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## **El Camino College Compton Center Presents a Conference for Young Men**

Following the success of last year's El Camino College Compton Center's Male Conference, a conference entitled, "Yes I Can," will take place on March 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the gym. According to Johnny Conley, outreach specialist and coordinator for the event, "The purpose is to empower young males with practical knowledge of how to utilize the services and programs available at El Camino College Compton Center."

The career training exploration portion of the conference will be divided into three periods with 6-10 stations per period. The stations will highlight various majors and vocational careers including music technology, welding, auto technology, fire technology, robotics and nursing, among others. Information will be provided about physical education programs as well. A resource fair that includes student life activities and community-based organizations will be an important component of the event.

The keynote address will be delivered by The Honorable Eric J. Perrodin, mayor of the city of Compton, who also serves as deputy district attorney for the county of Los Angeles. Mayor Perrodin grew up in Compton and received a bachelor's degree from California State University, Dominguez Hills. After graduation he joined the Compton Police Department and achieved the rank of sergeant. While on the force, Perrodin attended classes at Loyola Law School and was licensed to practice in 1995. He left the department to become a deputy district attorney. Perrodin has served as Compton's mayor since 2001.

For information about the conference, contact Johnny Conley at 310-900-1600, ext. 2767 or via e-mail at [jconley@elcamino.edu](mailto:jconley@elcamino.edu).

El Camino College Compton Center is accredited and serving the educational needs of our community. Students can earn an associate degree, transfer to a four-year university or receive career training. Fees are only \$20 per unit. The college catalog, class schedule, evening and weekend college offerings are available in-person or online at [www.compton.edu](http://www.compton.edu). Compton Center is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA; 310-900-1600.

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