



MEDIA ADVISORY

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California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley to discuss higher education and social mobility at California Economic Summit

- Who/What:** California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley will join University of California President Janet Napolitano and California State University Chancellor Timothy White for a discussion about public higher education, social mobility and workforce needs at the 2017 California Economic Summit in San Diego.
- When:** Friday, November 3, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
- Where:** Hilton San Diego Bayfront
1 Park Boulevard
San Diego, CA 92101
- Speakers:** Oakley, Napolitano and White will participate in an [Elevate CA](#) panel discussion regarding what California's public colleges and universities are doing to advance social mobility and expand California's middle class. They will also discuss the ways the California Community Colleges, UC and CSU are working together to ensure every qualified student in California, no matter their background, has access to a quality, affordable higher education. Ryan J. Smith, executive director of Education Trust-West, will moderate the discussion. Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom, Treasurer John Chiang and former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa will also speak at the Summit.

Members of the media interested in attending the panel discussion should RSVP to Jania Palacios at jania@cafwd.org or (520) 404-7643. More information on the California Economic Summit can be found [here](#).

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation composed of 72 districts and 114 colleges serving 2.1 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills courses in English and math, and prepare students for transfer to four-year universities. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. For more information about the community colleges, please visit <http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/>.

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