



WHC Coalinga Mission Statement

West Hills College Coalinga is committed to achieving student learning through the provision of educational, cultural, and economic development opportunities to our current and future students and the local and global communities that we serve.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We started the year by asking ourselves, "How can we get better results with our students? Given the economic realities, what is it that we should and can be doing more of, which is low cost but high gain?"

We know that many of our students are considered "at-risk" and are often not academically prepared. We also know that our faculty, staff and administrators are highly dedicated professionals committed to student success.

On August 13th through August 14th faculty, staff and administration joined our WHC Lemoore colleagues as they hosted the 2014 Professional Development and Duty Day. After Dr. Gornick's "State of the District" address, WHC Coalinga faculty and administration worked together to review WHCC Student Success data alongside recent research. Specifically, the RP Group's work on cost effective student support strategies that dramatically improved student achievement at 13 California community colleges.

This working and learning session was designed to develop an aggressive team approach known as "intrusive advising" that involves everyone in the educational process – counselors, administrators, staff and faculty. Each team adopted five (5) things faculty, staff and administrators can do that will improve a student's sense of belonging. These no-cost/low-cost strategies have been shown to improve student success. One example to improve the chances of students staying in school is making our supplemental instruction efforts, UpGrade, mandatory. Athletics and Psych Tech programs are currently doing this.

Teams have obligated to one another to continue the commitment to implement promising practices throughout the year.

Kudos to Academic Senate President, Jeff Wanderer for building in a visit to the Farm of the Future in the Flex Day activities. WHC Coalinga faculty continued their planning for activities in the fall to implement "Ag Across the Curriculum." This was the first time that all faculty had an opportunity to work together at the farm.

WEST HILLS COLLEGE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT



(Pictured above from top left to right: Alejandro Alvarez, Anai Lopez, Genoveba Arreygue, Claudia Valencia, Alejandra Garcia, Jose Salomon, Presentacion Sanchez, Olivia Vega, Beatriz Lopez, Margarita Trinidad Sanchez, Lorena Angeles, Wilmer Toscano, Anita Wright, Eva Rosas, Emma Santos, Fabiola De la Riva, Angel Cobian, Karina Enriquez, Melvin Chavez, Martin Valdovinos, Javier Cazares)

The WHCCD High School Equivalency Program (HEP) graduation ceremony honoring the class of 2014 was held on July 19th, 2014. To a crowd of proud, cheering family members, graduates walked across the stage at the WHCC Theater. The festivities began with a warm welcome from HEP Director Anita Wright. Keynote speaker and former HEP student Alejandro Alvarez gave an inspiring speech that encouraged graduates and attendees to always strive for more. Alejandro will start his first semester at Fresno State this fall. Student speaker Margarita Trinidad Sanchez expressed her gratitude for the services HEP provides and pledged to continue her education. After the ceremony, family and friends enjoyed a reception dinner in the WHCC dining hall. Big thank you to Jay Darnell and the food services staff for catering the delicious meal. Out of the 18 graduates, 17 will continue on to West Hills College and one was accepted into a water treatment vocational program at Fresno City College. Thank you to all who joined us to celebrate this joyous occasion. We want to wish our graduates the best as they continue ahead towards a new and exciting future. Congratulations on a job well done!

WHCCD FOUNDATION

July was a very exciting month for the foundation. Keller Automotive Group in Hanford offered to donate \$100 for each vehicle sold during the month to President's Scholars Program. At press time, we were still waiting for the final results. The generosity of Val and Jon Keller will go a long way in helping support this year's President's Scholars group. As of mid-July, 109 students were register for fall semester as a President's Scholar.

As a result of the Keller campaign, a television public service announcement (PSA) was produced and aired on many stations around the area and Dr. Gornick was invited to do a five minute segment on KMPH TV's Valley Life, which ran four times in late July.

The publicity around the Keller gift will hopefully help generate additional gifts to President's Scholars and other programs and scholarships at West Hills. If you would like to contribute, visit: <http://westhillscollege.com/district/foundation/donations.asp>

ATHLETICS

Fall 2014 Volleyball Schedule

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Fri	Aug 29	at MJC Tournament	Modesto	All Day
Fri	Sep 5	at Cosumnes River Tournament	Sacramento	All Day
Fri	Sep 19	at MPC Classic	Monterey	All Day

WED	SEP 24	* COLUMBIA COLLEGE	COALINGA	5:00 PM
Wed	Oct 1	*at Porterville College	Porterville	6:00 pm
Fri	Oct 3	*at Merced College	Merced	6:00 pm
WED	OCT 8	* REEDLEY COLLEGE	COALINGA	6:00 PM
Fri	Oct 10	*at Taft College	Taft	6:00 pm
WED	OCT 15	* COLLEGE OF SEQUOIAS	COALINGA	6:00 PM
Fri	Oct 17	*at Fresno City College	Fresno	6:00 pm
Wed	Oct 22	*at Columbia College	Sonora	5:00 pm
WED	OCT 29	* PORTERVILLE COLLEGE	COALINGA	6:00 PM
FRI	OCT 31	* MERCED COLLEGE	COALINGA	6:00 PM
Wed	Nov 5	*at Reedley College	Reedley	6:00 pm
FRI	NOV 7	*TAFT COLLEGE	COALINGA	6:00 PM
Wed	Nov 12	*at College of Sequoias	Visalia	6:00 pm
FRI	NOV 14	*FRESNO CITY COLLEGE	COALINGA	6:00 PM

*Central Valley Conference Games
BOLD

HOME GAMES IN

Fall 2014 Football Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Time	Location
Sep-05	Fri	San Jose	7pm	Coalinga
Sep-13	Sat	Contra Costa	3pm	San Pablo
Sep-19	Fri	Los Medanos	7pm	Coalinga
Sep-27	Sat	*Monterey	7pm	Coalinga
Oct-04	Sat	*Gavilan	6pm	Gilroy
Oct-11		BYE		
Oct-18	Sat	*Reedley (Home coming&Hall of Fame)	1pm	Coalinga
Oct-25	Sat	Mendocino	2pm	Ukiah
Nov-01	Sat	*Cabrillo	7pm	Aptos
Nov-08	Sat	*Merced	1pm	Coalinga
Nov-15	Sat	*Hartnell	6pm	Salinas

* Golden Coast League Game

Home Games in Bold

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WHCC Fitness Lab Hours Fall 14:

Monday thru Friday
 5am—6:30am

Monday thru Friday
 11am—1pm

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 6pm—8pm

President's Monthly Message

Membership Dates:

Monday, August 18th through Thursday, December 18th

COST: \$60 PER PERSON or \$30 for WHCC students & staff (cost includes use of fitness lab equipment, workout towel, locker room and shower facilities)

For more information stop by the athletic offices on campus

Registration and waiver forms can be found below for your convenience; just print, complete and bring with you. Students please bring your West Hills College Coalinga student I.D. with you when you pay for your membership.

- [Registration Form](#) (everyone must complete-then print and sign)
- [ADULT - Mandatory Waiver](#) (complete-then print and sign)
- [MINOR - Mandatory Waiver](#) (complete-then print and sign)

WHCC Fitness Room Rules

- Return all equipment to its proper location after use
- No food or drink (other than plastic water bottles) is allowed
- Observe all posted signs and equipment warnings
- Safe and proper use of equipment is required at all times
- Actions that threaten the safety and well being of yourself or others will not be tolerated
- Verbal or physical abuse towards an employee of the WHCC Fitness Lab will result in immediate dismissal from the facility, with possible legal charges filed
- Horse play is prohibited in this facility
- Shirts and athletic shoes must be worn at all times. Belts, Jeans, clothing with rivets, wallet chains, sandals and open toed shoes are prohibited
- Be considerate of others and wipe down equipment after each use
- Towels will be issued by the attendant by exchanging your ID card
- Cardiovascular equipment is limited to 30 minutes when people are waiting
- Teens under the age of 16 must be accompanied by adult who is responsible for direct supervision
- Please report any equipment problems to the attendant
- Always use a spotter. If you do not have a partner, ask the attendant
- WHCC employees are not responsible for personal belongings lost or stolen in the facility

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<http://westhillscollge.com/coalinga/about/presidents-monthly-message.asp>