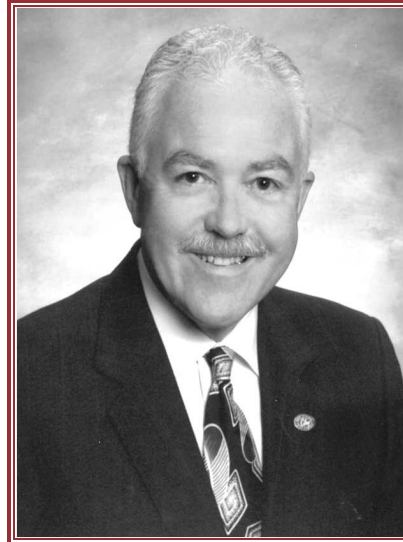


5th Annual
City College Student Project and Research Symposium
May 6, 2009

Dear Students, Campus Colleagues and Community Friends:

For five years now, it has been my great pleasure to welcome students, faculty, staff and the community together to celebrate the San Diego City College Annual Student Project and Research Symposium. This "Celebration of Student Excellence" is a campus-wide event recognizing the outstanding achievements of our students and the dedication of our faculty to student success.



Each year the Symposium exceeds its success from the previous year in attendance and participation. For 2009, more than 250 students representing more than 50 academic majors, showcase their best work through 83 poster presentations, 18 PowerPoint presentations, numerous short films, radio/TV excerpts, speeches, spoken work, other oral presentations, performances, demonstrations, Fine Art displays and a robotics competition.

With projects titled "Alternatives to Social Conflict Resolution", "Under the Bridge: A Study of Literacy Levels of San Diego's Homeless Population, and "Parabolic Thermo Solar Power Plants", our students are researching and reporting on the real-life social, economic and political issues facing our nation today. Collaborating together, the City College Symposium melds the extraordinary efforts of faculty mentors and hard-working students to create a body of research work with endless possibilities for advanced studies across many disciplines.

The best is yet to be!

On behalf of our entire college, I commend the Symposium Committee, volunteers and staff for the year-long planning and collective efforts in bringing this signature event to life for the campus and community to enjoy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terrence J. Burgess". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. Terrence J. Burgess, President
San Diego City College