

# COLLEGE CONNECT CHRONICLE

The Monthly Newsletter of College Connect

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## MESSAGE FROM JUSTIN MORRISON

Welcome to Summer!

Summer programing has officially kicked off! It brings with it the exciting continuation of in-person groups and individuals. It has been fun watching you all reconnect with each other and make new friendships. I am proud to see the College Connect community continue to be there and support each other. It truly has been something special to be able to hang out in each other's company again. As we move through the summer, take this time and relax but also reflect. Remember that the Fall semester is right around the corner. Reflect on what you want to achieve this upcoming year and how you will achieve it. With our communities are opening back up and the chance to go exploring, use this time to experience something new or learn a new skill. This summer is for you!

## COLLEGE CONNECT UPDATES

Justin Morrison, M.A.Ed. Regional Manager

Field Trip: Walk to Legends Classic Diner

July 9, 2021

10am - 12pm or 1pm - 3pm Meet at the Main Office

<u>In-person Video Game Day</u>

July 30, 2021

10am - 12pm or 1pm - 3pm

Location: Main Office
Virtual Movie Day

July 30, 2021

1pm - 3pm

Via Zoom

Contact your student facilitator for more details



#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Corey



College Connect Chronicle is excited to highlight our July student spotlight, Corey! He was majoring in Business at Citrus College. Corey has recently graduated with his Associate's Degree in Business this past Spring semester. College Connect is proud to highlight Corey's continuous academic and personal growth.

#### WHAT DOES COLLEGE CONNECT MEAN TO YOU?

"College connect means a lot to me! They help students connect with each other.

# WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE MOMENT BEING IN COLLEGE CONNECT?

"My favorite moment was the outings before the pandemic and when we shared songs and videos with each other."

# WHAT WAS YOUR GREATEST CHALLENGE AS A STUDENT? HOW DID YOU OVERCOME IT?

"My greatest challenge was learning to ask for help from my teachers. Thanks to my student facilitator, Megan, for encouraging me to try.

#### **FUN FACT(S) ABOUT YOURSELF:**

"I like video games, anime, Star Wars, Disney, and Marvel!"

#### TEAM SPOTLIGHT

Cindy Medina



College Connect Chronicle is pleased to highlight College Connect's newest Student Facilitator, Cindy Medina! Cindy earned her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology at UC Santa Cruz. Cindy will be pursuing her Master's Degree in Marital and Family Therapy this upcoming Fall semester. She hopes to help students reach their academic and social goals.

# WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR PROUDEST MOMENT AT COLLEGE CONNECT SO FAR?

"So far it's being able to get to know everyone! Everyone has been so welcoming and I am proud to work alongside great coworkers and meet amazing students who I will be working with!"

#### WHAT ARE YOUR TOP 3 LIFE HIGHLIGHTS?

- 1. Graduating from UC Santa Cruz with a Bachelors in Psychology.
- 2. Adopting my cat Neptune!
- 3. Ziplining in Hawaii with my family!

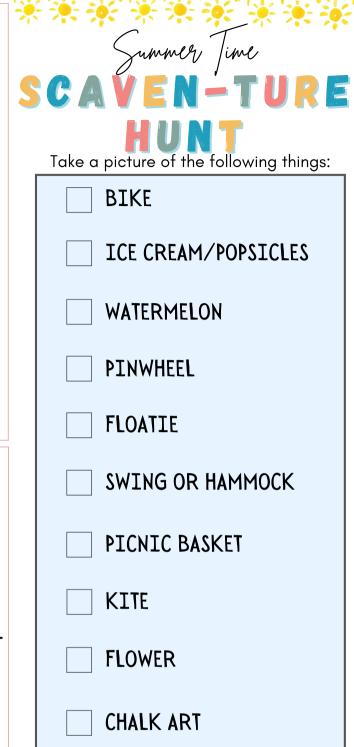
#### WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES?

- 1.I love to dance, I was in a dance team in High School and in College!
- 2.1 love to watch anime in my free time! My favorite anime so far is Re Zero!
- 3.I love to go out and play arcade games. My favorite place to go to is Round One!

#### LIFE MOTTO OR MANTRA?

"The future is bright if we can ebb with the flow"

This quote is from one of my favorite songs. It's a song called Live Well by Palace.









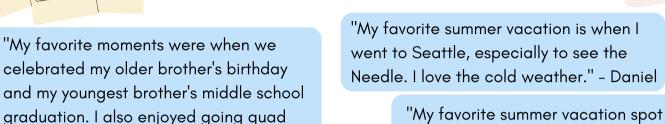
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# Destination or Memory

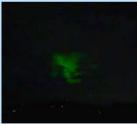


"My favorite summer vacation memory was when we went to Japan." - Felix

bike riding with my family." - Marlene

"My favorite summer moment was being able to hang out with my friends and student facilitators from College Connect." - Benedick





"My favorite summer moment was going to Denali National Park in Alaska and getting a small glimpse of the Northern Lights!" -Jianne



"My favorite summer vacation was when I went to Arches National Park." - Justin

Bolsa Chica with my family." - Steven "Hawaii is my favorite vacation spot." -Jeremiah

"My favorite summer vacation spot is

is Bolsa Chica Beach." - Nick

"My favorite summer destination is Disneyworld in Orlando." -David





"My favorite summer moments were going to baseball games and Downtown LA" - Megan



"My favorite summer memory was my trip to Costa Rica. I was able to go white river rafting for the first time. It was a scary and liberating experience. I almost drowned when our raft capsized but our tour guide was able to pull me out and told me to smile at the camera and say "Pura Vida", a Costa Rican saying to live life pure and to the fullest." - Deja



# [ College Connect June Snapshot ]

The month of June saw the opening of the College Connect pop-up experience. College Connect was able to start inperson groups and individuals once again. We wrapped up our spring curriculum by examining different study strategies for finals as well as learning how to manage our stress. Additionally, we began our summer program by building skills that will help us with our self-determination. This month also saw our first in-person outing in a while, with Game Day! Students had the opportunity to watch a movie, hang out with their peers, and play games together.





# THE COOKING CORNER

Traditional Funnel Cakes

#### <u>Ingredients</u>

- 2 cups 2% milk
- 3 large eggs
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- Oil for frying
- Confectioners' sugar
- Fruit jam or jelly



#### Directions

- In a large bowl, combine the milk, eggs and sugar. Combine flour and baking powder; beat into egg mixture until smooth.
- In a cast-iron or electric skillet, heat 2 inches oil to 375°. Cover the bottom of a funnel spout with your finger; ladle 1/2 cup batter into funnel. Holding the funnel several inches above the skillet, release your finger and move the funnel in a spiral motion until all the batter is released.
- Fry until golden brown, 1 minute on each side. Drain on paper towels. Repeat with remaining batter. Dust with confectioners' sugar. Serve warm with jam.
- Enjoy!

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## Favorite Summer Movie

We want to hear from YOU! College Connect Chronicle wants to know your favorite summer movie! Please submit to Jianne at oa@collegeconnectsupport.com! or to your student facilitator.



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