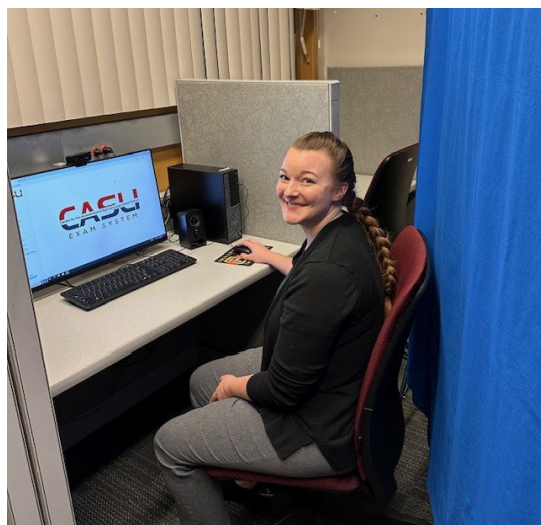


**President's Report
August 2024**

NOTABLE

Del Preston (pictured) traveled from Phoenix to take the National Interpreting Certification exam at the CCC Lone Tree Campus earlier this month. Ms. Preston is a graduate of the CCC ASL & Interpreting Studies program. CCC is the only testing site in the state for candidates seeking to become credentialed to provide American Sign Language interpreting services in the community. Sarah Benton, FT ASL & Interpreting Studies faculty, facilitates the testing process.



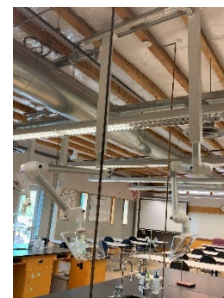
Dell Preston



Kathryn Kozak

Kathryn Kozak attended MathFest in Indianapolis, IN, and the MAA Congress meeting as the representative of the two-year college at large. She was later elected as the chair-elect of the MAA Congress starting July 2025. Kathryn attended many sessions on teaching mathematics and chaired a session on Engaging All Students in Meaningful Mathematics and Accessibility by Design. She also presented a poster on the Center of Undergraduate Research in Mathematics (CURM) (DMS-2317453), for which she is a co-PI for the grant.

A new exhaust (hood) system was installed in CCC's chemistry lab. Previously, students were required to go to one of three hoods around the sides of the lab to use chemicals. Now, the students may use chemicals at their workstations since the new exhaust system has multiple hoods over the work areas, and the students can move the hoods to a convenient position. The updated system was installed using STEM funding.



The mathematics department sponsored a session on **Active Learning** with presenters from Chandler-Gilbert Community College. All mathematics faculty were expected to attend, and all full-time faculty were invited. Fourteen faculty and one tutor attended.

The Lone Tree Campus saw the **4th High Country Training Academy** class graduate 14 recruits and the **Paramedic Program** graduate 19 paramedic students.



The Academic Affairs Fall Conference for faculty was filled with several learning sessions and collaborative presentations from faculty and staff. The sessions included 'What's New in Canvas,' 'Curriculum for Initiators,' 'Culturally Responsive Teaching,' 'Culturally Responsive Practices in Curriculum,' 'Library Services and OER,' 'Canvas Design Tool,' and 'Provost Q&A.' Updates were also given at an evening program with dinner and departmental meetings.

The Open Textbooks for Rural Arizona grant, a collaboration between six rural Arizona colleges, was renewed for a fourth year. In the third year alone, faculty completed 10 Open Educational Resource (OER) projects. Over the last three years, these projects have resulted in course materials for 14 CCC courses that are free for students and for instructors wishing to adopt or adapt them at their institutions.

The **Teaching and Learning Center** now offers required accessibility training to all faculty using the UDOIT tool in Canvas (our learning management system). UDOIT stands for Universal Design Online Inspection Tool. It scans Canvas courses, identifies accessibility issues, and provides one convenient window to conduct repairs. The training introduces major accessibility principles and best practices and applies those principles in the UDOIT repair process for Canvas courses. Making content in Canvas courses accessible provides a valuable service to all students and helps ensure that we comply with federal laws that address the accessibility of online content. This is a four-hour paid training for full- and part-time faculty.

On August 14th, Student Life recognized **Navajo Code Talker Day** with an event and display case designed by the SISS peer mentors. Participants watched an educational documentary that highlighted

the history and significance of the Navajo Code Talkers. The event explored the vital role these Native American servicemen played during World War II by using their unique language to create an unbreakable code, greatly contributing to the U.S. military's success. The event emphasized the Code Talkers' lasting impact on military history and Navajo cultural pride.



Coconino Community College **men's and women's cross-country** teams kicked off their 2024 season at the George Kyte Classic on August 31. The women's team was led by freshman Cian Davis, who finished 27th in the 2.5-mile race. Teammates Amber Woody, Peyton Yazzie, Nizhoni Johnson, and Sierra Manygoats placed close behind. The team placed 9th overall with 284 points, competing against top schools like Northern Arizona University (NAU), which won with 20 points.

On the men's side, freshmen Theodore Round Face and Briley Dauphinais led the team, finishing the 4.5-mile race in 25:00 and 25:05, respectively. The men's team also placed 9th overall, with 228 points, in a field of 15 schools. Read the full story on the athletic website at CoconinoComets.com.



The Native American Success Center (NASC) held its first Native American Teambuilding & Orientation to help new Native American students at CCC navigate campus and learn about available resources. Eighteen students attended and toured the campus, learning about various resources such as financial aid, student accounts, the Comet Cupboard, TRIO, the SISS Center, and the tutoring center.

McKayla and Niki presented on navigating Canvas, and the students also learned about Degree Works and Nimbus. The event featured interactive team-building activities, with students actively participating, accessing their Canvas pages, and asking numerous questions.

The orientation received overwhelmingly positive feedback, with students expressing appreciation for the information and support offered throughout the day.



New Student Orientation (NSO) has been revamped! It offers students resources to get them started in the semester, connects them to other incoming students, and gives them information to last them throughout the Fall term. NSO has been transformed to be delivered virtually and in person. The first iteration of NSO provided many highlights and takeaways as we continue to think about improving the new student experience. Forty-eight students participated in NSO: 20 in person and 28 online.

Sarah Heemstra, Student Life Coordinator, visited the Page Center and met with staff about hosting Student Life events in Page. The plan is to increase the overall student experience and commit to making Student Life more present on Page.

PARTNERSHIPS

We welcomed 20 external groups and three CCC groups to join us for our start of semester **Community Resource & Safety Fair**. This event included resources about health and well-being, personal safety, available jobs, Flagstaff housing, food resources, and more! We served over 150 students for the event and tracked through our new event check-in process with help from ITS.

This semester, 22 CCC departments and two external groups were represented during **our Connection Fair**. This Fair is all about internal resources for student success, and we highlighted the vast array of services we have on campus and served approximately 150 students.

AUGUST EVENTS

- Community Education – DIY Weatherization Workshop
- Navajo Code Talker Day
- Convocation

- CDL Open House
- Welcome Week Activities

EARNED MEDIA

August 27, 2024 https://azdailysun.com/news/local/education/students-at-nau-ccc-start-classes-for-the-2024-2025-school-year/article_de186c90-63c1-11ef-8436-933b256001ab.html#tncms-source=homepage_desktop_featured

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT MEETINGS OF INTEREST

Date	Meeting
08/01/2024	Meeting with NAU Dr. Roddy
08/01/2024	1:1 Trustee Garcia
08/06/2024	Rotary Meeting
08/06/2024	DGB Agenda Review with Chair Smith
08/06/2024	Tim Kinney/Rich Bowen P3 Meeting
08/07/2024	ATD Core Team Meeting
08/07/2024	Jon Perez, NARBHA Meeting
08/08/2024	Gail Jackson, ECoNA Meeting
08/14/2024	Arizona Community Foundation Meeting
08/14/2024	Coconino County Stakeholder Meeting
08/15/2024	Convocation
08/19/2024	Co-Op Marketspace Tour
08/20/2024	Mike Penca, FUSD Meeting
08/21/2024	Rich Michal and Patrick Hurley Meeting
08/21-23/2024	AC4 Retreat
08/23/2024	Matt Ryan County Natural Area Dedication
08/23/2024	Andy Bertelson, Coconino County Meeting
08/23/2024	Paramedic Graduation Remarks
08/27/2024	Staff Council Chair Meeting
08/27/2024	Tour Boys and Girls Club
08/27/2024	Gail Jackson, ECoNA Meeting
08/28/2024	Cheryl Mango-Paget, Coconino County Superintendent of Schools Meeting
08/28/2024	DGB Meeting
08/29/2024	Faculty Senate President Meeting
08/29/2024	Police Chief Meeting
08/29/2024	Michael Marquess and Patrick Hurley Meeting

Upcoming Travel

October

Lumina P3 Convening

NCWE Conference, Minneapolis, MN

Arizona Administrators Conference, Lake Havasu, AZ

ACCT Leadership Congress, Seattle, AZ