

PIKES PEAK STATE COLLEGE | SEPTEMBER 2-15, 2024

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On September 16, 1810 - Mexico won its Independence from Spain and Fiestas Patrias (Patriotic Festival) became a national celebration, a patriotic holiday in Mexico. Fiestas Patrias was kicked off by "The Grito" or "The Shout of Freedom" by Priest Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla from Colima, Mexico. This "shout" was felt country wide as an expression of liberty and is widely celebrated all over Mexico today. Millions of people attend annual Fiestas Patrias events in cities across the United States as an homage to their cultural history.

On September 13th, 2022, Colorado Springs City Council made a historic recognition of the Hispanic community by unanimously consenting to recognize September 15th through October 15th as Hispanic

Heritage Month. Fiestas Patrias was a part of the historic recognition that several Latina women including several from The Latina Equity Foundation received as a part of their efforts in the community.

Join PPSC and the COS community for a two-day family festival in the heart of downtown Colorado Springs, bringing people from diverse Hispanic origins to create a cultural fusion! This full-day event will provide live music & dancing, mexican wrestling, vendor booths, and plenty of food. This will also help to generate revenue from rural areas and the rest of Southern Colorado. Fiestas Patrias Colorado. (n.d.). What is Fiestas Patrias? Fiestas Patrias Colorado.

https://www.fiestaspatriascolorado.com/



Scan the QR code to sign up:

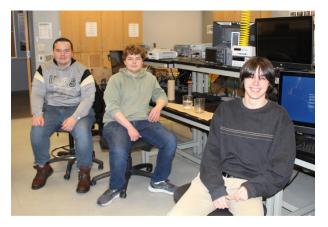
Contact brian.pumilia@pikespeak.edu or zach.lebsock@pikespeak.edu with questions.

KUDOS

KUDOS TO BLAKE MACDONALD FOR ISS EXPERIMENT GOING TO SPACE!

Congratulations to PPSC Engineering student, Blake MacDonald, along with two students from UCCS, for being selected to fly their experiment to the International Space Station (ISS) this month! The project, "Calcium Sulfate Crystal Growth in Microgravity," was chosen from among ten proposals involving 45 students nationwide. This cutting edge experiment will explore how microgravity impacts crystal growth and could have significant applications in future space missions. The experiment is set to launch aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket from NASA's Kennedy Space Center on September 17, 2024. We are so proud of you, Blake! Contact mckenna.lovejoy@pikespeak.edu to learn

how you can tune it to the launch.



CLUBS

CUP OF JOE WITH SVO Wed., Sept. 11, 9–11 a.m. Veteran's Memorial Courtyard (between the Atrium & C building), Centennial

All PPSC faculty, staff, and students are invited to enjoy free coffee provided by Olde Town Coffee Shop. Join the Military and Veteran's Program and Student Veteran's Organization as we welcome the fall semester.

Contact svo@pikespeak.edu or call 719-502-4100 with questions.

NAVIGATORS BIBLE STUDY

Every Tue., 10-11 a.m. | Grove, Centennial

Any student interested in Bible study and fellowship is welcome! Join us for weekly sessions where we study the Bible together, support and encourage one another, and enjoy fellowship as believers. Contact sjung20@student.cccs.edu with questions.

ARMONÍA HISPANA Every Thu., 12:30–2 p.m. Learning Commons, A200v, Centennial

This student-led, peer support group for Spanishspeaking students helps you express yourself, build community, improve your college experience, and receive academic support. Drop-ins and Splanglish! Este grupo de apoyo dirigido por estudiantes para estudiantes hispanohablantes te ayuda a expresarte, construir comunidad, mejorar tu experiencia universitaria y recibir apoyo académico. iVisítanos sin cita previa y habla Spanglish! Contact jackal.tanelorn@pikespeak.edu or call 719-659-9768 with questions.

ACTIVITIES

INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL

Tue., Sept. 17, 5–7 p.m. | A262, Centennial Campus Students can join our intramural volleyball season, running every Tuesday from September 17 to October 15, 5-7 p.m. Compete and learn a new sport! Contact recandwellness@pikespeak.edu with questions.

SEPT. 23-27, 2024 **INTRODUCING PPSC'S FIRST ANNUAL HISPANIC HERITAGE WEEK**

Sept. 23 | Motivational Monday

9 a.m.-1 p.m. | Centennial Campus, 2nd Floor Rotunda: Participate in the Passport to Completion launch.

Sept. 24 | Teaching Tuesday

9 a.m.–11 a.m. | Centennial Campus, Atrium: Learn about San Luis Valley educators' lesson plan project.

Sept. 25 | Wellness Wednesday

9 a.m.-1 p.m. | Centennial Campus, 2nd Floor Rotunda: Meet the Wellness Coordinator and explore PPSC wellness offerings.

Sept. 26 | Thoughtful Thursday

9-10 a.m. | Centennial Campus, Atrium: Zumba 5–8:30 p.m. | Downtown Learning Commons and Mulliken Black Box: Bilingual Poetry Reading con CALMA

Sept. 27 | Fiesta Friday

11 a.m.-3 p.m. | Centennial Campus, Atrium and Lot D: Join the fun at the 2nd Annual Hispanic Heritage Festival.

Contact Araceli at jdelgado40@student.cccs.edu with questions.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MEET & GREET

Wed, Sept. 4, 5:30 p.m. | Room S115, Downtown Behavioral Health students and potential students are invited to meet peers, learn more about the program, explore career planning, and build community within the Behavioral Health department. Contact ppsc.behavioralhealth@pikespeak.edu or 719-502-3800 with questions.

LATELY AT PPSC

Field Trip to Pikes Peak Veterinary Clinic: Earlier this month, Career Start students in the Vet Assistant program toured Pikes Peak Veterinary Clinic, where they observed a dental procedure and interacted with the clinic's bearded dragon and kittens up for adoption. This field trip gave students a behind-thescenes look at the operations of a veterinary clinic. To learn more about the Veterinary Assistant program, contact regina.reyes@pikespeak.edu with questions.



2024 PARLEY NOW AVAILABLE! Learning Common, Centennial & Rampart **Publications Office, S234 Downtown**

The 2024 edition of Parley is now available! Parley showcases the incredible art and talent of PPSC students. Print copies can be picked up at the Centennial and Rampart Learning Commons, and Downtown at the Publications office (S234). Get yours today!

Contact mandy.solomon@pikespeak.edu or sarah.mcmahon@pikespeak.edu with questions.

Want to get published in Parley, PPSC's literary and arts journal? We are accepting poetry, fiction, nonfiction, photography, and visual art. Please email parley@pikespeak.edu to submit.

PPSC TO UCCS TRANSFER INFORMATION SESSIONS

Tue., Sept. 10, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. | A140, Centennial

Students interested in transferring from PPSC to UCCS can meet with advisors to ask questions, get personalized advice, and assistance with the transfer and application process. Informal sessions are available throughout the fall semester at both Centennial and Rampart campuses. Contact lisa.rosenberg@pikespeak.edu for more details!



Pikes Peak State College is offering 3 new scholarships for basic needs, academic needs, and childcare needs. Scholarships reward selected students with up to \$400 a semester. Open to all to current students enrolled in at least 6 credit hours. Scan the QR code to learn more.