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Career opportunities abound at El Camino's 25th Annual Job Fair

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Jeremiah Hampton and Chanel Abalone of Beyond the Bell Middle School Unit, an afterschool program, hand out information to students looking to partake in career paths centered on student development and recreational programs during the Job Fair at El Camino College on Wednesday, April 30 in the Student Services Plaza. (Drex Carratala | The Union)

The Student Services Plaza transformed into a marketplace of careers as recruiters met with college students, high schoolers and local community members Wednesday, April 30.

The 25th Annual Job Fair, hosted by El Camino College Career Services, gave the community a time to network and consider various professions.



El Camino College's Career Services co-hosted their 25th Annual Job Fair with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board at the Student Services Plaza on Wednesday, April 30. Over 120 local companies, agencies, institutions and businesses were on hand for students and guest to explore career opportunities. (Melissa Palmer | The Union)

Over 120 employers tabled at the fair, according to the <u>South Bay Workforce Investment Board</u>, who partnered with ECC for the event.

"This is a really good opportunity for students to connect with employers and have opportunities to get employed now or in the future after finishing their education," Parker Berendes, Career Services student worker, said.



Brenda Thames, president of El Camino College, spoke during the Job Fair at El Camino College on Wednesday, April 30 in the Student Services Plaza. "For those of you visiting our campus for the first time, let me be the first to welcome you to El Camino College. That's the last time I'm going to welcome you, because this is your college," Thames said. (Melissa Palmer | The Union)

Employers and companies at the fair from the South Bay and Los Angeles region included the Los Angeles and Torrance unified school districts, the City of Gardena and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

Other booths represented vocational, medical, engineering and services-based professions.



The Los Angeles Port Police recruiters were on hand at El Camino College's 25th Annual Job Fair to answer questions about career opportunities within the agency Wednesday, April 30. (Melissa Palmer | The Union)

Dylan Brunkhardt, Associated Students Organization senator of business and outreach ambassador, said over 20 high schools with prospective ECC students toured the campus and attended the fair.

ECC students can access counseling, workshops and other resources throughout the semester at Career Services.