



## June 2024 Newsletter

### 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.

### Umoja Practice: Tapping African American Intellectual, Spiritual, and Artistic Voices

- African Americans' unique history has shaped the African diaspora experience through philosophers, artists, and spiritual leaders. Umoja views individuals such as Phyllis Wheatley, David Walker, Frederick Douglass, Ida B. Wells Barnett, Robert Johnson, W.E.B. Dubois, Maya Angelou, Alan Locke, Thelonious Monk, Malcolm X, Romaine Bearden, Aaron Douglas, Langston Hughes, Ra Un Nefer Amen, Cheikh Anta Dip, and Bell Hooks as ancestral bridges, connecting the past and present.
- The Umoja Community urges practitioners to use African American knowledge in our classrooms. We encourage our students and ourselves to claim this often-hidden richness,

### Famous quote:

- The greatness of a man is not in how much wealth he acquires, but in his integrity and his ability to affect those around him positively. -Bob Marley

### Important Dates:

- Apply for Fall 2024 Semester - NOW
- Start of 8-week classes- June 3rd
- Financial Aid Workshop SAP: The Appeal Process- June 11th, 4pm
- Juneteenth Celebration- June 15th, 11am- 6pm Menifee Campus
- Start of 6-week classes- June 17th
- Juneteenth - June 19th College Closed

### Fun Zone & Activities:

- [PuzzleFactory – African American Images](#)

