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Subject: President/CEO Message - May 5, 2023

Campus Community,

As we are near commencement, I want to take a moment to offer you words of encouragement and gratitude for all the hard work and dedication you have put in to help your students succeed.

You have spent countless hours preparing lesson plans, grading assignments, offering extra help and support, and guiding students through their academic journeys. You have been there for our students, listening to their concerns, celebrating their successes, and encouraging them to keep pushing forward.

Your efforts have significantly impacted the lives of our students, and everyone's commitment to their success is truly inspiring. Compton College has helped shape these students' futures and played a vital role in their journey toward achieving their dreams.

As commencement approaches, take pride in knowing you have played a pivotal role in our student's success. You have provided them with the knowledge, skills, and confidence they need to move forward in their careers and lives.

So, to all Compton College employees, I want to say thank you. Thank you for your unwavering dedication and commitment to your students. You are making a difference in their lives and the world, and your hard work is truly appreciated.

Today's President/CEO Message – May 5, 2023, includes COVID-19 information and other campus-related updates.

Los Angeles County COVID-19 Update

Los Angeles County's Daily COVID-19 Data webpage reports 2,659 newly recorded confirmed cases in Los Angeles County (and cases reported by Long Beach and Pasadena health departments) as of **April 27, 2023**. For more information, go to publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/data/. Los Angeles County's current CDC Community Level is Low. Visit the [LACDPH Post-Surge Dashboard and Strategies](#) webpage for more information.

End of the Federal Public Health Emergency for COVID-19

Based on current COVID-19 trends, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is planning for the federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) for COVID-19, declared under Section 319 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, to expire at the end of the day on **May 11, 2023**. For more information, refer to the [COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Transition Roadmap](#).

Summer 2023 Enrollment Update

As of **yesterday, May 4, 2023**, Compton College has generated 147 FTES for the Summer 2023 term. Our fill rate is currently 22%, and 1,121 seats are filled. Please encourage your current students to register for their summer classes now. Summer courses offer several benefits, including a reduced workload for future semesters.

The Summer 2023 Schedule of classes is available online at <http://www.compton.edu/admissions-aid/ClassSchedule.aspx>.

The Fall 2023 Online Searchable Schedule of Classes is also available; registration begins **Tuesday, May 9, 2023**. Current students are advised to [meet with their counselor](#) as soon as possible to discuss course options and continued progression toward their educational and career goals.

2023-2024 Compton College Recruitment Update

1. The resolution to expand the Oliver W. Conner Promise Program to all first-time Compton College students will be on the **May 16, 2023**, Compton CCD Board of Trustees' agenda. Compton College will offer two years of free enrollment fees to all eligible new students, regardless of age or whether they live within the Compton CCD or not, beginning with the fall 2023 semester.
2. In line with [California's Roadmap for California Community Colleges](#) and the [California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office's Vision for Success](#), Compton College will launch a new enrollment campaign called "12-in-4" to encourage local 9-12 graders to complete 12 units of college-level coursework in four years. A letter will be sent to the parents of our in-District high school students notifying them of their eligibility to participate in one of our current dual enrollment programs, such as Early College, AB 288 Courses, and Afternoon College. Compton College's Department of Educational Partnerships is developing the implementation timeline and campaign details. If you have any recommendations for this enrollment campaign, please send them to Dr. Nelly Alvarado, director of educational partnerships, at nalvarado@compton.edu.

Food Pantry Reopens on Campus

The Tartar Pantry reopened on **May 1, 2023**, to assist students who need additional support addressing food insecurity. The hours are Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 3:00-5:30 p.m. The food pantry is located in the Multipurpose Room near the Everytable Cafeteria. Students registered in the current semester are allowed to take home one full grocery bag bi-weekly and have the option to take "grab & go snacks" twice a week from the pantry. Items vary and are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

2023 Compton College Commencement

The first of four Grad Info Sessions was held yesterday afternoon via Zoom. All 2023 Graduates are invited to join the virtual information sessions to ask questions about the **June 9, 2023**, Commencement Ceremony, which will be held at Dignity Health Sports Park in the Tennis Stadium at 6:00 p.m. Grads were reminded to stop by the [Bookstore](#) and purchase their caps and gowns, and to check the [Commencement Information webpage](#) for the most up-to-date information.

Compton College 2023-2024 Goals

The Compton College Core Planning Committee has finalized the [2023-2024 Compton College Goals](#). These overarching goals align with the [California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office's Vision for Success](#) and will help leadership select priorities for the coming year. These goals also are designed to help the college realize the [Compton College 2024](#) plan and Institutional Set Goals by 2023-2024. Through Collaborative Governance, the Core Planning Team drafted the goals, and feedback was sought from the Managers/Supervisors team, Planning and Budget Committee (PBC), and Consultative Council. The Compton CCD Board of Trustees **May 16, 2023**, agenda will include these goals.

President/CEO Closing the Loop

- My responses to Academic Senate Decisions made at the **March 2**, and **March 16, 2023**, meetings were emailed to Academic Senate President Dr. Minodora Moldoveanu **today, March 4, 2023**. Topics included curriculum, Board Policies and Administrative Regulations, curriculum items, the definition of Low-Cost Textbooks, and the ranking of four new programs. Click [here](#) for my responses and more information on the items presented by the [Academic Senate](#).

Final Thoughts

I want to take a moment to thank Lauren Sosenko for her services to Compton College and Compton Community College District. Lauren Sosenko joined Compton College in August 2018 as the inaugural director of Institutional Research. During her tenure at Compton College, she was instrumental in transforming the access to and collection of campuswide data, college planning, and implementing our CalFresh Data sharing agreement with the County of Los Angeles. Lauren served on many institutional standing committees, including

Planning & Budget, Accreditation Steering, Consultative Council, and Institutional Effectiveness. Please join me in wishing Lauren well as she assumes her new role at Golden West College.

Please be safe and have a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Keith Curry, Ed.D.

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President/CEO

Compton College