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Cabrillo Graduates 1,076 Students Today

Graduation Ceremony Friday, June 1, 2012 – 6:00 p.m., Carl Connelly Stadium

APTOS, CA—Cabrillo College will honor a graduating class of 1,076 students during a formal commencement ceremony this evening to confer degrees and certificates. The Cabrillo College Class of 2012 is the college's largest graduating class in five years. Cabrillo's 2012 Graduation Ceremony will take place Friday, June 1, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the Carl Connelly Stadium, Cabrillo College, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos.

This year Cabrillo awards 643 A.A. degrees, 391 A.S. degrees, 234 certificates of achievement, and 225 skills certificates. The Cabrillo College Class of 2012 is comprised of graduates ranging in age from 19 to 75 years with an average age of 29. Sixty-four percent are females and 36% are males.

The Cabrillo College Class of 2012 contains 78 members graduating with a perfect grade point average (GPA) of 4.0. This year 221 students will graduate with high honors (3.75-3.99 GPA), 280 will graduate with honors (3.5-3.74 GPA) and 602 will graduate with honorable mentions (3.0-3.49 GPA).

Twenty six students will graduate as part of the Honors Transfer Program, having completed all of the courses required to transfer, including at least 15 units of honors coursework, while also maintaining a 3.5 or higher GPA. These students have been accepted and plan to transfer in to four-year universities including UC Berkeley, UC Santa Cruz, and the University of Southern California, among others.

Following the processional, Cabrillo College Vice President of Student Services Dennis Bailey-Fougner will welcome participants and guests. Cabrillo College President and Superintendent Dr. Brian King and Cabrillo Faculty Senate President Michael Mangin will give their congratulatory remarks to the Cabrillo College Class of 2012.

Vice President of Instruction Dr. Renée M. Kilmer will present the class of 2012, and will highlight inspiring stories of graduates in the 2012 class who have overcome adversity in achieving their degrees.

Cabrillo College Governing Board Member Rachael Spencer will participate in the conferring of degrees. Dr. Isabel O'Connor, Dean of Human Arts and Social Sciences, and Sesario Escoto, Dean of Student Services, will read the graduates' names.

A reception for graduates and guests will be held in the pavilion on the stadium field, immediately following the ceremony. Parking is available in lots adjacent to the stadium.

About Cabrillo College

Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos, Scotts Valley and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers



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over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Cabrillo College is a dynamic, diverse and responsive educational community that is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic, career, and personal development goals.

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