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Palau Community College

MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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PCC AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE IMPLEMENTS HYDROPONICS GARDENING SYSTEM



PCC Agricultural Science program has been successful using hydroponic non-circulating gardening system by growing six lettuce at once in a styrofoam container. The gardening system can hold up more than eight containers. Using an indoor lighting of 20 watts LED light and liquid nutrients the indoor garden can grow lettuces with a 30 days harvesting period.

Associate Professor of Agricultural Science Fredrick Ikertang said, the system is soil-less and save water gardening that also supports the initiatives of climate change and food security in Palau.

LRC/AANAPISI PROGRAM

Available services to students

In-Person Tutoring: Mon & Wed - 8am to 5pm

T & Th - 1pm to 5pm

Computer Lab: Mon - Fri - 8pm to 5pm

Counseling: Mon to Fri - 8pm to 5pm

Online Tutoring: Call for appointment @ 488-3073

AVAILABLE NOW!!

PCC COURSES TAUGHT USING SYNCHRONOUS LEARNING PLATFORM




Despite the rapid spread of COVID-19 omicron variant in our community, PCC faculty continues to teach using synchronous and asynchronous learning platform.

PCC Associate Professor of English William T. Mitchell and Associate Professor of Math Epimachus Moses remote teaching using synchronous learning platform for their students. Asynchronous learning allows instructors to lecture, provide needed reading, assign homework, and other learning materials at any time during a one- or two-week period.


Instructors also employ the asynchronous learning by having students learn from short videos and submitting assignments online in order to receive feedback.

Palau Community College is an accessible comprehensive public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.



PALAU COVID-19 UPDATE

CASES



DATE OF REPORT

Thursday, February 10, 3:30PM

<p>89</p> <p>*TODAY'S NEW CASES</p>	<p>1,436</p> <p>TOTAL ACTIVE CASES</p>
<p>18</p> <p>**HOSPITALIZATIONS</p>	<p>1,609</p> <p>***RECOVERED</p>
<p>3,045</p> <p>CUMULATIVE CASES</p>	

NOTES/REMARKS:

*Today's (2/10) new cases were identified at the COVID Testing Center, ER, OPD, and private clinics. Of the 380 tests conducted, 89 were positive; duplicates (i.e., Day 5 testing) are not counted as new cases. **Hospitalizations- 6 patients are COVID admissions; 12 for other conditions. ***Recovered include individuals who tested negative on day 5; they have been released from active isolation and placed on self-monitoring.

PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS:

- Get vaccinated (if you have not done so) or your booster when it is your turn.
- Wash your hands frequently and properly.
- Wear your mask at all times in indoor facilities.
- Wear your mask at outdoor gatherings with 20 or more people.
- Consider limiting large indoor gatherings & maintain physical distance (3-6ft.)
- Clean & disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Cover your coughs & sneezes and throw away used tissues properly.
- Stay home & away from others if you are sick and call the Hospital for advice.

COVID-19 HOTLINE

488-0555

7:30AM-11:00PM
Mondays to Fridays

OUTPATIENT (OPD)

488-2555

7:30AM-4:30PM
Mondays to Fridays

EMERGENCY ROOM

488-2558

Operational at All Hours, Every Day

MHHS EOC CONTACTS

Ms. Ritter Udul
Incident Commander

775-0084

Ms. Edolem Ikerdeu
Public Information Officer

775-1138

SOCIAL MEDIA

@MHSPALAU

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PCC Welcomes New Secretary at the Office of the President



Leo Chrisia Ilong Eledui

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to welcome the new Secretary at PCC Office of the President Ms. Leo Chrisia Ilong Eledui. Ms. Eledui graduated from PCC in 2021. She holds an Associate of Science degree in Tourism & Hospitality-Hotel Management.

AG Intern Shiera Mungwaath Transfers Lettuces from Growing Tray



PCC Agricultural Science intern student Shiera Mungwaath assist in separation and transferring of lettuces to styrofoam containers for the hydroponics indoor gardening system.

Agriculture program is trying out six different types of lettuces using the same gardening method. This is a pilot project for the program.

The benefits of using hydroponics gardening is being able to control the climate and the environment especially indoor area. Use minimal space and room area for grow the system to grow lettuces. This is an alternative method from traditional organic gardening which requires less maintenance.

REMINDER!!

To All Faculty & Staff

If you have taken COVID-19 booster shot and/or COVID-19 Antigen Test, Please provide these information to Human Resource Office.

Thank you!

UPDATED

ISOLATION & SELF-MONITORING GUIDANCE

MINISTRY OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (MHHS)

Due to the changing nature of the COVID-19 cases in Palau, the following changes have been made to isolation and quarantine/self-monitoring measures.

NEW GUIDELINES FOR ISOLATION (POSITIVE CASES OF COVID-19)

Everyone with COVID-19 must isolate to help prevent spreading it to others. For the next 5-10 days, do the following:

1. Wear a mask at all times for 10 days, indoors and outdoors.
2. Take measures to prevent the spread to others.
3. Stay at home (or at a designated facility) and away from others.
4. Tell your close contacts that they have been exposed. They need to follow instruction on Self-Monitoring (see information on the right).
5. Follow advice and guidelines from MHHS for isolation.
6. Ending Isolation:
 - (WITH TEST) Isolation can end on Day 5 if you test negative on Day 5 (or later) AND you do not have any fever for at least 24 hours, with improving symptoms. Continue wearing a mask at all times and avoid large gatherings for 5 more days.
 - (WITHOUT TEST) If no test was conducted on Day 5 or results were positive, isolation can end on Day 10 if symptoms are not present.

NEW GUIDELINES FOR QUARANTINE/SELF-MONITORING (CLOSE CONTACTS)

Persons who are exposed to someone with COVID-19 must self-monitor their health for 10 days. If you were exposed, you could be infected and spread the virus, even if you feel well and have no symptoms or you had a negative test result in the beginning. For the next 10 days, do the following:

1. Wear a mask at all times for 10 days.
2. Avoid large gatherings or activities.
3. Engage in essential activities only - (working, getting food, banking, seeking medical attention).
4. Monitor your symptoms (runny nose, sore or scratchy throat, headache, body aches, fatigue, shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, etc).
5. If you develop symptoms (even just a mild one), isolate yourself and seek medical advice or attention.
6. Consider testing, especially if you are at increased risk for severe illness or live with someone who is, in order to get medical attention as needed.
7. Follow advice and guidelines from MHHS on How to Quarantine/Self-Monitor.

MONDAY - FRIDAY, 7:30AM - 12:00PM

MHHS COVID-19 HOTLINE: 488-0555

24/7 Emergency Room (ER): 488-1558

7:30AM-4:30PM Outpatient (OPD): 488-2555

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BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday	7:30AM - 7PM
Friday	7:30AM - 5PM
Saturday	9:00AM - 6PM
Sunday & Holiday	CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: PACIFIC SCIENCE MAGAZINE

PACIFIC SCIENCE

A Quarterly Devoted to the
Biological and Physical Sciences of the Pacific Region
Volume 75 • Number 4 • October 2021



 Official Journal of the Pacific Science Association

Pacific Science is an international, multidisciplinary journal reporting research on the biological and physical sciences of the Pacific basin. It focuses on biogeography, ecology, evolution, geology and volcanology, oceanography, paleontology, and systematics.

Academic Calendar

February 07

Non-instructional day- no classes

March 15

Holiday: Youth Day

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiu's News welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to tchuziet@palau.edu or tchuziet@gmail.com.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253) for more information.



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Republic of Palau
PW 96940
Tel: (680) 488-2470
Fax: (680) 488-2447

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public is hereby informed that the Palau Community College will be accepting sealed proposals from interested businesses /companies to supply **Two (2) 24 to 26 seater school bus to transport PCC students**. Bid specifications may be obtained by contacting Ms. Debbie O. Ngiraibai, Director of Finance at the address noted at the bottom of this notice, or it can be retrieved at the College's website at <https://pcc.palau.edu/about/finance/>.

Request for Proposal No: **2022 – RFP - 001**

Public Notice: January 12, 2022 – February 25, 2022

Bidding Period: January 12, 2022 – February 25, 2022

Opening Date: February 28, 2022

Time: 10:00am

Place: Palau Community College - Business Office

Proposals or offers may be submitted to Palau Community College located in Medallai, Koror. It can also be sent either electronically or mailed to the address noted below. Request for Proposal Number must be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope and addressed to the Director of Finance.

Palau Community College reserves the right to extend the opening date and also reserves the right to cancel or modify this notice and the offering in any manner.

Palau Community College
Administration & Finance Department
P.O. Box 9
Koror, Palau 96940
Ph. (680) 488-2471
Fax. (680) 488-2447
E-Mail: debbien@palau.edu

2021-2022 PCC BASED SCHOLARSHIP APPLY NOW!

DAVID W. SHIPPER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

DEBBIE O. NGIRAIBAI BUSINESS ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIP

MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY INC. SCHOLARSHIP

MOYLAN'S INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP

PIERANTOZZI SCHOLARSHIP

PRINCE LEBUU SCHOLARSHIP

TERRY T. NGIRMANG NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

YAMAZAKI RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PCC
DEVELOPMENT OFFICE. FOR MORE INFORMATION
ABOUT THE PCC-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS:

CONTACT: DEVELOPMENT OFFICE @
488-2470/2471 EXT. 252 OR 253

SUBMIT COMPLETE APPLICATION TO
DEVELOPMENT OFFICE BY FEBRUARY 25, 2022

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Computer Technician
(Computer Service Office)
salary ranges from \$13,081 - \$23,230 per annum
- (2) Director of Library Services
(Administration)
salary range: \$18,730 - 33,262 per annum
- (3) Instructor Assistant - Small Engine
PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349 per annum
- (4) Security Service Officer
Multi-Species Hatchery - CRE Department
depending on qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$9,267.00 - 16,457.00 per annum
- (5) Math Instructor
Learning Resource Center
Student Services
depending on qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$14,802 - 22,000 per annum
- (6) Instructor Assistant - Auto Mechanics
(Academic Affairs)
salary ranges from \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (7) Part-time Tutors
PCC Talent Search Program
salary range: \$500 - 1,200 per annum
School Year 2021-2022
Federally funded program

Celebrating Birthdays

February 11-20, 2022



Demy Emesiochel



Joel Yabes



Nena George

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CONT

- (8) Administration Department (Business Office)
Accounting Technician (Purchase Order-Technician)
Annual salary range: \$9,913.00 - \$16,954.00
- (9) Cook
Administrative Department (Food Service)
salary ranges from \$8,502.00 - \$15,098.00
- (10) Senior Research Assistant
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)
salary range: \$12,001 - \$21,312 per annum

PCC Endowment

**INVEST IN THE FUTURE
To SUPPORT,
CONTACT US TODAY!**

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96940

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e-mail: tellei@palau.edu

If you want to join the Bi-Weekly
Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



<http://www.palau.edu>



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ALUMNI NOTES

BRETT EUNGL
ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGY



Brett Eungel is a graduate of Palau Community College in 2020 with Associate of Applied Science in Electrical Technology. He is currently employed at MOE - Melekeok Elementary School.



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ALUMNI

showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities.

If you are that Alumna/Alumnus or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253).

We would like to feature you in future **Mesekiu's News** issues.

ATTENTION STUDENTS!!!

DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC, PCC IS PROVIDING FREE PNCC PREPAID AIRTIME. STUDENTS CAN PICK UP THEIR AIRTIME CARDS @ INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH & EVALUATION OFFICE (IREO) OR CALL CECILIA OLIKONG @ 488-2470 EXT. 250 EMAIL: ceciliao@palau.edu for more information



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