



# COMMUNITY NEWS

FALL 2022

*Create your  
success story!*

## *Winter 2023*

- ▶ Five-week classes begin Tuesday, January 3

## *Spring 2023*

- ▶ Saturday classes begin February 11
- ▶ Weekday classes begin Monday, February 13
- ▶ Eight-week Midterm classes begin Saturday, April 15

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## Message from Keith Curry

Compton College President and  
Compton Community College District CEO

As president of Compton College, I am deeply committed to making sure all students have the opportunity and resources they need to set and achieve their goals. To do this, we take a personal approach, acknowledging the value of every single student and ensuring they have an individualized path to success.

I am proud of the work Compton College faculty and staff have completed to support our students by fostering a sense of belonging and providing positive learning encounters. We have programs in place to make sure students have access to classes, technology, food, emergency funds, and other services essential to continue their education. Our welcoming and inclusive campus gives each student equal opportunity to engage and succeed in a high-quality academic environment.

We look forward to helping you achieve your academic, career and personal goals at Compton College.

I invite you to visit our campus and experience everything we have to offer. Email the Office of Educational Partnerships to schedule a tour with our Student Ambassadors: [outreach@compton.edu](mailto:outreach@compton.edu).



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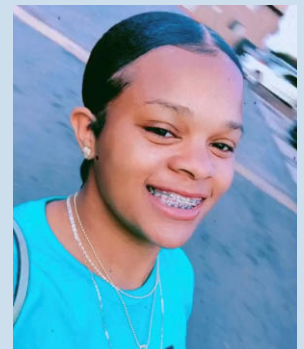
## Compton College Promise: Local High School Grads Get Two Years Free

High school graduates from the Compton, Lynwood, and Paramount unified school districts who attend Compton College full time (12 units) immediately after graduation are eligible to have their enrollment fees paid for two years at Compton College -- a savings of \$1,840 per year!

The two years of paid enrollment fees include the fall semester, winter term, spring semester and summer sessions at Compton College. Students can choose from a variety of educational pathways: earn an associate degree and/or certificate, transfer to a four-year college or university, or pursue shorter-term job training through our Career Education program.

"I am so thankful for the Promise Program for many reasons," said Majesty Goodlow, a 2021 Compton College graduate. "From the start, its orientation and informational workshops helped me have a full visual of what college would be like. I am good at math now with help from the Summer Bridge classes, which is a big transformation for me! Compton College's Promise Program staff helped me stay on track and take the necessary classes to transfer. With all these resources I benefitted from, there was no excuse to not achieve my educational goals."

Graduates from the Compton, Lynwood, and Paramount unified school districts interested in attending Compton College immediately following graduation may complete the Compton College Promise Application and the Steps to Enrollment. For more information, go to: [www.compton.edu/student/comptonpromise/](http://www.compton.edu/student/comptonpromise/).



Alumna Majesty Goodlow



## **NEW! Weekly Certified Farmers' Market**

**Wednesdays, 3:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Compton College**

Compton College hosts a certified farmers' market in partnership with Sustainable Economic Enterprises of Los Angeles (SEE-LA) on Wednesdays, from 3:00 to 7:30 p.m. along the Main Loop on campus.

The market features popular programs including the Los Angeles County-supported American Rescue Plan Market Match, a healthy food incentive program that makes fruits and vegetables more affordable through a dollar-for-dollar match on EBT purchases. Attendees may also use their CalFresh EBT benefits, WIC, and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program checks (FMNP) to purchase groceries. In addition, CalFresh can be used toward ARP Market Match incentives to receive up to \$20 to buy fruits and vegetables at the market.

Students, employees, and members of the community are invited to shop for fruits and vegetables, meats and fish, and other packaged food directly from local farmers.

**Current Compton College students are eligible to receive \$20 each week in farmers' market vouchers.** Stop by the information booth or email the Tartar Support Network for more information: [tartarsupport@compton.edu](mailto:tartarsupport@compton.edu).



## **Student Success Stories**



### **Sadia Escovar**

Class of 2022  
Major: Spanish & Ethnic Studies  
Transferred to CSU, Long Beach

"I met a lot of people that came from similar backgrounds at Compton College. It was my place to be, and I don't know if I would have grown as much as I have academically and professionally if I had gone to another community college."



### **Tre Willingham**

Class of 2021  
Major: Physics  
Transferred to Cal Poly Pomona

"My academic accomplishments have not been a singular effort. I've had a lot of support from key people in my life including my academic counselor, physics professor, and STEM Center program specialist at Compton College. They have all played a role in my success."



### **Nicole Aguirre**

Class of 2020  
Major: Electrical Engineering  
Transferred to CSU, Long Beach

"My Compton College counselors were extremely helpful and worked with me to map out my educational plan and assist with the university transfer process. They go out of their way to help students in any way they can."

The Transfer Center is the ultimate resource for making a smooth transition to any four-year college or university.

**Stop by Room D-29 today!**



## Career Education Programs

### Affordable Training + High-Paying Jobs = Recipe for Success

Enroll in one of Compton College's 17 Career Education programs to get on the fast track to a stable, fulfilling, high-paying job. Our Career Education programs are carefully created to prepare students and adult learners for real world, hands-on work in the field of their choice. From the diverse film and television industry to the fast-paced environment in welding, Compton College supports students in all walks of life and with a variety of skill sets and strengths.

Increase wages, qualify for promotions, learn a new trade — discover more about Compton College's Career Education Programs: [www.compton.edu/gpdiv/career-education/](http://www.compton.edu/gpdiv/career-education/)



## New Academic Programs at Compton College

In the past couple of years, Compton College has introduced some exciting and relevant programs to meet the demands of today's workforce. Because these classes are popular and fill up quickly, interested students are advised to plan ahead and register for classes as early as possible! (Certain classes may not be offered every semester.)



### Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Compton College is offering a new Certified Nursing Assistant program to accommodate students looking to pursue careers in allied health and technical fields and fill the gap in employment of much-needed health care workers. The eight-week course prepares students for entry-level health care positions in a long-term care skilled nursing facility. Upon successful completion of the course, students are eligible to take the State of California Certified Nursing Assistant certification examination. Certified nursing assistants enter at the first level of the nursing career ladder and report directly to a licensed vocational nurse or registered nurse.

### Apple Coding

In partnership with Apple, Compton College now offers Apple Swift Coding courses through its Computer Information Systems Department. Swift is

one of the world's most popular programming languages. The five nontransferable courses offered at Compton College give students the opportunity to learn to code and design fully functional apps, gaining critical job skills in software development and information technology.

### Esports

Compton College introduced its first intercollegiate esports course during the 2022-2023 academic year. The college looks to offer a varsity program and compete in the National Association of Collegiate Esports (NACE), providing students the opportunity to compete against more than 175 colleges and universities across the nation. The program is open to all students and consists of both personal computer (PC) and console video gaming. Those interested in Compton College's esports program may submit an interest form available online: [www.comptontartars.com/sports/esports/Esports Recruit Form](http://www.comptontartars.com/sports/esports/Esports_Recruit_Form)







## For Those Who Need Extra Support

Compton College offers Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) for eligible students who want to get an education, but do not have the resources to enroll in college. EOPS is a state-funded program that helps students, 18 years and older, who are economically and educationally disadvantaged.

EOPS students receive many benefits including priority registration, referrals to student support services, educational supplies, transfer assistance, student enhancement workshops, book vouchers, transportation assistance, academic achievement grants, and more.

“The Compton College EOPS Office has an exceptional staff,” said Claudia Blandino, a 2021 Compton College graduate who transferred to California State University, Dominguez Hills as a sociology major. “Use this program if you are eligible and you will for sure graduate. The EOPS counselors are very comprehensive, guide students every step of the way, and will ensure you earn your degree and graduate.”

The EOPS application and more information is available online at [www.compton.edu/student-services/eops](http://www.compton.edu/student-services/eops). The EOPS Office is located in Room U-6, or call 310-900-1600, ext. 2912.



## CalFresh Food Assistance

Budgets can be limited for many college students, which is why Compton College connects students to CalFresh and other resources that can help ease financial burdens.

Compton College offers students the opportunity to apply for CalFresh, a state program providing monthly food/grocery vouchers and/or Medi-Cal benefits!

Two of five students are eligible to receive benefits and don't even know it! CalFresh awards up to \$234 a month for groceries and the application process usually takes less than 15 minutes. Apply today at <https://students.getcalfresh.org/>. For more information, send an email to [calfresh@compton.edu](mailto:calfresh@compton.edu).

## Monthly Mobile Food Pantry

In partnership with the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, Compton College currently hosts a public Mobile Food Pantry on campus the second Tuesday of each month.

Food is distributed on a first-come first-served basis, and attendees can expect to receive 25-40 pounds of food. The Mobile Food Pantry is open from 1-3 p.m. in Parking Lot F, accessed from Greenleaf Boulevard.





## English as a Second Language (ESL)

¡Mejore sus habilidades en el idioma inglés en Compton College con clases de ESL gratuitas (sin crédito)! Las clases de ESL cubren vocabulario y gramática básica, habilidades para escuchar, hablar, leer y escribir sobre temas relacionados con intereses personales, carreras y experiencias de la vida cotidiana. Las clases de ESL de Compton College ayudan a los estudiantes a desarrollar habilidades en el idioma inglés para ser un trabajador productivo, un miembro efectivo de la comunidad, un miembro de la familia que contribuye y un aprendiz de por vida. ¡Podemos ayudarlo a inscribirse en las clases de ESL que sean adecuadas para usted! Llame al 310-900-1600, ext. 2020.

## Serving Those Who Served: Veterans Resource Center

Compton College is committed to helping veterans, military members, and their spouses and dependents get the support they need to continue their academic careers and succeed. We are approved as a degree-granting institution for the attendance of veterans and participate in the CalVet Fee Waiver program.



Our Veterans Resource Center (VRC) is a hub for everything from helping you through the enrollment process and providing counseling to identifying financial aid and processing your educational benefits. It's also a place to use a computer, relax or study between classes.

Whether your plan is to earn an associate degree, certificate, get job training, or transfer to a four-year university, we welcome you and look forward to assisting you in achieving your education goals.

For more information, call 310-900-1600, ext. 2925, stop by the Veterans Resource Center in Room F-19 during school hours, or visit: [www.compton.edu/studentservices/veteranservices](http://www.compton.edu/studentservices/veteranservices).



### 6 MEN'S TEAMS

Baseball • Basketball • Cross Country  
Football • Soccer • Track & Field

### 7 WOMEN'S TEAMS

Badminton • Basketball • Cross Country  
Soccer • Softball • Track & Field • Volleyball

For more information about the Compton College Tartars Athletics Program and to view the 2022-2023 schedule, go to [www.comptontartars.com](http://www.comptontartars.com)



# COMPTON COLLEGE FACILITIES UPDATE

## OUR PROMISE, OUR FUTURE



The Compton College campus continues to improve, thanks to funds from Measure CC and Measure C supported by voters in 2002 and 2014, respectively. Upcoming facilities projects in the design and/or construction stages at Compton College include:



### STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING

\$25.2 million, new construction

Est. Completion: Winter 2023



### INSTRUCTIONAL BUILDING 2

\$25.6 million, new construction

Est. Completion: Winter 2023



### VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS COMPLEX

\$13.4 million

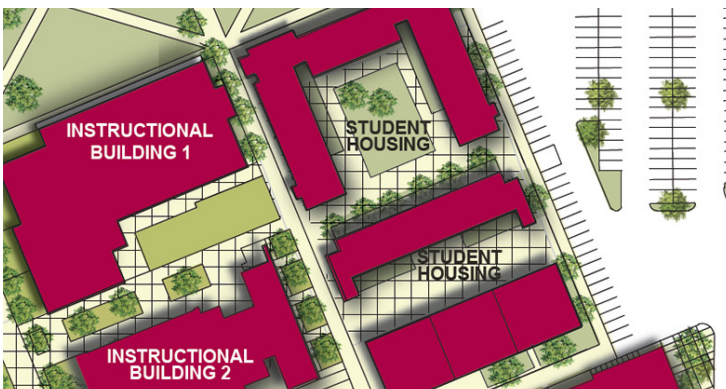
Est. Completion: 2024-2025



### PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMPLEX

\$45.6 million, replacement project

Est. Completion: To be determined



### RESIDENTIAL STUDENT HOUSING

\$80 million (Funded by state grant under AB 183)

Est. Completion: To be determined

### UPCOMING RENOVATION PROJECTS INCLUDE:

- Administration Building - \$5 million
- Vocational Technology Building - \$12.8 million
- MIS / Math Science Buildings - \$8.3 million
- Child Development Center - \$5.2 million



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# Winter & Spring 2023

## Registration begins November 15



“When I reflect on how I got to where I am now (working as a full-time machine operator), it was through the alignment of social services, Compton College, and employers — and their shared culture of supporting the whole student.”

### Jairo Salgado

Compton College Graduate 2022  
Earned Certificate as CNC Machine Operator

## Steps to Enrollment

*Fall 2023 Applications currently being accepted online at [compton.edu](http://compton.edu)*

**APPLY** - Take the first step - it's fast and easy! Complete and submit our free application online.

**PREPARE** - Orientation provides an introduction to academic programs and support services to help you succeed.

**PLAN** - Focus on your goal! Meet with a counselor and complete an educational plan to identify classes that are required to complete your certificate, degree or transfer program.

**REGISTER** - Ready to register for classes? Login to MyCompton and register for classes on or after your assigned Ticket Time (registration appointment).

**For more info on the Steps to Enroll, visit [www.compton.edu/starthere](http://www.compton.edu/starthere)**

## Apply for Financial Aid!

A variety of aid is available for all income levels. Whether or not you think you are eligible, we encourage all students to apply for financial aid each year to help pay for college expenses.

Eligibility requirements include that you are a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen. For more information, please visit [studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility](http://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility).

The first step in applying for student aid is to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the California Dream Act Application (CADAA) for AB 540 students. Both applications are free.

When applying, you will be asked to enter a Compton College code. For the FAFSA, use Compton College code 042817; on the CADAA, use Compton College code 04281700.

## Important Dates & Deadlines

### October 1

- Complete the FAFSA or CADAA
- Get help at a Cash for College workshop

### March 2

Priority financial aid filing deadline for most colleges and universities and the absolute deadline for submission of your Cal Grant application (FAFSA or CADAA + GPA)

### After March 2

The FAFSA and CADAA are accepted throughout the year. Check with the Compton College Financial Aid Office for more information, 310-900-1600, Ext. 2935.



## Ca\$h for College Event

Scan the QR code for more info.

**Saturday, December 3 | 9am to 1pm**

Compton College Little Theater | Open to the Public

Receive hands-on support completing the 2023-2024 FAFSA, CADAA, and the Chafee applications. Come Prepared! Create your Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID at [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov).