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**Subject:** President/CEO Message - June 29, 2023

Campus Community,

Happy Thursday! Tomorrow is the second Friday of our summer 4/10 work weeks, and the campus is closed. Please enjoy your weekend with your friends and family. Today's Supreme Court decision to bar race-conscious admissions, after more than five decades of creating more diverse student bodies and more significant inroads toward racial equity in higher education, is troubling and disappointing. Now more than ever at Compton College, we must double our racial equity efforts and ensure that our students successfully achieve their academic and career goals, including transferring to four-year colleges and universities. Over the next couple of weeks, we will review the decision and have conversations with state and federal officials to better understand the potential impact the decision will have on the community we serve.

Today's President/CEO Message – June 29, 2023, includes reminders about student parking permits, the summer 2023 grace period, the weekly farmers' market, and the upcoming mobile food pantry scheduled for July 11.

### **Summer and Fall 2023 Enrollment Update**

As of *today, June 29, 2023*, Compton College has generated:

- 471 FTES for the **Summer 2023** term. Our fill rate for Summer is currently 75%, and seats filled is 3,962.
- 609 FTES for the **Fall 2023** term. Our fill rate for Fall is currently 22%, and seats filled is 3,677.

The second six-week summer session begins Monday, July 3. [Click here](#) for a list of open sections.

### **2023-2024 Student Parking Permits**

Current students may park free at Compton College through June 30, 2024, with a valid parking permit. Students must complete the online application (<https://paymycite.com/Compton/parkingpermit.aspx>) for their free 2023-2024 parking permit. Upon completing the online transaction, students will receive an email with a link to download and print their student parking permits. **Please note:** the 2022-2023 student parking permits expire *tomorrow, June 30, 2023*. Students must complete a new application online and download the 2023-2024 permit that is good from *July 1, 2023*, through *June 30, 2024*.

A one-week grace period for parking (in student lots only) will be provided for the winter and summer terms and two weeks for the spring and fall semesters for students to display a parking permit. No citations will be issued for vehicles properly parked in marked student spaces during this period; all other parking violations will be enforced.

***The Summer 2023 grace period ends Friday, July 7. Parking citations will be issued beginning Monday, July 10, 2023.***

### **Student Services Peak Registration Extended Hours for Fall 2023**

Monday, August 14 – Friday, September 1, 2023

- Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday, August 19 from 8:00 to noon
- Saturday, August 26 from 8:00 a.m. to noon

### **Summer 2023 Mobile Food Pantry Events**

The Mobile Food Pantry program, hosted by the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, continues this summer at Compton College on **July 11, 2023**, and **August 8, 2023**, from 1:00 -3:00 p.m. Please share this information with your family and friends!

The Mobile Food Pantry is open to the public on a drive-thru & walk-up basis and will take place in Parking Lot F. Enter campus from Greenleaf Boulevard (between Santa Fe Ave. and Long Beach Blvd.) Click [here](#) for more details.

Volunteers are needed to assist with food distribution. If you have time between 12:45 and 3:15 p.m. on **July 11** or **August 8**, please email the Tartar Support Network at [tartarsupport@compton.edu](mailto:tartarsupport@compton.edu).

### **Weekly Farmers' Market on Wednesdays**

All current Compton College students are eligible to receive \$20 each week in farmers' market vouchers. Students may stop by the farmers' market between 3:00 and 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays with their Compton College Student ID card and receive \$20 vouchers to spend at the market. The farmers' market is located in the Tartar Village, east of Parking Lot A.

At the market, attendees may use their CalFresh EBT benefits, WIC, and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program checks (FMNP) to purchase groceries. The market features popular programs, such as the Los Angeles County-supported American Rescue Plan (ARP) Market Match, a healthy food incentive program that makes fruits and vegetables more affordable through a dollar-for-dollar match on EBT purchases. CalFresh can be used toward ARP Market Match incentives to receive up to \$20 to buy fruits and vegetables at the market. This program is vital in supporting local farmers in promoting sustainable food systems and community food security.

The farmers' market is currently seeking new vendors; those interested are encouraged to apply. Farmers, food vendors, artisans, community partners, nonprofits, and more can apply to become a vendor online at <https://seela.org/become-a-vendor>.

### **Final Thoughts**

If you heard the rumor, yes, yesterday was my birthday, and I had a wonderful time with my family, including Kamilo Ali Curry. Last evening during dinner, Kamilo was sharing how much he loves Compton College and the Child Development Center (CDC), and he was hoping to come to work with me today to visit the CDC to say hello to the staff. I share this story because I have witnessed firsthand the impact of our work in supporting student success with my child. He is interested in attending community college, and you can guess which one, and transferring to a University of California campus. He is interested in Compton College because of his positive experience. As we continue to support our current and potential new students, we must put them first and be responsive to their needs.

In closing, have a safe and enjoyable 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Remember, we are open on **Monday, July 3, 2023**.

Sincerely,

Keith Curry, Ed.D.  
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President/CEO  
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