

MEDIA ADVISORY:

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College of the Desert Student Nurses to Graduate

PALM DESERT, CA — College of the Desert (COD) will celebrate the newest nursing graduates at a colorful pinning ceremony. About 25 students have earned the Associate Degree in Nursing and are now eligible to take the licensing examination to become registered nurses.

What: While COD nursing students receive their pins, their comments thanking family and friends for their support while attending classes will be read.

When: 2 p.m., Monday, Dec. 18, 2017

Where: McCallum Theatre, 73000 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92260

<u>More Information:</u> Addressing the students and guests at the ceremony will be Carol Scobie, Director of Nursing and Allied Health. Superintendent/President Joel L. Kinnamon, Ed.D., will speak about the importance of the College's nursing program to the Coachella Valley.

The nursing program at College of the Desert has a proven track record of excellence. Sixteen local medical facilities and all three valley hospitals partner with the College to provide nursing students with clinical requirements to graduate. The faculty in the program set high educational standards to ensure students are successful in transitioning into the workforce. Most graduates stay in the Coachella Valley to care for local residents.

How to cover: If you're interested in covering this event, please let us know by 11 a.m. Friday by contacting James Meier via email at JMeier@collegeofthedesert.edu or phone at (760) 773-2589 (office) or (760) 848-8230 (cell).

About College of the Desert:

Established in 1958, College of the Desert (COD), located in Palm Desert, is an accredited community college serving eastern Riverside County, California. The College leads the region in providing quality, higher education, technical training and lifelong learning opportunities, in response to the dynamic needs of our diverse community. The College serves more than 14,000 credit and 1,000 non-credit students each year and is the number one source of transfer students to California State University, San Bernardino Palm Desert Campus. For more information, visit www.collegeofthedesert.edu.