

# Spring 2024 Highlights



- The college achieved a historic milestone with nearly **8,000 degrees and certificates** conferred in the graduation celebration **1**
- Student team Project F.I.R.E. won the Future Game-Changer Award at NASA's 2024 Gateways to Blue Skies Competition **2**
- Dental hygiene students won first place in the California Dental Hygienists' Association's **Student Poster Competition**
- Renewed partnership with **National University** gives more affordable transfer pathways to students
- Advanced Transportation and Logistics Center Sector Navigator Jannet Malig was honored with the **Jane Pisano Award for Women in Leadership and Public Service** from the American Society for Public Administration
- Sophomore outfielder **Jazmine Macias** was named to the National Fastpitch Coaches Association's (NFCA) All-American team and received the New Balance/NFCA Golden Shoe Award **3**
- **Falcon women's wrestling** won the second consecutive CCCAA State Championship; Head Coach Dustin Kirk is also a back-to-back CCCAA Coach of the Year
- Third Economic Development Summit highlighted Cerritos College as a driving force for the region, **contributing \$537.4 million to the local economy**



- Teacher TRAC students **Alessandra Rey and Tina Lopez** won a prestigious National Association of Community College Teacher Education Programs scholarship
- **State of the College** highlighted the value of a college degree to students and the community
- Culinary arts celebrated **50 years of excellence** 4
- Rep. Linda Sánchez secured **\$1 million to expand Child Development Center**
- Rep. Michelle Steel secured **\$1 million to boost student veteran employment** at Cerritos College 5
- Robotics Club won the **Judges' Award** at the VEX U Tournament 6
- California Community Colleges **Chancellor Dr. Sonya Christian** shared Vision 2030, a state-wide community college action plan to promote equity in educational access and success for underserved students
- The new **Student Services and Administration Building** broke ground 7
- Faculty from the dental hygiene and mental health worker programs were honored with the **2024 League for Innovation in Community Colleges Excellence Award**
- Cerritos College celebrated the reopening of its classroom location at the **Norwalk-La Mirada Adult School**
- The college received **\$20,000 from the Golden Globe Foundation** to support diversity in journalism
- The Economic Development Center for Corporate Training received a **\$500,000 grant** from the California Employment Training Panel

