

# REGION VIII NEWSLETTER

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### **Advocacy Academy**

12/4-12/6

Santa Clara Marriott

### **Federal Advocacy Academy**

03/07-03/10

Washington Marriott

### **General Assembly 2027**

04/09-04/11

Sheraton San Diego Resort

## REGION VIII COLLEGES

Cerritos College College Citrus College Coastline College Cypress College Fullerton College Golden West College Irvine Valley College Long Beach City College Mt. San Antonio College Orange Coast College Rio Hondo College Saddleback College Santiago Canyon College

# LETTER FROM THE RAD

*Gustavo A Sanchez*

*Hello Everyone!*

This year, Region VIII demonstrated what can happen when student leaders come together with a shared purpose. Together, we represented more than 300,000 students across Los Angeles and Orange County and continued to make our voices heard at the statewide level.

I also want to recognize the incredible work of our delegates.

This year, Region VIII delegates successfully passed 53 resolutions, demonstrating their commitment to advocacy and improving the student experience across California Community Colleges. These resolutions reflect the passion, dedication, and hard work of student leaders throughout our region.

One of the biggest lessons I will take away from this experience is that leadership is not about titles. Leadership is about service. It is showing up for students, supporting one another, and working toward something bigger than ourselves. The relationships I have built and the lessons I have learned through this role are things I will carry with me long after my term ends. Thank you everyone for all your hard work!

*Sincerely,*

*Gustavo Sanchez*

*Regional Affairs Director*



# LETTER FROM THE LAD

*Carlo Flores-Olson*

*Hello Everyone!*

It's been truly an amazing year serving this beautiful region of student advocates. I can think back to some many amazing memories across each of the events that we held with my amazing executive regional team and the delegates that showed up for the events. We as a region truly grew in comparison to last year with engagement and with more legislative outreach. This was only thanks to everyone who stood by us through everything this year, and making sure to be a consistent face at every conference.



Of course there is still room for improvement in every area, which I'm looking forward to what the next Region VIII has in store. May each of you continue down your path in life being civically engaged no matter what form that might be, make sure to fight for what you believe in. And to that...

*Region VIII signing off,*

*Carlo Flores-Olson*

*Legislative Affairs Director*



# LETTER FROM THE COMMS OFFICER

*Sharon J Fabian*

*Hello Everyone!*

As the year has come to an end I would like to take this time to thank everyone who helped Region VIII with it's efforts to advocate for student. I want to especially thank my fellow officers for all their hard work this year, as well as their kind friendship. SSCCC has opened so many opportunities for me and I would like to thank organization for the experience I gained. My advocacy skills have grown remarkably. The connections I've met have been helped me in many ways and it is bittersweet for me to say goodbye. To everyone who is interested in advocacy I would like to say one thing actions speak louder that words. Often we get hung up on titles but a title doesn't really mean anything if one doesn't do the work. I wish Region VIII the best of luck and please reach out if you ever need anything :)



*Sincerely,*

*Sharon Fabian*  
*Communications Officer*



# LETTER FROM THE STUDENT INTERN

*Zsofi Killeen*

*Hello Everyone!*

First off, congratulations to everyone on finishing their finals and to those who are transferring! I came into my internship a bit late- I only joined the rest of my executive board and everyone else in the SSCCC in January, but I am so thankful for my time here. Working alongside such passionate and dedicated individuals has been truly meaningful, and I will always appreciate the lessons and memories I gained during my time with SSCCC.

Although this chapter is ending, I will always remember the experiences and connections I made here with me moving forward. Thank you once again, and I wish the entire SSCCC Region VIII continued success in all your futures.

*Sincerely,*

*Zsofi Killeen*

*Student Intern*



# END OF THE YEAR EVENT

*Host by Mt Sac*

## End of the Year Event

On June 11<sup>th</sup> Region VIII held their last Delegate Assembly along with their End of the Year Event. A big thank you to Mt. San Antonio College and Vice Chair Mia Vo who welcomed us to their campus. RAD Sanchez gave his state of the region address and delegates and officers got to say a final thank you. As we wrap the year up I would like to thank everyone for the amazing year we had and all the work we got done. Keep up the work!



# THANK YOU FOR READING!

