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## **Cuesta Completes Safety Training and Procedures for Start of Fall Semester**

The Cuesta College Campus Police and Public Safety renewed their commitment to campus safety this summer in preparation for the return of students to campus on August 20.

Cuesta College Police Officers teamed with the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Department SED Team and the San Luis Obispo County Bomb Task Force Detail in July and participated in a joint training exercise on campus. The exercise gave participating units an opportunity to practice and train for an on-campus active shooter and bomb threat training protocol.

"We do this to make campus a safer place," said Cuesta College Police Chief and Director of Public Safety Pete Sysak.

On August 1, Cuesta College also hosted a mandatory nuclear incident training session in partnership with Diablo Canyon and the County Office of Emergency Services. During the training session, management and supervisory staff were able to participate in tabletop exercises and classroom discussion involving nuclear safety precautions.

In addition to the Diablo Canyon training, Cuesta College also adopted a 100 percent employee fingerprinting policy for all employees hired after July 1.

"We always review the campus grounds and facilities during the summertime to ensure there are no physical barriers or safety hazards for our students, staff and faculty," Sysak said.

Cuesta College's crime statistics, reported under the Clery Act in the class schedule, reflect the college's low-crime environment and that the college is still the safest community in San Luis Obispo County.

Students return to campus on Monday, August 20 for the start of the fall semester.

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