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Hillary Clinton To Visit East Los Angeles College

(LOS ANGELES) Hillary Clinton, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States, will visit East Los Angeles College tomorrow, Thursday, May 5 at 4:00 p.m. This will be the former secretary of state's third visit to one of the nine colleges in the Los Angeles Community College District during her presidential campaign.

"Mrs. Clinton's visit to East Los Angeles College makes clear that she understands that community colleges are the heart and soul of higher education in America," said Scott Svonkin, president of the Los Angeles County District Board of Trustees. "With her help we will expand opportunities for students seeking an opportunity to pursue their educational goals and a brighter future in Los Angeles, California and across the nation."

Svonkin serves on President Obama's America's College Promise National Advisory Board; America's College Promise is the president's nationwide initiative to provide college tuition and fees for qualified community college students. Last month, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti pledged his support to a similar program for LAUSD high school graduates. The Los Angeles College Promise is scheduled to begin in fall of 2017.

East Los Angeles College has been a stop on the presidential campaign for many candidates including President John F. Kennedy in November 1960 and President Bill Clinton during his 1992 presidential campaign.

East Los Angeles College (ELAC) was established in 1945 on the campus of Garfield High School; it was relocated to its present 82 acre site in Monterey Park in 1948. ELAC offers more than 50 fields of study and, a Pathway to Law School program and a variety of STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) initiatives to enhance academic success and career opportunities.

About the Los Angeles Community College District

The Los Angeles Community College District, the nation's largest community college district, serves one-quarter million students a year in more than 36 cities in Los Angeles County at its nine colleges. The

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District covers nearly 900 square miles and has educated and trained the region's diverse workforce since 1969.

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