



## The Monday Minute

*April 6, 2026*

We're heading into Week 7, nearly halfway through the semester, and there's a lot of important work moving forward across campus. We hope you have a wonderful week!

### **This Monday Minute includes:**

- Program Review: April 17, 2026 Deadline Approaching!
- Mt. SAC New Class Search
- California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office: AI Resource Hub
  
- Contractual Deadlines Information: April 17, 2026
- The Arts Division and Associated Students: Mural Unveiling
- Celebrate! Excellence in Energy and Sustainability – Climate Action Leadership Award (Eera Baktiwale)
- Important Dates and Information



### **Program Review - Deadline Approaching**

With the Program Review deadline less than two weeks away, we want to share a few key reminders to support you in completing your submission.

- **Submission deadline:** *Friday, April 17, 2026*
- **Nuventive Training:** Registration is still open via POD Connect: [Program Review: Nuventive](#)

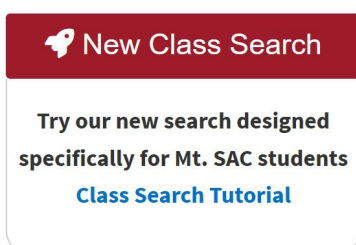
[Training and More!](#) Two sessions remain.

- **Office Hours:** Two additional program review office hours are available – please visit the [Program Review Website](#) for dates, times, and zoom link.

If you have any questions or need support, we are here to help—please feel free to reach out.

Thank you,

[Patty Quiñones](#) and [Jennifer Hinostroza](#)



### **Mt. SAC New Class Search**

Monica Cantu-Chan and the It Team are excited to announce the soft launch of our [NEW Class Search](#), which was made available on **March 30, 2026!** This enhanced tool has been designed with students and employees in mind, offering a more modern, intuitive, and user-friendly experience when searching for classes.

#### **What's New:**

- **Modern Look & Feel:** A clean, streamlined interface that makes navigating and exploring class options easier than ever.
- **Improved Search Experience:** Faster results with more flexible filtering options to help users quickly find the classes they need.
- **Enhanced Usability:** Designed to be more intuitive and accessible, reducing the number of steps to locate key information.
- **Mobile-Friendly Design:** Optimized for use across devices, including smartphones and tablets .

The new Class Search is intended to enhance the class search experience, serving as a companion to the current Self-Service Banner 9 registration system. Students will continue to register for classes through Self-Service Banner (SSB 9), while benefiting from a

more efficient and visually engaging way to explore available courses.

You can access the new Class Search here: [Mt. SAC New Clas Search link](#).

Take a quick tour of the new Class Search by watching this brief overview video: [Brief Video Tour](#)

Thank you for your support. Please reach out to [Monica Cantu-Chan](#) or [Loralyn Isomura](#) if you have any questions.



**California Community College Chancellor's Office: AI Should be Built by the People Doing the Work**

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has launched a centralized [AI resource hub website](#) designed to support colleges in building AI literacy, aligning practices, and navigating emerging guidance across instruction, policy, and student engagement. The site brings together tools, examples, and system-level direction as colleges work to integrate AI in ways that are thoughtful, practical, and grounded in student success.

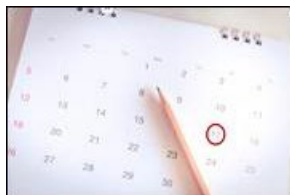
Below are a few key highlights from the Chancellor's Office's new AI resource hub for colleges:

- [Centralized CCCCCO hub](#) with AI tools, guidance, and emerging practices for colleges.
- Focus on building AI literacy across instruction, policy, and student engagement.
- Reinforces the importance of faculty-led implementation and support structures.
- Encourages continued engagement with system resources as AI guidance evolves.

As this work continues to evolve, there is an opportunity to stay connected to system resources while building on the strong foundation already in place at Mt. SAC.

Please reach out to [Tiffany Kuo](#) for additional information.

## Contractual Deadlines



### **Contractual Deadlines: Friday, April 17, 2026**

With key spring evaluation deadlines approaching, this is a reminder of required faculty submissions tied to the [faculty contract](#). These items are due as part of the evaluation cycle, and we encourage you to review the full details in the [Spring 2026 Faculty Contract Deadlines](#) document or the [faculty contract](#).

- **18.J Regular Faculty Evaluation (full-time faculty).** Includes completion of Appendix H.11 (Yearly Report of Service to the College) and Appendix H.6.a (Self-Evaluation).
- **H.6.b Department Chair Self-Evaluation (full-time faculty).** This is to be submitted to the Dean.
- **H.1.b Department Chair Peer Evaluation Form (full-time and adjunct faculty):** This is completed by full-time or adjunct faculty and submitted to the Dean. These forms are kept confidential.

These submissions are required components of the evaluation process and should be completed by the established deadline. Please reach out to [Emily Woolery](#) or [Joshua Christ](#) if you have any questions. Thank you!



### **Arts Division and Associated Students: Mural Unveiling**

The Arts Division and Associated Students are thrilled to invite you to celebrate a vibrant new addition to the Student Center. Please join us for the official Student Center **Mural Unveiling** as we bring the arts to life in the Student Center. This mural is a testament to student vision and our collective commitment to a campus

environment that reflects our community's identity and aspirations.

**Event Details:**

**Date: Friday, April 17, 2026**

**Time: 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**Location: Multicultural Center (formal program to start at the Multicultural Center)**

We look forward to seeing you there! This event is open to all members of the Mt. SAC campus community.

Please reach out to [Dr. Janetta Dismuke Page](#) if you have any questions.



**2025 Energy and Sustainability Award Winners Honored by California Community Colleges Board of Governors**

*SACRAMENTO, Calif.* – The California Community Colleges Board of Governors recently honored leading innovators and standout programs with the [2025 Energy and Sustainability Awards](#) for their ongoing efforts of to achieve environmental sustainability while advancing the goals of the system’s strategic plan, [Vision 2030](#).

Six awards were handed out at the Board of Governors meeting on Tuesday, March 24 in Sacramento. The honorees, recognized for outstanding achievements in energy and sustainability, include Riverside Community, Sonoma County Junior, and Kern Community College Districts; Shasta College; and leaders from Contra Costa Community College District and Mt. San Antonio College.

The Board of Governors Energy and Sustainability Awards were established in 2012 and hold even greater significance today because climate initiatives are embedded into Vision 2030. The system’s strategic plan also calls for leadership from California’s community colleges in climate action in workforce development and daily operations.

**Excellence in Energy and Sustainability – Climate Action Leadership Award**

**Eera Babtiwale** has served as Mt. San Antonio College's (Mt. SAC) special projects director, sustainability since 2020. Babtiwale has demonstrated exceptional statewide leadership in climate policy execution, decarbonization planning, Mt. SAC's second Climate Action Plan and more. Babtiwale played a key role in the California Community Colleges Solar and Storage RFP, helping develop a unified bid to advance cost-efficient renewable energy access across the system, leading to the Mt. SAC Solar Bess Project.

Congratulations Eera!

### **Important Dates and Information**



- **Program Review Deadline:** Friday, April 17, 2026
- **[Mt. SAC 2035 Mini-grant Applications](#)** Due: Thursday, April 30, 2026
- **Memorial Day (Campus Closed):** Monday, May 25, 2026
- **Summer 2026 Canvas Merged Requests** Due: Friday, June 5, 2026
- **Spring 2026 Finals Week:** June 8 – June 14, 2026
- **Mt. SAC Commencement:** Friday, June 12, 2026 (evening)
- **Fall 2026 Final Grades (16-week classes):** Tuesday, June 16, 2026 (at 8 pm)
- **First Day of Summer 2026:** Monday, June 22, 2026
- **Fall 2026 Canvas Merged Requests** Due: Thursday, August 6, 2026
- **First Day of Fall 2026:** Monday, August 24, 2026
- **[Mt. SAC 2025 - 2026 Academic Calendar](#)**
- **[Mt. SAC 2026 - 2027 Academic Calendar](#)**
- **[Mt. SAC 2035 Education and Facilities Comprehensive Plan](#)**
- **[Mt. SAC Calendar of Events](#)**

Thank you for the steady, day-to-day work that keeps students moving forward. We appreciate you.

Please continue to work closely with your [Dean or Division Office](#) to share your concerns and identify any assistance needed.

We are here to support you.

Thank you,  
Kelly Fowler



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