

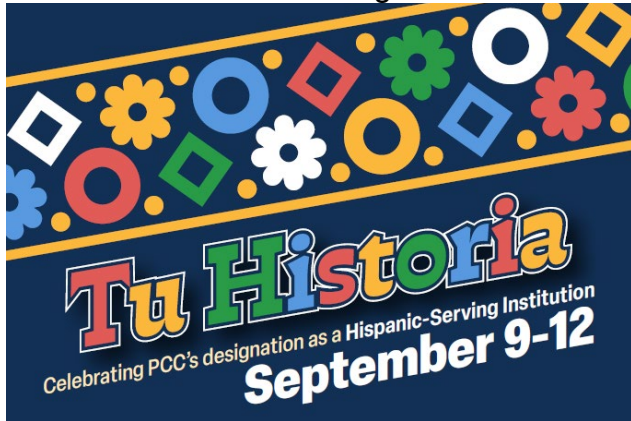


College Report – Oct. 9, 2024

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Transform the student experience

Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week – PCC celebrated Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week with daily activities including a town hall, Latinx student simulation, scavenger hunt, piñata making and discussion about the school's conscious history as an HSI. PCC received its HSI designation more than 30 years ago.



9/11 memorial stair climb – Our Fire Science students participated in two 9/11 remembrances this year. First, they were part of the community Patriot Day event at the Pueblo Riverwalk, where they walked the equivalent of 110 flights of stairs in full gear to honor the FDNY members who died following the attack on the Twin Towers. Next, they returned to campus and did the climb again in the PCC Amphitheater. Now-retired Fire Science instructor John Webber started the campus event to remind people of the attack and the heroism that was on display in its aftermath.

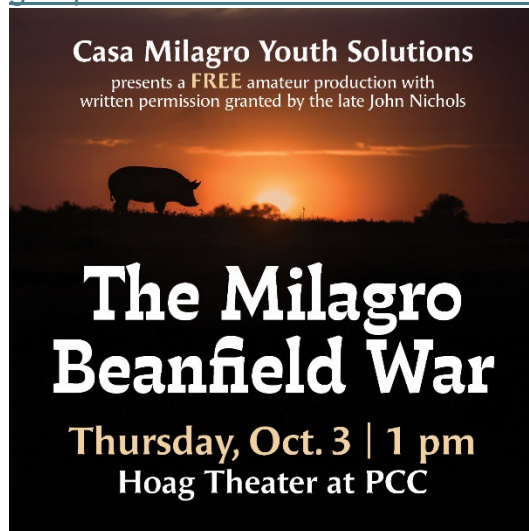


New bachelor-degree programs – PCC is in the process of adding two more bachelor-degree programs. The Higher Learning Commission recently approved PCC’s Bachelor of Applied Science in Business Administration, which will begin in fall 2025.

Pending approval from the HLC and Department of Education, the college also expects to start offering a BAS in Behavioral Health next fall. PCC is one of four CCCS schools approved to offer the degree.

Create education without barriers through partnerships

Hispanic Heritage Month collaboration – PCC’s Inclusivity, Diversity, Equitability and Accessibility (IDEA) Committee partnered with CSU Pueblo to bring a production of *The Milagro Beanfield War* to the PCC campus Oct. 3. The production was staged by a [group of theater students with Casa Milagro Youth Solutions](#).



Pueblo History Speaker Series – History faculty member Brad Bowers and the PCC History Club introduced the Pueblo History Speaker Series Sept. 18 with *Pueblo: Past and Present*, a presentation by Victoria Miller, the curator of the Steelworks Center of the West. October will feature a presentation about Charles Goodnight, whose impact on Pueblo in the 1870s remains despite his relatively short time living in the area. More presentations are planned for November, February, March and April.



**PUEBLO:
PAST & PRESENT**

Presented by **Victoria Miller**
Curator of the Steelworks Center of the West

Wednesday, Sept. 18 @ 11 am

Hoag Theater at PCC · FREE admission

Community partnership brings football to the airwaves – PCC partnered with Pueblo School District 60 and KDZA radio to bring two of Pueblo’s biggest football games to the airwaves. On Sept. 13, the Cannon Game between South and East high schools aired live on PCC’s Facebook page, Xfinity Channel 19 and over KRDO digital channel 13.3. Listeners also could hear it on KDZA (101.9 FM and 1230 AM). PCC’s Center for New Media, staffed with several work-study students, produced the broadcast with play-by-play and color analysis from KDZA’s team. On Sept. 27, the famous Bell Game between Central and Centennial was featured. Hundreds of viewers and listeners – national and international – joined the broadcasts.



Raise value standards through excellence & accessibility

Programs earn accreditation – PCC’s Dental Hygiene program recently received notice of its seven-year accreditation from the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The Automotive Technology program was notified of its five-year accreditation from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE).