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Wishing everyone a good/restful/enjoyable spring break for those of you who can get away! When the spring quarter begins we will start with two professional development days, April 4<sup>th</sup> being a District day and focused on health and wellness and April 5<sup>th</sup> is our Foothill day which the Flex Day Committee has taken considerable time in planning. It will be a productive two days and not the usual “work” day!

I look forward to seeing you and finally, meeting as many of you as possible.

### **District Professional Development Day**

**April 4, 2022**

**Registration Link:** <https://forms.office.com/r/WWzkHcSap4> or **Registration QR Code:**



- **8:30 a.m.** – Gather outside Smithwick Theatre at Foothill College for light pastries, coffee and comradery.
- **9:00-10:00 a.m.** – Presenting **Mike Veny**, bestselling author of “Transforming Stigma: How to Become a Mental Wellness Superhero.” Mike will take us through his journey, help us acknowledge our existing challenges and assist us in envisioning our path forward. Be ready – Mike is high energy!
- **10:00-10:25 a.m.** – Break
- **10:30-11:30 a.m.** – Presenting **Anya Kamenetz**, author, and award-winning education correspondent for NPR. Anya has explored how colleges and schools have had to drastically reimagine how content is delivered in the age of COVID. Her research about the future of education and the need for innovative practices will give us plenty of food for thought!
- **11:30-12:30 p.m.** – Lunch will be provided in the Foothill College Library Quad, courtesy of the Foothill-De Anza Foundation. Enjoy time with your colleagues!
- **12:30** – Campus-based activities

*Please note: Masks will be required for the sessions occurring inside the Smithwick Theatre.*

### **FOOTHILL'S CAMPUS BASED ACTIVITIES**

- **12:30 – FOOTHILL'S ONE AND ONLY PHYSICS SHOW!**
  - Join in us watching the challenges and fun of physics as demonstrated by our very own physics faculty, Frank Cascarano and David Marasco
- **12:30** – Music from KFJC Radio, Arts & Crafts, and games
- **1:30 – Animal Assisted Happiness**
  - <https://www.animalassistedhappiness.org/>

- 1:30- Furry Friends,
  - <https://www.furryfriends.org/>

**Foothill Professional Development Day**  
**Tuesday April 5, 2022**



Link to the Canvas page where you can find the most up to date Flex Day Agenda including workshop locations and modality:

<https://foothillcollege.instructure.com/courses/20574>

- 8:30-9:00am *Breakfast and Name Tag Pick Up\** – Library Quad
- 9:00-11:00am Division/Department Morning Meetings
- 11:10am-12:00pm concurrent workshops #1 – Locations/Modality, TBD
  - Collaborating with Colleagues (code name POOR)
  - Equitable Innovations: Drawing Live Models on Zoom
  - Impact of remote work and learning on transportation, and reduced GHG
  - Year Two: Mindfulness practices in the classroom
  - Bridging Community and College
  - Mission (I'm) Possible Council (MIP-C) – Foothill's new governance structure
- 12:00-1:00pm Lunch – Library Quad
- 1:10-2:00pm concurrent workshops #2 – Locations/Modality, TBA
  - Effective practices for hybrid learning
  - Enhance student engagement in Canvas courses with banners and buttons
  - Ensuring students get connected to the services they need: The Promise of Foothill Connect
  - What if we had a positive robust online Foothill workplace culture/community?
  - Traditional and pandemic dances from around the world
  - Ticket to Ride: The evolution and future of Guided Pathways at Foothill
  - Native Plant Garden: Wind down and pull weeds
- 2:00-4:00pm Division/Department Afternoon Meetings
- 4:10 -5:00 pm Presidential Search, info, feedback, process (Appreciation Hall)

*\*this will be an opportunity for me to meet many of you for the first time and for so many of us to meet each other either for the first time or again*

Best regards,

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