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**From:** Jill Stearns  
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**To:** Jill Stearns  
**Subject:** Campus note

Promise Day was a fabulous introduction of Cuesta College to our local high school seniors. The energy in the gym was contagious and the students were still enthusiastic as they loaded into the buses to return home. Thank you to the wonderful team that made the event possible!

**Accreditation** The external evaluation visit is now less than a year away, scheduled for September 28 – October 1, 2020. The Institutional Self Evaluation Report (ISER) is making its way through our participatory governance process a Standard at a time and is available for review online on the [accreditation webpage](#). You are encouraged to use the link provided on the site to provide feedback to the Accreditation Steering Committee and writing team. Your careful reading and input are critical to the iterative writing process.

**Construction Alerts** The Cuesta College Bond Team has updated the format of construction alerts making it easier to identify projects that may impact your area(s) of campus. As work on the fiber connection, roofs, and roadways continues, the newly revised alerts will provide information at-a-glance with visuals. Thank you for your patience as the campus upgrades continue!

**Transfer** Over the past year, I was a fellow in the UC Davis Wheelhouse. This intensive professional development program for community college CEOs required considerable reading and homework in preparation for the three convenings on the UC Davis campus. Last month, Cuesta College's pursuit of a transfer CSU partner was presented as a case study by Dr. Matthew Miller, Harvard School of Education, and me. It was exciting and very valuable to share our challenge and journey with 17 colleagues from across our system. In particular, it was encouraging to receive feedback from leaders who understand the context of both student transfer opportunity and the SCFF. Later the same day, Gardner Institute announced their research, to be released in 2020, on transfer as a social justice imperative. I am hopeful that this national work will advance our efforts to increase access to transfer for our graduates.

**Cuestionian** The Cuestionian has returned to a grateful campus! I have heard such wonderful expressions of appreciation for this first edition of the Cuestionian from many of our campus community members. I enjoyed the opportunity to peruse both the paper and [online](#) versions and thoroughly enjoyed my meeting with two engaging reporters yesterday afternoon. Thank you Cyrus Saatsaz for leading this committed group of student journalists.

**College governance** A reminder, you can keep up to date with agendas, minutes, and related documents through myCuesta, Sharepoint, and through this [link](#)!

*The smallest deed is better than the greatest intention.*  
John Burroughs

Warm regards,



*Jill Stearns, Ph.D.*

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