# Clark College Penguin Digest March 17, 2025

## What’s New in The Digest

### Chatbot Naming Survey

Our new AI chatbot is coming soon to Clark’s website to assist students with common questions and resources—and we need your help choosing its name! We’ve preselected a few options, and we’d love your input on the final choice.

Take a quick moment to [vote for your favorite Chatbot name](https://forms.office.com/r/Ha4KHPMKtG)! The survey closes on March 21st, so don’t miss your chance to weigh in. Thanks for your help!

### "Nature Patterns" Exhibit Closing Reception, March 22nd, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Archer Gallery

Please join us for the closing reception for our exhibit, "Nature Patterns: Tamara English and Kim Cridler". Feel free to stop by any time. This is a free event and we will have snacks.

### The City of Vancouver Needs Your Feedback About Accessibility

The City of Vancouver is about to embark on a City-wide ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan. The effort has already commenced with some program and policy evaluations starting this month. Physical evaluations of our parks, parking lots, and buildings will start this summer. The data we collect will be put together with data we’ve been collecting on our City sidewalks, curb ramps, and intersections, and we will publish the accessibility barriers we identify alongside the recommended remedies, timeframe for repair, and cost in the Transition Plan that will go to Council by fall 2026.

We want to ensure the needs of the disability community are understood before we really dig into this project. There are two major ways for you to get involved:

1. Survey: Please [complete the Americans With Disabilities Act Accessibility Survey for Parks and Public Rights of Way.](https://www.cityofvancouver.us/city-managers-office/accessibility-and-inclusion-at-the-city-of-vancouver-for-people-with-disabilities/ada-self-evaluation-and-transition-plan-project/) We will use your feedback to help us prioritize which City spaces to evaluate and which to prioritize for repair in the Transition Plan. The survey has been created with accessibility in mind but please let us know if you have any difficulty completing it or need assistance. The survey will be open until April 4th.

2. Disability Community Project Kick-Off: Please attend our disability community forum on April 9th from 12-1pm on Zoom to help us kick off the project! Learn more about what feedback we collected in the survey and hear more about the details of the project. To receive the Zoom link, please RSVP to ADACoordinator@cityofvancouver.us. In the meantime, we’ve created an [ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Project Webpage](https://www.cityofvancouver.us/city-managers-office/accessibility-and-inclusion-at-the-city-of-vancouver-for-people-with-disabilities/ada-self-evaluation-and-transition-plan-project/) where you can stay informed throughout the project. We will keep you posted on our progress from start to finish!

## Events

### Virtual Running Start Information Nights

This optional information session is for students and their supporters who want to know more about beginning the Running Start program in the 2025-2026 school year. You’ll learn about eligibility, cost, enrollment steps, placement options, tips for academic planning, transferring after Running Start, and Clark student life and student support resources. During the webinar, attendees will be able to ask any questions they may have about Running Start, and we will also hear from a current Clark College student about their experience. [Visit here to learn more and to register!](https://www.clark.edu/enroll/admissions/running_start/students.php)

## Get Involved

### What’s Your Favorite Book? Share Your Book Recommendations with PTK!

Tell us about a book that stuck with you—one you couldn’t put down or can’t stop thinking about. Phi Theta Kappa wants to hear about your favorite book. We're collecting book recommendations from Clark College students, faculty, and staff through March 19th.

[Tell us about your favorite book by filling out a quick form](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=EwQM8GwdfEOGn0tNAatl7X7WFmDRKbdDicAEeG2QyR5UQTJEVUVJTFAzTUozMDNISlVPQ1RERTVXOS4u). Then, join us for Wrapped in a Story on April 9th!

Wrapped in a Story: Step into someone else’s world! Browse a selection of wrapped books - no title, no author - just the genre and a description of why someone loves it. Pick one that sparks your curiosity, unwrap it, and discover what makes it a favorite. More information about this event coming soon. You never know – you might find your next unforgettable read! Questions about Wrapped in a Story? Email ptk@clark.edu

### Join or Start a Student Club

Looking to join or start a club? Clubs are free and open to all students to join. [Click on the full list of clubs](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-life/clubs/) to see when and where they meet or how to start a new club. Questions? Email Student Life. Here's some of the student clubs:

* A.C.E.S. (Alliance of Counseling Education Students) Club
* ADHD Club
* Cru Club
* Environmental Club
* H.I.M. (Health Management Club)
* Korean Culture Club
* Period @ Clark Club
* Philosophy Club
* S.N.A.C.C. (Student Nursing Association of Clark College) Club

### ADHD Club Meetings, Thursdays, 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in PUB 257

Do you have ADHD or other neuro-divergent traits? Want to have fun, socialize, and play games? We offer snacks, games, and support! Want to contact us? Shoot us an email at officers@clarkadhd.club!

### Korean Culture Club Meetings, Tuesdays, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in PUB 257

Do you want to learn about Korean culture? Maybe learn the language and make new friends and party along the way. The Korean Culture Club is spreading Korean and Asian Culture here at Clark! We have a lot planned this quarter and also have a volunteer Korean teacher coming to teach us!

Are you of Asian ethnicity or Pacific Islander? Are you a first-generation Asian American Pacific Islander? The Korean Culture Club is planning on hosting the 2nd Annual AAPI Month at Clark College and is looking for vendors, speakers, and powerful immigrant and refugee voices to be speakers at our event in May. Our email is koreanclubatclarkcollege@gmail.com. Please spread the word. If you know anyone outside the Clark community, they are also welcome to speak.

Please check out our [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/koreanclub_at_clarkcollege/) to see our accomplishments over the past few years.

## Scholarships

### Apply Now for Scholarships!

Clark College Foundation scholarship applications for 2025-2026 are now open. Students returning to Clark with a minimum 2.5 GPA are eligible to apply for multiple scholarships through the Clark College Foundation Scholarship application. Scholarship Deadline: April 17, 2025. [Visit our website](https://clarkcollegefoundation.org/why-we-are-here/scholarships/) to learn more about this and other scholarship opportunities.

### Clark County Fair Association 2025 Exhibitor Scholarship

To be eligible for a [Clark County Fair Association Exhibitor Scholarship](https://www.clark.edu/enroll/paying-for-college/scholarships/documents/Clark-County-Fair-Assoc-2025-Exhibitor-Schol-Application.pdf), applicant must have been actively involved in 4-H, FFA, Grange Youth or Open Class at the Clark County Fair. Applicants must be high school seniors or high school graduates. Dependents of the Clark County Fair Association Board of Directors and dependents of FSMG employees are eligible for the Clark County Fair Association Scholarship program.

### Washington Women In Need (WWIN) Star Scholarship

[WWIN Star Scholars](https://wwin.org/star-scholars/) are transforming their futures by pursuing higher education in Washington state. Our scholars are resilient, determined, and are using their education and careers to spark positive change for themselves, their families, and our communities.

## Employment and Career Information

### Paid Summer Internships with Multnomah County!

Looking for a summer internship? Multnomah County's College to County Mentorship Program provides college students from underrepresented communities with paid summer internships, increasing participants' understanding of various career pathways available in the county. This opportunity includes focused mentorship and professional development. [Learn more and apply here!](https://multco.us/programs/college-county-mentorship-program)

### Check Out the Penguin Jobs Board

Are you looking for an off-campus job or internship? Check out [Penguin Jobs](https://clark-csm.symplicity.com/)! This online hub is designed to connect Clark students with local opportunities. It is free to use for Clark students, alumni, and community members, and only takes a few minutes to sign up! For questions about Penguin Jobs or job/internship search strategies, contact [Career Services](https://www.clark.edu/enroll/careers/).

### Free Workshops at WorkSource

Did you know that your local WorkSource offers a variety of free workshops (virtual and in person) to support jobseekers and career changers? Some example workshops offered are: Creating the Right Resume, Coping with Stress During the Job Search, Resolving Conflict at Work, How to Get Past the Applicant Tracking System, and more! Registration is required for virtual workshops. Visit [WorkSource WA](https://worksourceswwa.com/) for the full workshop schedule, access their online job board, and learn about other events and resources offered. For support with your resume, job search, or career advising, contact [Career Services](https://www.clark.edu/enroll/careers/)

### Career & Personality Assessment Opportunities

Learn more about your unique personality type preferences and discover career possibilities. The Strong Interest Inventory career assessment, and the Myers-Briggs Personality Type Indicator are assessments available to currently enrolled students. They include a detailed report that helps to identify interest areas, career pathways, and personality style strengths & preferences. These assessments are tools to help individuals learn about career options, understand themselves better and relationships with others. [Sign-up](https://forms.office.com/r/a3q1KiQxuz) to complete the assessment(s) and pick an interpretation session date. During the session, you’ll receive your report(s) and learn strategies to support with your career or personal development. To learn more, visit the [Career Assessments webpage.](https://www.clark.edu/enroll/careers/career-center/career_assessments.php) Questions? Contact Career Services or call (360) 992-2902.

## Student Resources

### Rights and Resources Webpage

[Clark College's Rights and Resources webpage](https://www.clark.edu/about/governance/policies-procedures/rights-and-resources.php) has been created to help connect our students, employees, and community members with resources and organizations available for support.

The college will monitor federal changes that impact our students, employees, and communities. We will continue to share resources and updates as we receive them through this webpage.

Clark College affirms our sustained commitment to providing a welcoming and inclusive environment where all students can pursue their education. We are so glad you are a part of the Clark College community. You belong here.

### New Penguin Pantry Hours

[The Penguin Pantry](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/penguinpantry/) is now open for in-person shopping every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., and Thursday from 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in PUB 162.

Clark students currently enrolled can stop by during open hours to pick up fresh produce, meat, bread, pantry staples, and more. Please bring your own bags. Questions? Email Penguin Pantry.

### Achieve Your Goals with Clark College's Academic Advising

Ready to map out your academic journey? Our Academic Advisors at Clark College can help you create a personalized long-term plan to achieve your educational and career goals. Book a 45-minute appointment for an in-depth discussion of your goals, progress, and future terms.

A long-term plan includes required courses each term, helping you take the right classes at the right time, saving you time and money. It also outlines academic milestones to keep you motivated and important deadlines to manage your time effectively. [Schedule your 45-minute advising appointment](https://www.clark.edu/enroll/advising-services/schedule.php) today! With Summer and Fall registration opening in May, appointments will fill up quickly. We schedule appointments two weeks in advance, so check back daily for new availability if needed. Let's work together to ensure your academic success!

### The Penguin Help Desk (PHD) is Open to All

The Penguin Help Desk (PHD) is a student-run operation that provides free, high-quality technical support to the college as well as the community while giving students valuable hands-on experience in tech support and customer service.

The PHD team is here to help—completely free of charge. Whether you need your personal PC, laptop or other devices fixed, updated, tuned up, configured, checked for viruses, and more! You do not need to be a Clark College student to receive our services. The PHD team is committed to keeping you connected while gaining real-world experience in tech support. Please note: We do not work on any Clark College-owned devices, but we will gladly assist anyone with personal devices.

Location: Building AA4, Room 110
Contact information: helpdesk@students.clark.edu/360-992-2562
Hours of Operation: Monday and Tuesday 12pm-5pm, Wednesday 2pm-5pm, Thursday 8am-5pm.

### Schedule a One-on-One Meeting with a Clark Success Coach!

Student success coaches are tasked with helping students successfully complete the term. Success Coaching support includes resource referrals and study/life skills development. We offer one-on-one meetings with students as often as needed as well as a of workshops throughout the term that focus on a variety of topics ranging from time management to how to navigate Canvas

[Book an Appointment with a Success Coach](https://outlook.office365.com/book/AreaofStudyStudentSuccessCoaches%40clarkcoll.onmicrosoft.com/). The success coach can connect you with helpful resources on campus and, more importantly, help you practice study skills and manage your time well!

### FREE Tutoring - Have YOU tried it?

That’s right tutoring is for everyone! Join us Monday through Thursday 9am to 5pm or Fridays 9am to 2pm in various campus locations! Great place to work on that homework, meet your study groups, AND get support if you need it!

Not on campus? No problem! You can connect with any of our scheduled tutors via Zoom during their scheduled times as long as they are not already assisting another student.

View schedules, locations, and zoom links on the [Tutoring Services webpage.](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/tutoring/index.php) Online support is also available at [etutoringOnline.org](https://etutoringonline.org/). Remember, tutoring is a FREE resource to you and an extremely beneficial study practice!

### RAVE Guardian – Campus Safety App

Text the word "Guardian" to **67283** to download.
Highlights: Stay Informed: Receive emergency alerts, Discreetly Contact Campus Security and Safety: Prevent dangerous situations by discreetly sending anonymous tips with a photo or location as needed. Never Travel Alone: Set a virtual safety timer for an extra layer of safety wherever you are. Find The Resources You Need: Access key safety and security resources. Help Is on The Way: With a push of a button, you can directly connect to the college’s Security and Safety desk or 9-1-1 in an emergency. Text the word “Guardian” to 67283 to download or go to the Android Play Store or Apple App Store.

### Discounted Student Fitness Center Membership: $10 Per Term or $30 Per Year

Where else can you work out for $10 per term or $30 per year? Join the Clark College [Fitness Center](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-life/fitness_center/). Students can go directly to the Cashier’s Office in Gaiser Hall 128 to pay.

### Free C-Tran Bus Passes with a Free Student ID

Get a Free C-Tran Bus Pass and a Free Clark College Student ID through the [Bookstore](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student_ID.php). Simply bring a valid photo ID.

### Disability Access Center Accommodations

Are you a student who is new to Clark and has a disability? Clark’s [Disability Access Center](http://www.clark.edu/dac) (formerly Disability Support Services) supports students with a range of disabilities and health conditions, from depression to ADD/ADHD to Crohn’s disease and more. We approve students for things such as: added time on exams, recording of lectures, shared peer notes from lectures, and alternate book formats such as audiobooks. Check out our easy Steps to Requesting [Accommodations](http://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/disability_support/access_procedure.php) to get started. We ask for documentation on your disability/health condition and are more flexible this year on what we accept. Contact us for questions or our Documentation [Guidelines](http://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/disability_support/documentation_guidelines.php). CONTACT US: Email, or call us at: 360-992-2314.

### Hanna Hall Coffee Lounge

We have coffee drinks (hot and cold), smoothies, Italian sodas, energy drinks, teas, hot chocolate, steamed and apple cider. We serve Caffe Darte coffee. We have bagels, donuts, muffins, scones from Marsee Baking. We also cater events within campus. We have been at Clark since 2009. We are open Monday-Thursday, 7:40am-2:00pm & Friday 7:40am-12pm.

### Clark Café in Joan Stout Hall

Are you [hungry](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-life/dining/)? Come check out the menu at the Clark Cafe in Joan Stout Hall. We are open Monday-Thursday, 7:30am–3:30pm and Friday 7:30am-1:00pm. Serving coffee, espresso and ICEE. Breakfast and lunch served all day. Fresh made to order breakfast burritos, biscuits and gravy, bagels and muffins. Lunch options- Mexican, pizza, wraps, salads, soup, bento, loaded baked potatoes, and hotdogs. We can accommodate for gluten free/ dairy free/ and vegetarian.

### Want to Keep up on Other Clark News?

Check out [Clark 24/7](https://news.clark.edu/) for more information.

## Additional Information

### Spring Textbooks and Materials Available Now!

Now Available, Assisted Shopping:
Don’t know where to start? Bring your printed class schedule to the Bookstore for assistance with your spring materials! [More information about assisted shopping here.](https://www.clarkbookstore.com/site_assisted_shopping.asp)

[Shop Online at Clarkbookstore.com](https://www.clarkbookstore.com/default.asp) to skip the lines.
Choose from In-Store Pickup or UPS Delivery. Plus, Shop In-Store for Supplies, Merch, Snacks and More! [Check store hours.](https://www.clarkbookstore.com/site_hours.asp)

### Sell Your Used Books for Cash at the Clark College Bookstore!

Come into the store during the following times in March to sell your books:
Tuesday, 3/18, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 3/19, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, 3/10, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

We buy back loose-leaf too! Sell early to get the best prices. Quantities we purchase may be limited. We may buy your books, even if you purchased them elsewhere.

### Protect Yourself from Phishing Scams!

Always verify the legitimacy of requests for personal information, even if they seem to come from Clark College. If you receive an email, text, or call asking for sensitive details:
1. Pause before responding.
2. Contact the Clark College Helpdesk at (360) 992-2425 or helpdesk@clark.edu to confirm the request.

Scammers may pose as Clark College or state employees to steal your personal information. Stay vigilant and protect yourself from fraud. **Stay safe—think before you share!**

### Student Success Chrome Extension

If you use Google Chrome as your default browser, add this Clark Student Success Extension for quick access to important links. [Try it out](https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/clark-college-student-suc/beobnchmpllcgkgijadojlbplijoihbk?hl=en&authuser=0). If you have questions, email Student Success.

### Remove Your COVID Dates in ctcLink

As of May 11, 2023, the proclamation no longer requires vaccination or exemption for COVID-19. We are requesting your assistance to remove your COVID or exemption dates from your ctcLink account. Please keep in mind that if you are in any medical or dental programs at Clark, you do not delete them currently. The steps are below:

* Login to [ctcLink](https://ptprd.ctclink.us/psp/ptprd/EMPLOYEE/EMPL/h/?tab=CTC_CLARK_HP&pslnkid=CTC_CLARK_HP_LINK) > Student Homepage > Immunization Attestation > Delete the lines and dates using the minus (-) button > Save

If you need assistance or have questions, please email Student Success.

## Campus Safety & Security Information, Ext. 2133

[Security Resources](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/security/info.php) can be accessed for more information.

### Drug Free Schools & Communities Act (DFSCA)

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act ([DFSCA](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/security/drug-free-schools-and-communities-act.php)) of 1989 - also known as the Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Act - requires higher education institutions to establish policies that address unlawful possession, use, or distribution of alcohol and illicit drugs for faculty, staff, and students.

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act also requires institutions of higher education to conduct a biennial review of their alcohol and other drug programs and policies to determine program effectiveness, the consistency of policy enforcement, and to identify and implement any chances as need to either. [More Information.](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/security/drug-free-schools-and-communities-act.php).

### Sam’s Law, Anti-Hazing

[Sam’s Law](https://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/security/anti-hazing.php) is the new anti-hazing legislation recently adopted in Washington State.

### Mandatory Sex Offender Notification for Fall 2024

In accordance to the "Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act" of 2000, which amends the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act, the Jeanne Clery Act and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and Clark College Administrative Policy 527.055 NOTIFICAZTION REGARDING CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER, the Clark College Security & Safety Department provides information on Registered Level III Offenders that are either currently working on campus and/or currently attending classes. This act requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement information provided by a State concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already required to register in a state to provide notice of each institution of higher education in that State at which the person is employed, carries a vocation, or is a student. In Washington state sex offenders who are enrolled in a public or private institution of higher education must also notify the local county sheriff immediately (RCW 9A.44.130).
Using this public information to threaten, intimidate or harass sex/kidnap offenders will not be tolerated. This abuse could potentially terminate our ability to release this important information to the public. According to the Clark County Sheriff's web page: "Level III offenders are those sex/kidnap offenders who, based on currently known information, are rated most dangerous to the public and who are at a high risk to re-offend within the community at large." Currently there are no Level III Registered Sex Offenders registered for classes for the Winter 2025 term.

Resources:

[527.055 NOTIFICATION REGARDING CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER](http://www.clark.edu/about/governance/public-disclosure-and-records/adminProcedures/500/527/index.php#527055)

[Clark College Sex Offender Notification](http://www.clark.edu/campus-life/student-support/security/offender.php)

[Clark County Sheriff's Office Offender Search](http://www.icrimewatch.net/index.php?AgencyID=54462&disc=)

[Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs Offender Search](http://www.icrimewatch.net/index.php?AgencyID=54528)