

**This Week at the District**

**Back to School**

I would like to welcome everyone back to campus for the start of another semester at Coast Colleges! This is an exciting yet busy time as we welcome students and faculty back to class. I was able to visit each campus this week and was impressed at the high level of service the staff members provide to our students. I would like to congratulate the teams in Admissions & Records and our DIS teams for a relatively uneventful first week! Students were able to register via the MySites and the system stayed up and running during this high-traffic time. I know that we are all looking forward to a successful semester and another school year.

**Legislative Update**

**AB 2478**

AB 2478 - The student residency requirements: Veterans bill, is officially through the Legislature. This bill was initiated by the Orange County Legislative Task Force last year and will help our veterans to attend community colleges in California by alleviating the residency requirement for a period of time while they transition to civilian life and determine their future plans. As a member of the Orange County Legislative Task Force, Coast Colleges is very proud to have helped our veterans. AB 2478 will now be presented to the Governor. He will have until September 30 to act on the measure.

**SB 1456**

SB 1456 – Community Colleges: Student Success Act of 2012, will help implement recommendations of the Student Success Task Force, which developed strategies to improve completion rates at California's 112 community colleges. A number of our staff participated on various committees to develop the appropriate strategies for this initiative. This bill will give students the tools they need to succeed, increase transparency and close the achievement gap, use technology to help students create greater efficiency, and encourage students to focus on success. This bill will be implemented as it is funded.

Have a wonderful holiday weekend!

Sincerely,



**Board Meeting Reminders**

**September 5** - Regular Meeting

**September 19** - Regular Meeting

**October 3** - Regular Meeting

**Chancellor's Calendar**

**Week of Sept. 3, 2012**

Monday - Labor Day

Tuesday - Thursday  
In the Office

Friday  
Sacramento