

BOARD REPORT



Upward Bound students took a tour of Cal State Fullerton and learned about the wonderful world of robotics.

UPWARD BOUND

Reedley College Upward Bound and Upward Bound Math and Science programs served 225 students from the following high schools: Reedley, Parlier, Orange Cove, Dinuba, Selma, Sanger, Fowler, and Kingsburg. Students complete courses in Underwater Robotics, Vex Robotics, Applied Biology, and English Composition. Students had a wonderful time visiting CSU Fullerton, CSU Fresno, UC Merced, UC Irvine, and UCLA along with Knotts Berry Farm. Overall, it was a very successful summer with students enjoying dorm life along with courses on the college campus. We're already looking forward to next year! Thank you to our student volunteers and staff for making this a memorable experience for our students.



FOOD SAFETY WORKSHOP COMING TO RC

The Western Growers Center for Innovation & Technology is hosting the AgTechX Food Safety initiative, a yearlong program aimed at food safety technology acceleration to improve the toolkit of rapid diagnostics and prevention technologies. The next stop in the event series is at Reedley College August 18, where there will be panels on industry issues, regulatory views and food safety innovation. The keynote speaker is Seana Day, Partner of Culterra Capital and venture partner at Better Food Ventures. Her topic of discussion: "Food Safety from an Investment Standpoint." The event runs from 1-5pm.

AG TECH CONFERENCE RETURNING TO CAMPUS



California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross headlined a very successful first conference.

The second annual Ag Tech Education Conference, presented by Western Growers and hosted by RC, will return to campus sometime in October. Last year's event was a huge success, with California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross joining us as the keynote speaker. Secretary Ross shared her thoughts in a conversation with event organizer and the Director of Western Growers Center for Innovation & Technology, Dennis Donohue. The event is held to help cultivate a future workforce with the skills and knowledge needed to navigate emerging on-farm technology. Close to 150 people attended the conference, and we hope to double that figure this year.

ALSO COMING SOON...

RC is planning a series of farmers market days on campus beginning in October, featuring local vendors, food trucks and more! Stay tuned for more details.

FALL CALENDAR

- August 8: Fall 2022 semester begins
- August 10: Welcome Week - 9am-11am (Dutch Bros on campus)
- August 11: Virtual Game Night - 7pm
- August 13: Football: Big Brother BBQ/Scrimmage - 6pm
- August 19: Women's Soccer: Scrimmage vs. Arvin Soccer Club - 6pm
- August 20: Football: Scrimmage vs. Monterey Peninsula - 12pm
- August 22: Intramural Volleyball - 1130am - 1pm
- August 23: Club Rush, Pathway Fair - 10am-1pm (Street tacos for sale)
- August 24: Campus Resource Fair - 10am-1pm (Dutch Bros on campus)



Two August scrimmages kick off the start of football season for the Tigers.





Child Development

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The campus continues to be buzzing with the multiple construction projects taking place simultaneously. Work on the Center for Early Childhood and Education (April, 2023), McClarty Center for the Fine and Performing Arts (November, 2023) and gymnasium floor (September, 2022) are progressing nicely and on schedule. Our athletics department is also getting a weight room makeover, with some of the equipment already on campus with more on the way throughout the summer. These updated photos were taken July 19.



Gym floor



Weight room



McClarty Center for the Fine and Performing Arts

TIGER STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: ANDREW RODRIGUEZ



RC has a very dependable group of student workers and ambassadors who do a great job helping their fellow students with an assortment of needs. Andrew Rodriguez is one of those people. Working and utilizing our Tiger Pantry, Andrew takes pride in assisting others. And, as the father to a young daughter, he is

very grateful to have resources such as the pantry to make life a little easier as he navigates his way through the academic year. We asked him a few questions about the pantry and his needs, and he graciously answered them for us in our latest installment of the Tiger Student Spotlight.

WHAT DOES THE TIGER PANTRY MEAN TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY? "It's definitely a helping hand when the end of the month comes and funds start to get low. It is a place where you can come and not feel stressed out by how many items you throw in the basket. It means a lot to have this service available on campus."

HOW IMPRESSED ARE YOU WITH THE VARIETY OF OPTIONS THE TIGER PANTRY PROVIDES STUDENTS? "I am very impressed with how many items that are available to our students, being that we have a little bit of everything and, most of all, the pantry provides essential items as well which is a huge plus."

HOW DO YOU THINK THE DIAPER PROGRAM HAS HELPED STUDENTS? "Since I've been working in the pantry, I can tell it has helped many families out because diapers are expensive, and we give them out for free. It's an awesome option for our students, and they definitely take advantage of it."

WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO WORK IN THE PANTRY? "I decided to work in the pantry so I could have more income for summer and because it makes me happy to see families get the help they need when they come to us."

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO STUDENTS WHO MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT THE TIGER PANTRY AND WHAT IT HAS TO OFFER? "I would tell a student who doesn't know anything about the pantry that it is a resource that the school offers for students to pick up free food and hygiene essentials. As of now, students have no limit and may grab as much as they need and then bag up their food and head home. Come on by and we'll take care of you."

IF YOU COULD ADD ONE FOOD ITEM TO THE PANTRY, WHAT WOULD IT BE? "If I could add one food to the pantry it would be protein shakes so if people need a quick meal replacement before a class or work they could come by and pick some up."

