

# Career Education

## — Spring 2024 Newsletter —



Left to right: Rodnesha Hill, Tonya Burke, Emily Cardiel, Terry Vaughan, Dr. Marilyn Harvey, Rebecca Klein, Nikisha Bond, and Dr. Joselyn Hill

### The Pitch Competition

— Programs, updates, and upcoming events —

## **A message from Joyce Johnson, Vice President of Career Education**

As we embark on this 2024-2025 academic year, I am thrilled to extend a warm welcome to each of you to our institution's renewed focus on Career Education. Our commitment to preparing students for high-wage, high-skill jobs in the Inland Empire stands at the forefront of our mission here at Mt. San Jacinto College.

To our esteemed faculty members, your dedication and passion for guiding and shaping the next generation of professionals are truly commendable. Your expertise and mentorship play a vital role in our students' career development journey, and we are grateful for your unwavering support.



*Joyce Johnson*  
*Vice President, Career Education,*  
*Nursing & Allied Health*

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To our ambitious students, we present a wealth of opportunities for growth, learning, and exploration. As you engage in our Career Education programs, I encourage you to seize every chance to expand your skills, knowledge, and experiences. Your future success in the workforce starts here, and we are here to equip you with the tools and resources you need to thrive.

Together, let us make this semester a transformative and enriching experience as we work toward our common goal of preparing you for the high-demand careers of tomorrow. I look forward to witnessing your achievements and successes throughout this academic year and encourage you to visit [www.msjc.edu/CareerEducation](http://www.msjc.edu/CareerEducation) to learn more about all our programs.

*Here's to your successful and fulfilling educational journey ahead!*

## Welcome to Apprenticeship and Work-Based Learning!

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We are excited to welcome three exceptional new team members who will empower students through the Apprenticeship and Work Based Learning (AWBL) unit.

Joining us is renowned producer K. Elle Jones as our AWBL Program Navigator. With decades of experience amplifying impactful stories, her trailblazing marketing communications and branding expertise will help us guide students to explore meaningful career paths. K. Elle is also a champion of inclusivity, spotlighting diverse voices through her award-winning work.

Additionally, we welcome Blanca Lopez, our new Apprenticeship Workplace Specialist. Blanca brings extensive background in community outreach and development to connect college programs with regional needs. Her passion for transforming lives and dedication to education access epitomizes our mission of lifelong learning.

And leading apprenticeship programming is Terrance Green, our accomplished Apprenticeship Supervisor. With over 30 years of leadership guiding teams and designing training, including in the U.S. Navy, Terrance's capabilities will prove invaluable as we expand offerings and pave pathways that empower students' success.

We are thrilled to have their collective wealth of talents on board for spearheading hands-on learning opportunities. Please join us in welcoming Terrance, Blanca, and K. Elle! Their experience strongly supports our mission of career empowerment through work-based education.



*K. Elle Jones*  
AWBL Program Navigator



*Blanca Lopez*  
Apprenticeship Workplace Specialist



*Terrance Green*  
Apprenticeship Supervisor

Spring Semester is official! Here's the latest:

## The Pitch Contest - Students and Small Business Success

Career Education Job Developer/Placement Coordinator Rodnesha Hill and the Apprenticeship & Work-Based Learning (AWBL) Team held a professional competition, The Pitch, for students to build their small business ideas and pitch their plan to a live panel.

Emily Cardiel, our first-place winner, received a certificate of achievement and monetary award for her design business, EmmyTeddy designs. Emily creates digital art for prints such as cards and workbooks and sells them online through social media. During her pitch, Emily outlined her business operations, identified her target audience and their needs, and provided compelling strategies to market and sell her products.

We were very happy to have Emily and our 2nd and 3rd place winners Rebecca Klein and Terry Vaughan to participate and show off their business skills. Thank you to Treobytes, Go Solutions, Elevate Now Creative Media, Jackson Bond Enterprises, LLC, Go Future Greens, and the AWBL team for facilitating this event!



MSJC Job Developer/Placement Coordinator Rodnesha Hill and Pitch Contest winner Emily Cardiel



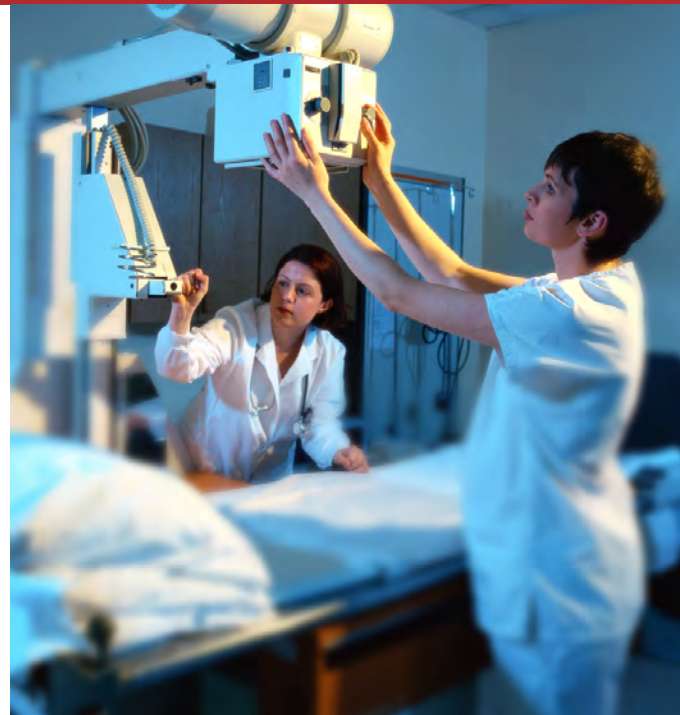
**1st Place Winner**  
Follow Emily on IG!  
[@emmyteddydesigns](https://www.instagram.com/emmyteddydesigns)

## Coming this Fall 2024 - Radiologic Technologist

Nursing and Allied Health is pleased to announce the Radiologic Technologist program will be available this fall! The RT program is an Associate of Science degree program consisting of a cohort group completing four (4) semesters and one (1) summer semester.

Radiologic Technologists specialize in x-ray and computed tomography (CT) imaging. They perform x-rays and other diagnostic imaging exams on patients to assist in diagnosing injuries and illnesses.

The program includes an 18-month clinical internship providing students an opportunity to be educated and trained in the RT career in healthcare. Stay tuned for more news later this Spring!



## Career Technical Education Month - February 2024

Every February, we celebrate CTE Month to raise awareness of the role that CTE has to prepare current and prospecting students for college and career success. We take this time to recognize and honor our students, faculty and staff for their accomplishments and commitment to CTE.

We'd like to recognize Melissa Welch and Keith Hanz, our fantastic photography instructors at MSJC. Keith and Melissa have been instructing photography students at all levels, bringing out the best creativity from their students and working around the clock to showcase the work from their students at the end of each semester. Thank you for all you do, Melissa and Keith!

Even though the month is over, our hard work from our department persists. We will be sharing more recognitions and achievements throughout the semester. Stay tuned and visit our website for updates on everything Career Education at MSJC!



*Melissa Welch and Keith Hanz at the Advanced Photography Exhibit for Fall 2023.*

## Upcoming Events

### Spring Job and Resource Fair 2024

Looking for a job? Come to the Spring Job and Resource Fair on April 11th! We will have vendors, employers, swag and more to offer!

Last year, our resource fair had employers from medical fields, law enforcement, human resources, water technology, wine industry, hospitality and more. Several students got interviewed and hired on the spot at the event!

Don't miss out! Save the date and get hired at the Spring Job and Resource Fair on April 11.



*Career Education at the Spring Job and Resource Fair, 2023.*

**Need help with your resume?  
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**Book an appointment today!**



## Upcoming Events

### Transforming Tuesdays and Thursdays

Now - May 9 | Online via Zoom

Attend a career workshop and prepare yourself for your next job or career opportunity! Polish your resume for your future career, gain confidence while interviewing, networking, and personal branding, or learn how to create a successful cover letter.

### Apprenticeship and Internship Orientations

Work Experience Education Orientation  
April 4, 2024 at 11:00 am | Online

Apprenticeship Orientation  
April 16, 2024 at 1:00 pm | Online

### Health & Wellness Job Fair

May 8, 2024 | Menifee Valley Campus

If you are looking for a job in the Healthcare Industry, this is the right place for you! Speak with multiple recruiters from the Inland Empire top employers at the Healthcare Hiring Event. Save the date!

Scan the QR code for updates and events!



**SPRING 2024**



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## Apprenticeship & Work-Based Learning

## Orientations - April 4 & 16

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