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## **El Camino College Compton Center Basketball to Host Los Angeles Harbor College in Annual Coaches vs. Cancer Games**

The El Camino College Compton Center men's and women's basketball teams will host Los Angeles Harbor College for the annual Coaches vs. Cancer games on Wednesday, Feb. 8. The men will tip off at 5:00 p.m. and the women will follow at 7:00 p.m.

The Coaches vs. Cancer program is a nationwide collaboration between the American Cancer Society® and the National Association of Basketball Coaches. This initiative leverages the personal experiences, community leadership, and professional excellence of coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy living through year-round awareness efforts, fundraising activities, and advocacy programs. Since 1993, coaches have raised over \$100 million for the American Cancer Society.

As part of this special night for cancer awareness, the ECC Compton Center basketball teams will honor former Tartar Carthal McDonald, who recently passed away from cancer. McDonald played for ECC Compton Center before transferring to the University of Alaska Fairbanks, a NCAA Division II school.

The men's basketball coaches will wear sneakers for Suits and Sneakers, part of the nationwide collaboration. Both basketball teams will be sporting socks and headbands in support of cancer research. The women will wear pink, and the men will wear blue.

Pink and blue ribbons will be given to fans to wear during the game. All proceeds from the night's ticket sales will be donated to the American Cancer Society and additional donations will be accepted at the door, as well as during the game.

Since 2011, CCCAA men's and women's basketball teams have raised more than \$185,000 through the Coaches vs. Cancer program. These contributions make a huge difference in the lives of survivors and caregivers by helping the American Cancer Society fund groundbreaking research and provide life-saving (and life-changing) programs. For more information about Coaches vs. Cancer, please visit [www.coachesvscancer.org](http://www.coachesvscancer.org)

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## **Tartar Basketball Coaches vs. Cancer 2-2-2-2**

ECC Compton Center men's basketball looks to bounce back this Wednesday night after a loss to Cerritos College last Friday that broke its 15-game winning streak. The Tartars (22-4, 5-1) currently lead the South Coast Conference South Division with a one game edge. The Tartars recent 15-game winning streak was the longest of the season by any team in the state. The last time ECC Compton Center earned 22 wins in a season was the 2006-07 season when it finished 22-10 overall, falling in the first round of the state tournament. In South Coast Conference play, the Tartars are No. 1 for points (187), free throw attempts per game (31.8), total rebounds per game (47.7), steals per game (12.8), and points per game (97.8)

The men's team is No. 1 in the state for total points (2,414), points per game (92.8), field goals made per game (34.7), offensive rebounds per game (17.0), total rebounds per game (46.4), assists per game (19.8) and steals per game (12.3).

Ticket prices are \$5 for adults; \$3 for students (with no ASB sticker) and senior citizens (age 60+); and free for children under 12 years of age, and students and Compton Community College District employees with ASB sticker.

### **About El Camino College Compton Center**

El Camino College Compton Center is the community's education solution offering a full complement of transfer and degree courses, as well as career and technical education. Students may earn an associate degree or certificate, transfer to a four-year university or train for a career. El Camino College Compton Center is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.

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