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Campus Community,

Happy Friday! I hope everyone had a wonderful and productive week. The countdown is on to the end of the semester and the holiday season, and I feel we have fewer and fewer days to get things done before the Winter Holiday break (**December 24, 2025 – January 1, 2026**).

I've been focused on the [Compton CCD Five-Year Fiscal Management Plan](#), managing construction projects, attending meetings, and handling a high volume of emails. I'm a bit behind on some assignments, so if you're waiting for a response or a meeting, please be patient—I'll follow up soon.

It's been a couple of weeks since I've shared updates on Return on Investment (ROI) and Economic Mobility, so I want to revisit these topics in this message. This builds on previous President/CEO Messages, [March 28](#), [May 2](#), [July 10](#), [July 31](#), [August 7](#), [August 29](#), [September 19](#), [September 26](#), and especially the [October 24](#) update.

We've drafted a plan to develop an ROI and Economic Mobility framework to guide our efforts and secure external funding. My goal is to move this plan through the collaborative governance process and gather creative input before finalizing it by the end of the semester.

The full plan will be included in next week's [President/CEO Message](#) and presented at the upcoming Compton College Academic Senate meeting. As I've mentioned before, it's critical that we define what ROI and Economic Mobility mean for our students and community, rather than letting legislation like the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (H.R. 1) define them for us. Developing this framework is an important step toward that goal.

Now, an important reminder regarding the Compton College Student Housing Project. The modular installation began **today, November 7, 2025**, with the crane arrival.

From **November 10 to November 26, 2025**, about 10 modules will be delivered daily between 4:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., traveling from Torrance to campus via Artesia Blvd. and Main Campus Drive. During installation, East Greenleaf Entrance and Lot E will be closed, and access to Lot F via Main Campus Drive will be blocked. Staff who usually park in Lot E should use Lot F and enter through West Greenleaf, which will remain open. A map of truck routes and affected areas is available at [www.compton.edu/about/docs/Modular-Setting-Coordination-Plan.pdf](http://www.compton.edu/about/docs/Modular-Setting-Coordination-Plan.pdf). Please plan to arrive earlier than normal on campus, as we anticipate traffic on the main campus drive.

Today's President/CEO Message includes an update on CalFresh and CalWORKs support, a reminder about the Legislative Priorities survey, information about the 2026-2027 Scholarship Application, and more.

#### **Enrollment Update – November 6, 2025**

- 221 FTES for the **Winter 2026** term. 1,958 (65%) of the available Winter seats are currently filled.
- 96 FTES for the **Spring 2026** term. 643 (4%) of the available seats are currently filled after only two days of priority registration.

#### **Additional Support for CalFresh and CalWORKs Students Will Continue**

As a follow-up to the [President/CEO Message – October 31, 2025](#), and to my email to the campus community on **Monday, November 3, 2025**, Compton College will continue to provide additional support to CalFresh and CalWORKs students in response to anticipated cuts to SNAP (CalFresh) benefits during the week of **November 10, 2025**. We know there has been a lot of legal activity regarding SNAP benefits, but to ensure our students

receive services, we will continue to implement our support plan. Eligible CalFresh and CalWORKs students will receive additional Farmers' Market vouchers, free meals at the Everytable cafeteria, and (for CalWORKs students only) Grocery Outlet vouchers.

This evening, eligible students will receive an email outlining the plan and the additional benefits they will receive from Compton College. Next ***Friday, November 14, 2025***, students will receive another update from us with information about the support available for the upcoming week.

If students have questions or need further assistance, please direct them to:

- **Student Equity Department** (Student Services Building, Room 230)
- **CalFresh Program:** 310-900-1600, ext. 2974 | [calfresh@compton.edu](mailto:calfresh@compton.edu)
- **CalWORKs Program:** 310-900-1600, ext. 2072 | [calworks@compton.edu](mailto:calworks@compton.edu)

Thank you for your continued support of our students, and please remind students to check their @compton.edu email for all college communications.

### **Preparing for Spring 2026 Peak Registration**

As we look ahead to the Spring 2026 semester, it may feel early to talk about Peak Registration hours, but planning now ensures we're ready to give students the best possible start. Peak Registration is more than extended office hours; it's our opportunity to remove barriers and make enrollment stress-free. These extra days and times allow students to complete every step—from applying online and registering for classes to accessing support services—without feeling rushed or overwhelmed.

Sharing this information now helps each office prepare thoughtfully. Updating webpages before winter break, confirming staffing plans, and aligning resources means that when students arrive in ***February 2026***, we're ready to greet them with confidence and care.

Here's what's ahead:

- Winter Break: ***December 24, 2025, through January 1, 2026***
- Campus Reopens: ***January 2, 2026***
- Winter Term Begins: ***January 5, 2026***
- Spring Term Start Dates: ***Saturday classes begin February 14, 2026, weekday classes begin Tuesday, February 17, 2026***

Peak Registration Hours:

- ***Saturday, February 7, 2026:*** 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
- ***February 9–12, 2026 and February 17–19, 2026:*** 8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- ***Fridays (February 20 & 27, 2026):*** 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Please note that on Lincoln's Holiday (***February 13, 2026***) and Washington's Holiday (***February 16, 2026***), the campus is closed, and no classes are in session.

### **In-Person President/CEO Student Forum on November 12, 2025**

The next President/CEO Student Forum will be held in person on ***Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 2:30 p.m.*** in the Student Services Building, Room 212. This is a great opportunity for students to engage directly with me, ask questions, and share their thoughts on the semester. Please share this information with your students.

### **Scholarship Applications Now Open for 2026–2027**

Compton College students can now apply for scholarships to help cover tuition, books, and other college expenses. These are *gift funds*—they don't need to be repaid—and students can apply for multiple scholarships

with just one application through the **MyCompton portal**. A 300-word personal statement is required, along with a brief online questionnaire completed by a Compton College faculty member or classified professional. For a complete list of scholarships, click [here](#).

The deadline to apply is **February 28, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.**, and selected recipients will receive their awards during the 2026-2027 academic year. Employees are encouraged to let students know about this opportunity and refer them to the [Reading & Writing Center](#) for help crafting their personal statements.

### **Help Shape Our 2026 Legislative Priorities**

All Compton CCD employees are invited to share their insights through our updated 2025–2026 Legislative Priorities Survey. Your feedback will help guide our advocacy efforts at the state and federal levels, including the development of talking points for meetings with elected officials in early 2026. Please submit your responses by **Wednesday, November 12, 2025**. Click [here](#) to access the survey.

### **Final Thoughts**

I wanted to congratulate the Los Angeles Dodgers on winning the World Series. I know we have many Dodger fans on campus, including me. I also wanted to remind you that **Tuesday, November 11, 2025**, is Veterans Day, and the campus will be closed.

In closing, please enjoy your weekend with family and friends.

Sincerely,

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