

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Did you know that PPSC is designated as an Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI)?

HSIs are colleges or universities where Hispanic students comprise **at least 25% of the student body**, according to the U.S. Department of Education. An HSI intentionally creates equity for and advances the success of its Hispanic/Latino students with specific programming that benefits these students.

ALMUERZOS ACADÉMICOS | ALL EVENTS 9-11 AM

Sept 15: Centennial, Rotunda | Sept 29: Downtown, Student Commons
Oct 12: Rampart, Atrium | Oct 14: CHES, Lobby

Join us for free breakfast burritos, promotional items and educational materials highlighting Hispanic heritage. Available while supplies last.

RITMO Y SAZÓN | Sept 24 | 6-8:30 pm | Centennial, Theater

Celebrate the cultural diversity of our community with a performance by Ritmo y Sazón, Harrison School District's high school dance troupe, comprised of PPSC concurrent enrollment students! After the show, enjoy tamales and Mexican hot chocolate while celebrating the strong partnership between PPSC and Harrison School District.

Contact david.lopez@pikespeak.edu with questions.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

AdvanceEDU SCHOLARS MIXER

Sept 16 | 2-4 pm | CHES, Lobby

AdvanceEDU offers personalized coaching, career support, community and scholarship funding to eligible students. Find out if you qualify and learn how to take the next step. **Snacks provided!**

Contact hello@myadvanceedu.org with questions.

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING

Sept 24 in W116 & Sept 25 in E108

8:30 am-5 pm | Rampart

Learn how to recognize, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance-use challenges among adults. Registration is required and each session is limited to 10 participants. Contact emily.poss@pikespeak.edu to register.



APPLY FOR THE ¡ADELANTE! LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE IN CHULA VISTA, CA

Deadline: Sept 27

Conference: Oct 31-Nov 2

Build your leadership skills with workshops and networking opportunities focused on internships, graduate school and career development. Contact david.lopez@pikespeak.edu with questions. Scan the QR code to apply.

SERVICES & RESOURCES



HANDSHAKE MADE EASY

Sept 15 & 23 | 11 am-12 pm
Centennial, A140

Looking for a job on or off campus?

Learn how to use Handshake, PPSC's job platform, to find student positions, work-study roles, part-time jobs and more. Career Services will show you how to search, apply and stand out. Scan the QR code to register. Contact career@pikespeak.edu with questions.



FALL LUNCH & LEARN SERIES

Sept 18 | 11:30 am-12:30 pm
Fort Carson Education Center, Room 208

Going to college while serving comes with unique challenges, and MVP is here to help. JLearn practical strategies for navigating college, military service and your path to graduation. Bring your laptop or use one provided, and enjoy free pizza while you learn! Scan the QR code to register. Contact rene.deanda@pikespeak.edu with questions.

MOBILE FOOD MARKET

Sept 21 | 11 am-1 pm | Centennial, Atrium
Sept 22 | 11 am-1 pm | Rampart, Atrium

Free groceries can help lighten the load while you focus on school. Stop by the Mobile Food Market with your PPSC ID to pick up groceries at no charge, with no proof of need necessary.

Contact kandy.ruiz@pikespeak.edu with questions.

Offer available to the first 150 students enrolled in the following institutions; CSU, CSU Pueblo, Colorado School of Mines, Colorado Mesa University, and Pikes Peak State College who open an account using the QR code or hyperlink attached to this advertisement. A checking account must be opened between August 17, 2026, and September 30, 2026. One offer per person, not available to staff or faculty. Canvas will match the dollar amount deposited the day the account is opened, up to \$100.00. Canvas may discontinue offer at any time. The deposit match will be made to the checking account within one week of account opening. Must be 18 or older to receive deposit. The amount of the deposit match will be reported to the IRS at the end of the year. Insured by NCUA.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Sept 18 | 9-11 am | Rampart, Atrium

Celebrate the U.S. Air Force Birthday with Military & Veterans Programs! Stop by for cake as we recognize the dedication and sacrifices of active duty Airmen, veterans and civilian personnel who serve and support the Air Force community.

Contact marah.armijo@pikespeak.edu with questions.

HISTORIC WET PLATE PHOTO DEMO

Sept 21 | 1-4 pm

Downtown, Parking Lot Behind Studio West

Watch photographer Don Jones bring the historic wet plate photography process to life during a live demonstration. Jones is a former PPSC instructor and helped establish PPSC's Professional Photography Program. Contact cynthia.holling-morris@pikespeak.edu with questions.

ART AS PLAY:

A MERR SHEARN RETROSPECTIVE

Reception: Sept 25 | 5-7 pm

Downtown, The Gallery at Studio West

Celebrate the artistic legacy of Merr Shearn, former PPSC faculty member and Art Department Chair, with *Art as Play*, a retrospective exhibition at The Gallery at Studio West. The exhibition on view through Oct 23. Contact madeline.zeikus@pikespeak.edu with questions.



PPSC CREEK CLEANUP

Sept 26 | 8:30 am-12:30 pm

Stratmoor Valley Park & Trailhead

1213 Forest Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80906

Make a difference close to campus during Creek Week 2026, Colorado's largest watershed-wide cleanup! Join the PPSC Office of Sustainability to help care for Fountain Creek. Register by Sept 18 at 5 pm to receive a free breakfast. Final registration closes Sept 23 at 5 pm. Scan the QR code to register. Contact sustainability@pikespeak.edu with questions.

BOODLEBOX x PPSC HACKATHON

Final Showcase: Sept 28 | Centennial, Theater

Watch AI solving real world problems in action! Student teams showcase the BoodleBox AI bots they built to address challenges in higher education and workforce development. For more info, contact studentexperience@pikespeak.edu.

STUDENT CLUBS



Connect, learn and lead through

student clubs at PPSC. Join a group or start your own! Scan the QR code to learn more.

FOOD 4 THOUGHT

Every Other Thursday, starting Sept 17
12-1 pm | Centennial, The Grove

Join us for food and casual conversation about thought provoking topics in a welcoming space to share ideas, hear different perspectives and connect with other students. Contact jcohen49@student.cccs.edu with questions.

PHI THETA KAPPA GENERAL MEETING

Sept 26 | 10 am-12 pm | Centennial, A140

Members and non-members are welcome to meet PTK advisors, officers and students, hear updates on the chapter and explore upcoming projects and ways to get involved. Contact ppsc.ptk@pikespeak.edu with questions.

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