

The Aerospace & Defense Forum



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Tour of Advanced Technology Center

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the Employment Center
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Santa Clarita Valley Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, June 25, 2024

In-Person Meeting: Networking & Breakfast: 7:15-7:45am
Presentation & Tour: 7:45-9:00am Pacific Time

[Click here to register](#)

Both members and non-members
must register to attend.

Registration Fees

Free - A&D Forum member &
Corporate Members
\$35 - Early Bird Non-member
(until June 18)
\$45 - Non-member



(after June 18)

You will receive multiple invitations, regardless of whether you have already registered. Please do not register more than once!

Please register as an A&D Forum member **ONLY** if you have a currently active membership. Claimed memberships will be verified before the meeting and erroneous registrations will be cancelled.

June 25, 2024 Meeting

- Attire is business casual.
- [Click here](#) for map of parking directions.
- Masks are optional.
- A light continental breakfast will be available starting at 7:15am.
- Bring a business card - they will be duplicated and everyone will get a copy of all attendees' cards.
- Please do not distribute any material during the meeting.
- Introductions will be minimal - your name, company, industry, and a 5 word "elevator speech". We encourage you to be creative!

Feel free to pass this invitation on to others you think would be interested.

Event Info

Tuesday, June 25, 2024
7:15-7:45/ 8:00 am - Networking
8:00 am – 8:45 AM - Presentation and tour
8:45 – 9:00 plus - Wrap up and networking

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The Advanced Technology Center (ATC) is a world-class advanced manufacturing & technology facility that will help meet the demand for skilled technicians in the Santa Clarita Valley and Greater Los Angeles area. The 13,500 sq. ft. facility provides education and hands-on training for the future of work in high-demand, high-skill, high-wage jobs.

The ATC offers program pathways in Advanced Manufacturing, Welding and Robotics. Programs are designed to allow students acceleration in obtaining industry-recognized certificates/credentials to immediately enter into employment or to stack toward an associate degree.

Join us for a tour of the Advanced Technology Center to see the difference it is making in the manufacturing industry and community.

[Presenters](#)

Location:

College of the Canyons Advanced
Technology Center
26306 Diamond Place, Unit #150,
Santa Clarita, CA 91350

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Harriet Happel serves in the role of Dean of Career Education, Integrative Learning and the

Employment Center at College of the Canyons in Santa Clarita, California. She is also an instructor in the disciplines of Advanced Manufacturing, Business, and Career Skills. Currently, Harriet serves on the executive board for the California Community College Association of Occupational Education as the Communications Officer. Harriet also serves as a board member with the National Coalition of Advanced Technology Centers.

Harriet's undergraduate work was completed at the University of California, San Diego in Political Science and she completed her MBA at Keller Graduate School of Management with specializations in Project Management and Sustainability. Harriet also holds a certification from the University of Vermont in Campus Sustainability Leadership and is a certified instructor in Phi Theta Kappa's Leadership Development Studies Program and the International Public Safety Leadership and Ethics Institute Leadership Development Program

Before entering education, Harriet worked in Business and Manufacturing as a program manager.

In her tenure at College of the Canyons, Harriet has been very involved in new program introduction for career education. Currently, she is the project manager for the Advanced

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Technology Center and the regional Fire Academy that is targeted to open at the Del Valle Training center in fall of 2025. She also manages the Strong Workforce Partnership funding, California Apprenticeship Initiative grants, and the Perkins V grant allocations.



Justin Wallace
serves as the
Director
of
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Partnerships & Workforce Engagement at College of the Canyons. He currently oversees the Interim Advanced Technology Center (ATC) building that houses the new manufacturing and robotics programs. In addition, Justin manages the College's Pre-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship initiatives and is responsible for expanding these programs across multiple disciplines. He works closely with the business community to provide Employment Training Panel (ETP) funded training programs to upskill the current workforce and develops programs to get job seekers into high-skill, high-demand, high-wage careers.

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