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Budget 2018/19

New State Funding Formula Announced

Since the release of the Governor's Proposed Budget in January, discussions have been ongoing at the State and Local levels regarding the proposed new funding formula.

The proposed new funding formula includes student success indicators, student need indicators, and enrollment.

As to the Taft College budget, preliminary revenue assumptions have been determined and the District is beginning to work on the 2018-2019 budget development. Per the approved budget development calendar, a preliminary WKCCD will be brought to the Board of Trustees in June 2018.

If you have any questions regarding the budget please contact Brock McMurray at 763-7811, or Amanda Bauer at 763-7853.



CAMPUS SKYLINE GROWS

Student Center Walls Bring New Views to TC Quad

Measure A projects from the voter approved bond in 2004 have updated the Taft College campus dramatically over the last decade and a half.

While the evolution of upgrades have occurred slowly, the opportunities and robust energy from a now resourceful campus have brought an invigorated life to classrooms.

Construction on the Student Center project is continuing—which will be the capstone to the Measure A projects. Currently the building is in the steel installation phase, which includes installation of the steel col-

umns, beams, and decking. The phase after steel installation will be wall framing. This much anticipated building will serve students with an on-campus bookstore, updated cafeteria facility, and many other features now spread through out the campus.



Welcome New Hires

Dr. Vickie Kimbrough	Director of Dental Hygiene
Andrew Prestage	Executive Director of Information Services
Mireya Zermeno	TRIO-SSS Technician I
Tiffani Holder	Bookstore Clerk
Francisco Uribe	Evening Custodian
Makayla Payne	Administration Clerk—HR
Everardo Lemus	Children's Center Office Manager
Tosha Romandia	Administration Clerk—Learning Center
Deanne Woods	Administration Clerk—HR
Jessica White	Testing Technician II
Antonio Alfaro	Learning Disabilities Specialist



HR Staff Busy with Recruitment Boom

Since January of this year, the key word in Human Resources Department has been recruitment. Team HR has processed 325 applications for 33 positions in just over two months. Fifteen of those positions are still open, which includes several adjunct pools for Summer and the 2018-19 school year. Ten positions have been filled and eight positions are currently in screening committee or the interview process. The HR staff and screening committees for these positions have definitely been busy.

Also on the horizon is open enrollment for Aflac that is scheduled to begin mid-April with an exciting new benefit for staff to be announced. Staff will receive more information soon.

Bookstore Happenings

Graduation Fair

The Graduation Fair kicks off on March 12th through April 6th. Students with an active ASO card may order their regalia and receive a 10% discount off their regalia package purchase. Flyer

Bookstore Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for two Taft College Bookstore scholarships. The scholarships will be awarded to returning TC students, and they will receive a \$250.00 gift certificate redeemable at the Taft College Bookstore. Students may apply online at the TC website or receive an application from the Financial Aid Office. All applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 16th.

TIL Reunion

The Taft College Bookstore will be hosting an Open House for the 2018 TIL Reunion on Friday, March 16th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Attendees will receive a 20% discount on collegiate merchandise that evening, or a 20% discount promo code for those who prefer online shopping.

GRAD FAIR

Preorder your Graduation Regalia at the Taft College Bookstore

March 12th-April 6th

Receive a 10% discount with your TC ASB Sticker by placing your order by March 16th!

* purchase upon pickup option available

- **Cougar Package—\$119.99**

Includes: Cap, Gown, Tassel, Stole, 10 Announcements, TC Zipper Pull Medallion and Hawaiian KuKui Nut Necklace

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- **Gold Package—\$109.99**

Includes: Cap, Gown, Tassel, Stole, 10 Announcements and TC Zipper Pull Medallion

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- **Black Package—\$99.99**

Includes: Cap, Gown, Tassel, Stole and 10 Announcements

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- **Basic Package—\$69.99**

Includes: Cap, Gown, Tassel and 10 Announcements

All regalia is also available separately. Commencement Ceremony May 18, 2018

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Getting Out of the Classroom

Meet Your Professor Day Brings Students and Staff Together

Social and Behavioral Science professors held a Meet Your Professor day in an effort to get to know students in a more personal

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way. The informal get together was held in the Cougar Room and allowed students to

stop in and interact with professors in an informal setting. With games and food, the event was a comfortable way to break the ice with students new to the courses or to the campus.

“We want to develop deep connections with our students, and keep them engaged on campus,” said Division Chair Dr. Michelle Oja. “The event was a success. Over 70 students dropped in to chat and play games. All full time division faculty participated and many part-time faculty



Visit www.taftcollege.edu/social-behavioral-science/
for more department information and resources

