 2026.
- **May 6, 2026 Strawberry Cart - Rescheduled:** Due to schedule conflicts, the Strawberry Cart will be offered on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:30a - 10a (or while supplies last).
- **Educator Appreciation Week:** May 4 - 8, 2026. As we observe Teacher Appreciation Week, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the remarkable faculty at College of the Siskiyous. Our educators are the cornerstone of our mission, turning our shared values of service and opportunity into a daily reality for our students. Teaching is a profound act of leadership. Whether in our classrooms in Weed and Yreka, online, out in the field with our Fire and EMS academies, or through our essential nursing and career technical programs, our faculty do more than just deliver curriculum, they provide the mentorship and inspiration that change the trajectory of our students' lives. To our faculty, thank you for your continuous commitment to our students and for your vital role in building a stronger, more educated community. We are honored to work alongside you. To view the approved resolution honoring the faculty at College of the

Siskiyous during Teacher Appreciation Week, click [Resolution 2025-2025-07](#).

- **Coming Soon: The Reimagined CCCApply Experience:** Wed. May 6 from 9a - 10a. Join Chancellor's Office leaders, admissions and records experts, and college administrators for a structured, panel-style briefing on the Reimagine Apply initiative, the new student-centered application platform launching June 1, 2026. For more information and to register click [CCCApply](#).
- **Siskiyou County Office of Education (SCOE) Superintendent Candidate Forum:** Thurs. May 7, 2026 from 7p - 8p in the Siskiyous Student Center, Building 1. Candidates: Allen Carver (incumbent), Michelle Hogue and Mark Greenfield. Flyer with details is attached.
- **Community Colleges as Climate Resilience Hubs:** Thurs. May 7 at 11am. As the world gets hotter, storms, fires, heat waves and floods wreak growing havoc nationwide. How can community colleges, often based in particularly vulnerable communities, help local partners more effectively prepare for, respond to, and recover from climate-related disasters? For more information and to register, click [Climate Hub Webinar](#).
- **Weed Elementary School (WES) Bond Question and Answer Session:** Fri. May 8, 2026 from 2p - 3p in the Siskiyous Student Center, Building 1. Jon Ray, WES Superintendent, and Kevin Charter from Edward Jones will be present to answer questions you may have regarding Bond Measures E and F. Flyer attached. Outlook invite to follow.
- **Siskiyou County Housing Survey 2026:** The Siskiyou Housing Alliance is soliciting feedback to better understand the housing challenges in Siskiyou County. Please take a moment to complete this important survey. Feel free to share with others in your communities. The survey can be accessed by clicking [Housing Survey 2026](#).



- **Reminder: California Community College: Mental Health Action Week 2026:** Tue. May 5 - Fri. May 8, 2026. Join CCC Health & Wellness for a four-day virtual learning experience designed to support the mental health and wellbeing of community college students, faculty, and staff. Mental Health Action Week (MHAW) brings together campus practitioners, leaders, and partners to explore practical strategies, emerging approaches, and meaningful ways to strengthen a culture of care across our colleges. For more information and to register, click [Mental Health Action Week 2026](#).
- **Social Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion (SJEDI) Lunch & Learn #5 Beyond Representation:** Friday, May 8 at 12p in the Board Room or via Zoom. Click [SJEDI Lunch & Learn](#) to access the full schedule.
- **Missing Murdered Indigenous People (MMIP) Day:** Tue. May 11, 2026 from 11:30a - 1p. This is a collaborative event among College of the Siskiyous, First 5 Siskiyou, Siskiyou Domestic Violence and Crisis Center, Karuk Tribe, Quartz Valley Indian Reservation, and Youth Empowerment Siskiyou. Complimentary Indian Tacos, sponsored by First 5 Siskiyou, available to all attendees (while supplies last). Flyer attached.

- **Pride Flag:** Each year, College of the Siskiyous raises the Pride Flag during the month of May to celebrate our LGBTQIA+ students. While Pride Month is officially recognized in June, we choose to fly the flag while our students are still on campus as a symbol of our commitment to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment where every individual feels they belong.

**Colleague of the Month for the Month of May is.....**

Congratulations, AMY SNODGRASS!



Amy currently serves as the Executive Assistant 1 to the Vice President of Administrative Services as well as the College's Designated Contact for the LGBTQIA+ College Community. Amy is being recognized for her instrumental work on the Safety Committee. Specifically, she helped address the rising risk of needle stick injuries for our custodians. By leveraging her connection with Siskiyou County Public Health, Amy arranged a presentation that led to executive approval for sharps containers in all lodge and single-use bathrooms across the Weed and Yreka campuses. This includes a community drop box on the Weed campus. Public Health will collect the waste at no cost, saving the district thousands of dollars while ensuring the safety of our students and staff. Amy's initiative solved a long-standing budget challenge, and we will greatly benefit from her proactive engagement. Amy, thank you for your invaluable contributions to the safety of our team! Your efforts have made a lasting impact.

We will be taking a break from Colleague of the Month for the months of June, July and August and will resume in September.



Have a great week!

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