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Campus Community,

I hope everyone had a very productive and enjoyable week. I want to thank Everytable for ensuring we had enough meals for students and employees. We ran short on a few days last week, so students and employees are taking advantage of the free daily meals. We will continue to monitor the number of meals distributed daily and make necessary adjustments throughout the semester.

Over the next couple of weeks, we will also assess the locations of all vending machines on campus, including the Everytable vending machine, and make sure they are all stocked. We are looking into adding additional vending machines near the Library-Student Success Center and the Allied Health Building in addition to the one already located in Tartar Village.

During my Fall 2023 Professional Development Day presentation, I mentioned that one of my "Big Ideas" for 2023-2024 is to double down on our student transfer programs and services efforts. One of the recommendations is to implement [#TransferThursday](#) starting next week; thank you to the Transfer Center for this recommendation. Employees and students would wear college/university gear from their alma maters or transfer destinations on Thursdays, particularly on *Thursday, October 5, 2023*, in honor of our Annual Transfer Fair, scheduled for 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Quad.

Today's President/CEO Message – September 1, 2023, includes new student petitions, a request for scholarship recommendations, the September 12 Public Hearing on the 2023-2024 Budget, and more.

Fall 2023 Enrollment Update

As of *yesterday, August 31, 2023*, Compton College has generated 1,433 FTES for the Fall 2023 term. Our fill rate for Fall is currently 62%, and seats filled is 9,909.

Unit Load and Overlapping Courses

Maximum Unit Load

[Administrative Regulation 5900 - Study Load Limitations](#) was issued on April 18, 2023, and increased the maximum study load for full-time students from 19 units to 20 units. The unit load increase went into effect in Fall 2023. Students must submit an [Overload Petition](#) to Admissions and Records if they want to enroll in more than 20 units. To be eligible for overload, students must have completed at least 12 units at Compton College or another accredited institution of higher education with an overall grade-point average of 2.5 or higher to be eligible for overload. The form is available on the [Admissions and Records Forms](#) webpage.

Multiple and Overlapping Enrollments

Effective Fall 2023, [Board Policy](#) and [Administrative Regulation 4226](#) - Multiple and Overlapping Enrollments will allow students to enroll in courses with up to 10 minutes of overlapping time. If approved, students will be required to make up for the missed classroom time. A new [Course Time Conflict Petition](#) has been created to assist with managing the implementation of the new policy. The form is available on the [Admissions and Records Forms](#) webpage.

New Compton College Scholarship Recommendations

The Financial Aid Office and Foundation for Compton Community College District have been tasked with developing new scholarships using the \$400,000 set aside from the Intelcom settlement I discussed in the [President/CEO Message – August 25, 2022](#). An example of a new scholarship may be awarded to students transferring to CSU, UC, and out-of-state universities. Please send recommendations to Keith Cobb, director of Financial Aid, to kcobb@compton.edu by *Friday, September 8, 2023*. Recommendations should include criteria, award amounts, and student audiences.

September 12, 2023, Board of Trustees Meeting and Public Budget Hearing

The public is invited to the upcoming Compton Community College District Board Meeting and Budget Hearing on *Tuesday, September 12*, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room in the Administration Building. The Board Agenda is posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Agendas are posted on the BoardDocs website under the "Meetings" tab at: <https://www.compton.edu/district/board-of-trustees/meetings.aspx>.

The Budget Hearing will allow the public to comment on the proposed 2023-2024 Compton Community College District Final Budget. The 2023-2024 final budget is now on file and available for public inspection online [here](#).

Mobile Food Pantry is Scheduled for Tuesday, September 12, 2023, from 1-3 p.m.

In collaboration with the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank, Compton College will continue to host a mobile food pantry every second *Tuesday – September 12, October 10, November 14, and December 12* - 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 details.

Compton Community College District to Hold Community Meeting September 14

The Compton Community College District will hold a Community Meeting on *Thursday, September 14, 2023*, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the NHS Center for Sustainable Communities at 1051 W. Rosecrans Avenue, Compton, CA 90222. Refreshments will be served.

Compton CCD Board of Trustees President Barbara Calhoun will host the meeting. Topics to be covered include Compton College student enrollment and academic programs offered, basic needs programs and services for Compton College students, financial aid and scholarships available, a facilities update, the 12-in-4 dual enrollment campaign for local high school students, and the expansion of the Oliver W. Conner College Promise Program that pays for two years of enrollment fees at Compton College for all first-time college students regardless of age or whether or not they reside in the District service area.

More information is available [online](#).

Equal Employment Opportunity Committee

The District has established an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Advisory Committee to assist the District in implementing its [Equal Employment Opportunity Plan](#) and promote an understanding and support of equal opportunity and nondiscrimination policies and procedures. The committee works in coordination with other groups on campus to sponsor events, training, and other activities that promote equal employment opportunity, nondiscrimination, retention, and diversity.

The EEO Committee members include Jennifer Burchett, Sarorth Lai, Dosalma Martinez, Dr. Donald Roach, Dr. Minodora Moldoveanu, Dr. Paul Flor, Lydell Willis, and LaVetta Johnson. This month, the committee composition was changed to include an Associated Student Government representative, Tamarria Shamaine Wilson.

On *August 29, 2023*, the 2023-2024 EEO Committee held its first meeting of the fall semester to discuss the updated [Board Policy 7100 - Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility](#), the 2023-2026 EEO Plan timelines and expectations, EEO training for hiring committees, campuswide EEO training scheduled for *November 17, 2023*, and the [California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office's EEO 10-Point Plan Faculty Diversity Hiring](#). The committee is scheduled to meet again to review the draft 2023-2026 EEO Plan after it has been reviewed by various campus constituency groups, such as the President/CEO's Cabinet, Deans and Directors, the Academic Senate, and the Consultative Council.

President/CEO Closing the Loop

In spring 2023, the U.S. Department of Education announced that institutions could request a no-cost extension for the use of their Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) and American Rescue Plan funds. Over the summer, we submitted our request, which was approved through June 30, 2024. For 2023-2024, we allocated the remaining balance of \$1,255,365* to maintain funding for student resources and services. Below is the approved budget:

American Rescue Plan	
FY24 Budget	
Funding*	\$1,255,365
Expenses:	
Black & Males of Color Program	\$120,000
Everytable	\$400,000
Farmers' Market	\$250,000
Computers & Technology	\$250,000
Compton College Annual Planning Recommendations	\$50,000
Guaranteed Income Program for EOP/CARE and CalWORKs.	\$150,000
Emergency Aid (Fall & Spring)	\$35,365

**Subject to change as the 2022-2034 books are closed.*

Final Thoughts

I am excited that the Compton Football Team will be playing its first game of the season this weekend at Los Angeles Pierce College on **Saturday, September 2, 2023**, at 6:00 p.m. For up-to-date information on Compton College Athletics, please visit their website at: www.comptontartars.com.

I know many of you are excited about the holiday weekend. Please be safe and enjoy your time with family and friends. The number of COVID-19 cases has been increasing in Los Angeles County, and we are in discussions with St. John's Community Health regarding the booster shot for the new variant. We anticipate the booster shot being available on our campus later this month.

Sincerely,

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 President/CEO
 Compton College