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CCCS Announces Kirk Young as Finalist in Pueblo Community College Presidential Search

Finalist to participate in public forum on March 14

March 13, 2024 (Denver) – Joe Garcia, chancellor of the Colorado Community College System (CCCS), announced Kirk Young, Ph.D., as a finalist in the Pueblo Community College (PCC) presidential search today. He is the current vice president of student affairs for Jamestown Community College. Read his biography on the [PCC website](#).



Young joins Chato Hazelbaker as one of three finalists in the running. The successful candidate will succeed outgoing president Dr. Patricia Erjavec, who will [retire from the position in May](#) after 14 years with the college.

Young will visit PCC tomorrow, March 14, to participate in a variety of stakeholder meetings and a community open forum to share his experiences and interest in the position. The forum will take place virtually and in person on the Pueblo Campus from 3 to 3:45 in the Hoag Theater. [Use this link to join virtually via WebEx](#).

Young was selected following a national search conducted in collaboration with executive search firm, [Isaacson, Miller](#). A nine-member search advisory committee, comprised of college and community representatives, identified the best candidates to move forward to the final round of selection.

Community feedback is instrumental to the selection process. CCCS encourages community members and stakeholders to [complete this survey](#) following Young's open forum. Chancellor Garcia will review the results before making his final decision.

For more information about the search, please visit the PCC website:

<https://pueblocc.edu/President>

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About PCC

Founded in 1933, [Pueblo Community College](#) is a premier teaching institution focused on providing academic and service excellence, without discrimination, to help its students acquire the 21st-century skills needed to better their lives. An educational and technological leader, PCC fosters economic development and utilizes strong partnerships in the communities it serves through its Pueblo, Fremont, and Southwest campuses.

About CCCS

[The Colorado Community College System](#) (CCCS) is the state's largest system of higher education, delivering more than 1,000 programs to over 115,000 students annually through 13 colleges and 35 locations across Colorado. Our open access mission ensures all Coloradans who aspire to enrich their lives have access to quality higher education opportunities. The System Office provides leadership, advocacy, and support to the colleges under the direction of the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education (SBCCOE). Join us in changing the way Colorado goes to college. Learn more at www.cccs.edu.

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