Nearly 4,000 attend Cabrillo’s College and Careers Night

Students, parents look for information to help with future decisions

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APRIL — High school students, many accompanied by parents, streamed into the Cabrillo College gym Monday night looking for information about college and career opportunities.

The school’s Cabrillo Transfer and Career Center organized the event, which was open to high school students from throughout Santa Cruz County.

Nearly 4,000 people attended the event, said Cabrillo College Director of Admissions and Financial Aid Julie Borden. She said the college staff had planned for about 2,000 attendees and were pleasantly surprised by the turnout.

The event was divided into two parts: the college fair, which featured representatives from over 200 colleges, universities, and industries, and a career fair, which included representatives from various fields.

Lorenzo West of Fremont High School was one of the attendees. He said he was interested in pursuing a career in engineering.

West said he was impressed with the diversity of programs available at Cabrillo and other institutions.

Cabrillo College President Brian King said the college was excited to see so many students and parents attending the event.

"It’s always great to see our students and their families coming together to explore educational opportunities," King said.

King said the college was committed to providing students with the resources and support they need to succeed.

"We want to make sure that every student has the opportunity to pursue their dreams," King said.

In addition to the college and career fair, there were also workshops on a variety of topics, including financial aid, college application processes, and career guidance.

Cabrillo College students and alumni were also on hand to provide advice and support to attendees.

Overall, the event was a success, with attendees leaving with a better understanding of their options and the resources available to them.

"It was a great event," said Amy Moore, a student at Fremont High School. "I learned a lot about what’s available to me and I’m definitely going to talk to my counselor about my options."