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National Recognition and Highlights

The Daley College Community is committed to improving student learning, and has received local and national recognition for its commitment to academic excellence.

- Dr. Vali Siadat, Mathematics Professor at Daley College has been awarded the Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award of Distinguished Teaching of Mathematics. Dr. Siadat is the first community college professor to receive the "gold standard" of national math awards. Read more in a [news article](#).
- March 6, 2008 Daley College community officially renamed Westside Technical Institute to the [Arturo Velasquez Westside Technical Institute](#) by hosting a community-wide renaming celebration with over 500 guests in attendance. There were several local and state government officials and community leaders. Speakers included the Chancellor of CCC, Wayne Watson; Chairman of the Board of Trustees of CCC, James Tyree; Speaker of the House, Michael Madigan; Chair Person of AVWSTI Advisory Board, Teresa Fraga; and Mr. Arturo Velasquez and family. The catering was provided by Washburne Culinary School; a Mariachi band welcomed the family community and guests, and the Holy Cross Marimba Ensemble played at the Reception.
- Daley College will partner with Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, on a VTECH Grant Project funded by the National Science Foundation. This grant will allow us to develop courses that will improve the teaching of network engineering. The projects goal is to enhance training for network engineering students in the areas of case-based learning via a Virtual Network Engineering Laboratory. Students will be better prepared in the [IT](#) and cyber security field. Congratulations to Daley's faculty representative for this project, Professor Younker Chyu.
- Daley College's faculty and administration participate in the Higher Learning Commission [Assessment](#) Academy, June 2008.
- Congratulations to Jennifer McDonnell who was named the City Colleges of Chicago (CCC) Adult Educator of the Year & awarded the Arthur J. Stejskal Memorial Teacher of the Year Award/Illinois Adult and Continuing Educators Association (IACEA).
- Over 30 corporations attend the Daley College [Manufacturing Technology](#) Program's Open House June 25, 2008.
- Congratulations to Dr. Rowena Misayah and Dr. Katherine Han for being named mentors in the Science Technology Engineering and Mathematic (STEM) Mentorship Program, funded by the national Science Foundation.
- Daley College participated in CCSSE's new national survey

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program- SENSE (Survey for Entering Student Engagement- Fall 2008).

- v Congratulations to the 2007-2008 Daley College Distinguished Employees!
 - o Vincent Russo, Professor
 - o Mary Sarlito, Adjunct Professor
 - o Anita Gorski, Clerical/Technical
 - o Jennifer A McDonnell, Adult Educator
 - o Milton Wright, Administrator

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