



## MESSAGE TO STUDENTS, MISSION STATEMENT, LEARNING OUTCOMES, AND RSCCD INFORMATION



### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Although SCC is one of the newer institutions of higher learning in California, tens of thousands of students already have discovered

the high quality of education available at SCC. With degrees and certificates available in almost 50 fields of study, SCC provides clear pathways for university transfer and career technical education. We're committed to helping students achieve these core outcomes: to learn, to act, to communicate, and to think critically.

If you ask our students what they like about SCC, they'll tell you that they get personal attention from faculty who are leaders as professors, counselors, and librarians. Caring staff members and administrators work hard to help students reach their goals. Many quality services are available to students, including counseling, financial aid, tutoring, career development, library services, and more. SCC is dedicated to student success.

Sincerely,

John Weispenning, Ph.D.

### SANTIAGO CANYON COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Santiago Canyon College is an innovative learning community dedicated to intellectual and personal growth. Our purpose is to foster student success and to help students achieve these core outcomes: to learn, to act, to communicate and to think critically. We are committed to maintaining standards of excellence and providing accessible, transferable, and engaging education to a diverse community.

### INSTITUTIONAL STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

To achieve our mission, SCC has identified Institutional Learning Outcomes with four core competencies: Learn, Communicate, Act, and Think. Students will be able to

**Learn**—About Self and Others, Academic and Professional Issues

- Take responsibility for one's own learning and wellbeing.
- Learn about one's chosen academic major, while creating connections across disciplines.
- Learn about professional conduct, including workplace and community ethics, conflict management, and teamwork.

**Communicate**—With Clarity and Accuracy and in Diverse Environments

- Communicate ideas in a clear and articulate manner.
- Communicate accurately to diverse audiences.
- Communicate in various formats using diverse technologies.

**Act**—With Awareness of Self and the Local and Global Community of Persons

- Act to maintain one's dignity and self-respect.
- Act as a responsible community member who treats others with respect, civility, empathy, honesty and dignity.
- Act to increase the wellbeing of the global community by maintaining cultural literacy, lifelong learning, ethical consideration of each other, and the environment we all share.

**Think**—Critically, Creatively, and Reflectively

- Critically analyze, evaluate, organize and use quantitative and qualitative data to solve problems and develop logical models, hypotheses and beliefs.
- Creatively use concepts to making learning relevant.
- Reflectively assess one's values, assumptions, and attitudes.

### RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Governed locally by a seven-member Board of Trustees elected by the citizens of the district, Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD) is a part of the California community college system, one of the three segments of the public post-secondary educational systems in the state.

RSCCD, located in central Orange County, encompasses 193 square miles with a population of approximately 770,000. The district's boundaries include all of the K-12 schools within the Orange and Santa Ana Unified School Districts, as well as a portion of the Garden Grove Unified School District. RSCCD's boundaries extend from the eastern portion of the city of Garden Grove, around the perimeters of Santa Ana, Orange, Villa Park, and Anaheim Hills, and east to the Riverside County line.

#### Santiago Canyon College and Santa Ana College

SCC is among the newest community colleges in California. RSCCD was formed in 1971 to serve the cities of Orange, Villa Park and Anaheim Hills. SCC (formerly the Orange Campus) began offering classes in 1985, and became an independently accredited college in January 2000.

Santa Ana College opened in 1915 as an extension of Santa Ana High School, and is the fourth oldest community college in California. Located first on the campus of Santa Ana High School, it moved to downtown Santa Ana, and then to its present location in 1947.

Enrollment in district programs for fall 2014 totaled 55,022 with 39,004 enrolled in college credit courses and 16,018 enrolled in Continuing Education. The Community Services Program serves 1,866 residents district-wide in not for credit, fee-supported classes.

Santiago Canyon College offers 154 degrees and certificates in credit programs including transfer and career majors as well as 27 certificates in Continuing Education programs.