

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: OCTOBER 2024

# Umoja

## COMMUNITY

### UMOJA PRACTICE: Everybody's Business

### WHAT IS UMOJA?

**Umoja: (a Kiswahili word meaning unity) is a learning community dedicated to the academic success, personal growth, and self-actualization of African-American and other students.**

We are a village, acting in accord, and unafraid to be seen and heard as we do our work, leveraging every voice and source of information to do our best by our students. We gather and share information about our students. As Umoja professionals, we feel that including everybody in our distinct disciplines and work duties shares knowledge and builds commitment. We know what each other is up to, in an intimate, detailed way, so that we can support and reinforce each other. We cover and pitch in on each other's work, even while we maintain our areas of expertise.

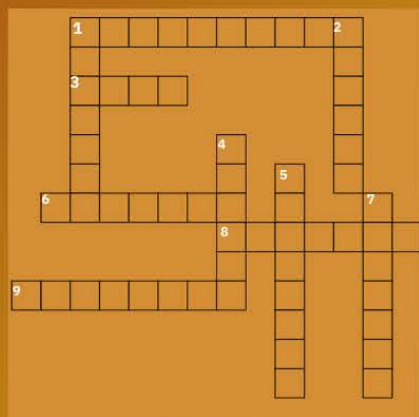
### IMPORTANT DATES

- CSU/UC Application Opens 10/1
- Umoja Officer Meeting 10/2 @ 1pm-2pm
- Foodie Friday 10/4
- CSU Application Workshop 10/7, 1pm-2:30pm @SJC 1250A
- Depression Support Group 10/8, 2pm-1pm @SJC 1250C
- Anxiety Support Group 10/9, 12:30 pm-1:30pm @MVC 484
- Self-Esteem Support Group 10/9, 12:30pm-1:30 pm @SJC 1250C
- UC Application Workshop 10/10, 12:30 pm-1:30 pm @ Zoom
- Umoja PORCH TALK Event 10/29, 2 pm @SJC Village 1457
- Umoja XX Conference 10/30-11/2

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS PLEASE VISIT THE MSJC WEBSITE

### FAMOUS QUOTES

"The paradox of education is precisely this- that as one begins to become conscious one begins to examine the society in which he is being educated."  
-James Baldwin



#### Across

1. City known for the annual Essence Festival
3. Last name of the "Prince of Soul"
6. Last name of Nobel Peace Prize Winner and former South African President
8. Last name of a Pan-African leader and first President of Ghana
9. African country, formerly known Abyssinia

#### Down

1. African country with capital Lagos
2. Largest desert in Africa
4. African American holiday celebrated in late December
5. Last name of the author of "Beloved"
7. Country known for Rastafarian culture