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President’s Waypoint: Different, but Never This Wonderful!

Differences are all around us. For some of us, being different comes naturally. Staff, faculty, and administrators come to the college with a variety of interests and life experiences. We have intentionally gathered experts in a great array of disciplines. There are many differences among our faculty shaped by the worldview of their disciplines and their personal approaches, philosophies, and perspectives. As an educational institution, we help students discover their differences – differences in their skills and differences in how they think. We celebrate their differences. All of the above differences are important and make up the “who” of Santa Barbara City College.

I saw a short video clip about the difference a high school team basketball manager made for his team. You may have seen it. In high school, the team manager is typically a person who is not particularly good at the sport, but who is willing to contribute to the team in other, less glamorous ways, such as fetching water, washing towels, and wiping up sweat from the gym floor. These were all part of this team manager’s job description, but in this case, the manager contributed so much more. Turn on your speakers and see what you think after watching the 2 minute video: Click Here!

Together forward,