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Sent on behalf of Dr. Curry, President/CEO

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Campus Community,

I know many of you are waiting on the announcement of the move-in date for the Student Services Building. Although Chief Facilities Officer Linda Owens and Vice President of Administrative Services Dr. Abdul Nasser provide me with weekly updates on the progress of the project, I cannot give a move-in date until next week. As I mentioned to Nicole Jones, Vice President of Student Services, I need everyone packed and ready to move so that when we have a confirmed move-in date, we are ready to go. Thank you to everyone for your patience with the new Student Services Building move.

Today's President/CEO Message – January 20, 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 1,502 newly recorded confirmed cases in Los Angeles County (and cases reported by Long Beach and Pasadena health departments) as of noon on **January 18, 2023**. For more information, go to [publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/data/](https://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/data/). Los Angeles County's current CDC Community Level is Medium. Visit the [LACDPH Post-Surge Dashboard and Strategies](#) webpage for more information.

### **Spring 2023 Enrollment Update**

As of *yesterday, January 19, 2023*, Compton College has generated the following:

- 876 FTES for the **Spring 2023** term. Our fill rate for Spring is currently 38%, and 6,048 seats are filled.

Click [here](#) to view yesterday's enrollment snapshot.

### **Accreditation Update**

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) has confirmed the dates for our comprehensive review to determine the reaffirmation of accreditation, as well as the chair and vice chair of the peer review team. Dr. Henry Shannon, Superintendent/President of Chaffey College, has been appointed Chair of the Peer Review Team, and Dr. Torence Powell, Superintendent/President of Napa Valley College, has been appointed Vice Chair.

The Focused Site Visit will take place during the week of **February 19, 2024**. This will be an on-site visit to Compton College in which the team will gather additional information via interviews, data requests, and meetings to discuss the Core Inquiries. The ACCJC anticipates the Focused Site Visit will be a shorter visit with a smaller team; nevertheless, we ask you to hold the entire week for flexibility in scheduling meetings.

To allow the team adequate preparation for the visit, the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report must be submitted no later than **August 1, 2023**. In order to kick off the college's review process, the Team Chair will contact us to schedule a virtual meet and greet session between the team and college personnel, as well as an open forum before the Team ISER Review scheduled for **October 18, 2023**.

### **Inaugural Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast Celebration**

The breakfast celebration was well-attended by employees, community members and local elected officials. City Pride Magazine posted [photos from the event online](#). I want to say thank you again to the planning committee, I look forward to next year's event.

### **Leaders, Policymakers and Experts React to Gov. Newsom's Education Budget**

[EdSource has published a commentary that includes reactions to the governor's 2023-2024 proposed budget.](#)

From students to administrators to practitioners and advocates, more than 60 education insiders, including myself, share their thoughts on how well Governor Gavin Newsom's 2023-2024 budget proposal meets their priorities for early education, K-12 schools, and the state's public colleges and universities. Click [here](#) to see what education leaders are saying about the governor's postsecondary education budget proposals.

### **Mobile Food Pantry at Compton College**

Compton College, in collaboration with the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, will host a mobile food pantry every second Tuesday, beginning **February 14, 2023**, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in Parking Lot F. Drive-thru and walk-ups are welcome; the food bank is open to the public. Enter campus from Greenleaf Boulevard (between Santa Fe Ave. and Long Beach Blvd.) Please share this information with your family and friends. Click [here](#) for more information.

We are looking for volunteers to distribute food to our students and the surrounding community on **Tuesday, February 14, 2023**, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have time to volunteer for this event, please email [tartarsupport@compton.edu](mailto:tartarsupport@compton.edu).

### **Order Your Books for Spring 2023 Now!**

The Compton College Bookstore is accepting orders for spring 2023 textbooks. Students can order online 24/7 at <https://www.bkstr.com/comptonstore>, or stop by the campus store, Monday-Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

### **Winter 2023 Student Resources Available**

It's not too late to apply for free resources for the winter term. Laptops, Wi-Fi hotspots, food, housing referrals, and financial assistance are available to currently enrolled students via the Student Resources Form, available [here](#).

### **Connect with EASE**

The [January 2023 issue of the "Connect with EASE" Newsletter](#) focuses on building healthy habits for the new year including the featured article "New Year, New You?" The online newsletter includes resources to help develop healthy habits and information about the upcoming [January 25, 2023 workshop "Building Healthy Habits that Last."](#)

### **Final Thoughts**

We will begin the spring 2023 semester with a mandatory Professional Development Day on **Thursday, February 9, 2023** via Zoom Meeting from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The keynote speaker will be [Eric R. Felix](#), assistant professor of Administration, Rehabilitation, and Postsecondary Education at San Diego State University. Next week, we will share more information on Spring 2022 Professional Development Day, including the agenda.

Sincerely,

Keith Curry, Ed.D.

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President/CEO

Compton College