



### PBS Program Features Feather River College Bachelor's Degree

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KVIE, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) station in Sacramento, is featuring the Feather River College bachelor's degree in Equine and Ranch Management during an upcoming episode of the Emmy-nominated *Inside California Education* series. The FRC program will air on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and also be available at [www.kvie.org](http://www.kvie.org) and [www.insidecaled.org](http://www.insidecaled.org).

The half-hour episode begins with the FRC degree and includes interviews from students and faculty as it highlights the origins of a community college offering a bachelor's degree. Students discuss their benefit from enrolling in the program and their job training opportunities. "The producer contacted FRC about producing a segment about a community college bachelor's degree. They liked the way that the FRC degree is responding to unmet training needs in the workforce by producing technologically trained graduates," commented Dr. Kevin Trutna, FRC Superintendent/President.

The *Inside California Education* series is a highly regarded weekly series exploring key public education issues in California, which airs on PBS stations throughout the Golden State. Each episode provides viewers with a thoughtful, insightful look into the diverse range of students enrolled in local colleges and their goals and aspirations - and the educators, staff and partners who serve and support them.

"We're very excited to bring viewers these important, new stories about the successes and challenges of California's community colleges," says Christina Salerno, Series Producer for *Inside California Education*. "Education is a core PBS mission, and it's a chance to see the unique people and programs really making a difference."

"As our state focuses more on creating a 'cradle to career' system for education and workforce preparation, it makes great sense to build on the stories *Inside California Education* has been sharing about early education and K-12 and to spotlight community colleges," says Rick Launey, Co-Executive Producer for the series. "These colleges are the heart of so many local communities and they provide critical services that help so many residents pursue their own California dreams."

*Inside California Education* is a co-production of KVIE, the Sacramento PBS member station, and NationalEdOnline, a California-based education non-profit organization. The series has three times been awarded the John Swett Excellence in Educational Media Award, presented by the California Teachers Association for outstanding coverage of education, and twice been nominated for Emmy Awards. The community college series is supported by the [College Futures Foundation](http://CollegeFuturesFoundation.org).

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### **About Feather River College**

Feather River Community College District, located in Quincy, California, is a small, rural public community college offering courses in transfer programs, career and technical training, basic skills education and celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary during the 2018-19 academic year. In May 2018, FRC awarded California's first community college bachelor's degree in Equine and Ranch Management as one of only 15 community colleges statewide authorized to offer a bachelor's degree. FRC offers small classes where students receive individual attention from faculty and staff in its location known as "the million acre classroom." Unique programs in equine studies, outdoor recreation leadership, fish and wildlife hatchery, and environmental studies enhance traditional transfer programs and technical training. Student dormitory housing is available. FRC boasts an accomplished athletic program with several men's and women's championship sports supported by the local community. The Board of Trustees recently adopted an ambitious plan ensuring that FRC is a leader in environmentally sustainable practices. Academically, FRC ranks at the top for transfer, graduation, and retention rates amongst small California community colleges. For further information, contact (530) 283-0202 or visit [www.frc.edu](http://www.frc.edu).

### **About KVIE PBS Sacramento:**

Broadcasting from California's capital, KVIE PBS helps everyone explore the world through experiences in history, current events, drama, nature, and science, while serving as a trusted guide for children with the best educational programming. Established in 1959, KVIE serves more than 1.4 million households in the nation's 20th largest television market, and can be viewed in 28 of California's 58 counties. KVIE is a leading producer of original programming, with *America's Heartland*, *Inside California Education*, *KVIE Arts Showcase*, *Rob on the Road*, *Studio Sacramento*, *ViewFinder*, and *Yes! We're Open*. More information is at KVIE's website at [www.kvie.org](http://www.kvie.org).

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