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Campus Community,

It is the end of week three of the fall 2023 semester already! I enjoyed visiting the Everytable Cafeteria and Farmers' Market this week and seeing employees and students at both locations taking advantage of these wonderful resources. When talking to students, they know about those services being offered on campus, and many are telling friends and family, which is good for future enrollment. In the coming weeks, you will hear more about our "One More Class! Campaign" and how we have reached out to Los Angeles County under the guidance of [Assembly Bill 2627 - Bauer-Kahan](#) - Electronically collected personal information: local agencies: the California Community Colleges: memorandum of understanding. AB 2627 allows data-sharing agreements with our local agencies to receive directory information. We have already submitted our request, which will allow us to reach out directly to unemployed individuals within our district, helping us achieve one of our outreach and recruitment goals of connecting with adult learners.

Also, this week, I held a meeting to discuss the Oliver W. Conner College Promise Program, and in the coming weeks, we will be sharing our funding plan for the next ten years for this program. As mentioned in the [President/CEO Message – May 19, 2023](#), at the *May 16, 2023*, Board of Trustees Meeting, the Board approved [Compton Community College District Resolution No. 05-16-2023A - Resolution To Expand College Access and Affordability Through the College Promise](#), which expands the Oliver W. Conner College Promise Program to all first-time Compton College students. Compton College will offer two years of free enrollment fees to all eligible new students, regardless of age or whether they live within the Compton CCD or not, beginning this fall 2023 semester. The program will be funded with funding from the Oliver W. Conner Estate. More information on the [Oliver W. Conner College Promise Program](#) and the ten-year funding plan will be included in a future President/CEO Message.

And yes, enrollment is up, but we continue to push toward achieving our 5,980 Full-Time Equivalent Students (FTES) goal for Compton College.

Today's President/CEO Message – September 8, 2023, includes information about the *September 14* Community Meeting, the Dean's List, a reminder about tomorrow's Active Shooter Training in the Student Services Building, and more.

Fall 2023 Enrollment Update

As of *September 5, 2023*, Compton College has generated 1,426 FTES for the Fall 2023 term. Our fill rate for Fall is currently 62%, and seats filled is 9,826.

Public Notice of Third-Party Feedback Opportunity

The Compton Community College District will undergo a regularly scheduled comprehensive evaluation visit in Spring 2024 by a team representing the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). Compton College is accredited by the ACCJC and was last evaluated and regained accreditation in *June 2017*. This upcoming review coincides with the normal accreditation visit cycle every seven years.

As part of the accreditation reaffirmation process, the college community and public may submit comments about Compton College directly to the ACCJC by completing a third-party comment form on the ACCJC website: <https://accjc.org/forms/third-party-comments/> no later than five weeks before the peer review team visit, which will take place in *March 2023*.

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](#).

Student Services Active Shooter Training

Today, we held the Active Shooter Training in the Student Services Building. All Student Services employees participated in an active shooter drill and a Q&A session with Campus Police and local emergency agency representatives. St. John's Community Health was also available to answer employees' questions. This training was held in the Student Services Building, closed for services.

Compton College Dean's List

Questions have been asked recently about the Dean's List and where this information is noted. As indicated on the 53 of the [2023-2024 Course Catalog](#), "Students, in any one semester, who complete twelve (12) or more units with a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher will have the Dean's List notation appear on their transcript for that semester." The notation is automatically recorded on the student's record at the end of each semester.

Final Thoughts

In the [President/CEO Message – September 1, 2023](#), I mentioned we are implementing **#TransferThursday**, where employees and students are encouraged to wear college/university gear from their alma maters or transfer destinations on Thursdays. Please note that we have been working on donations for college/university gear that will be donated to employees. Currently, UC Davis, UC Merced, UC Irvine, CSU Dominguez Hills, CSU Long Beach, National University, Pomona College, Sacramento State University, and the University of Southern California have already pledged to support our new transfer awareness campaign. Don't be surprised if you receive free apparel, as we ask the colleges and universities to sponsor different departments on campus. Please show your support for **#TransferThursday**.

Yesterday, I attended the Strong Workforce Action Committee. This committee is working on its goals for 2023-2024, which will be taken to the Student Success Committee. One of their goals, which needs to be

discussed further, is the implementation of **#WorkforceWednesdays**; I love the idea and can't wait to hear more details.

Lastly, I would like to share an animated representation of the Physical Education Complex Replacement Project, which is scheduled to go out to bid for construction sometime next month. Click [here](#) to view the video; it's incredible.

I hope everyone has a beautiful weekend, and please be safe.

Sincerely,

Keith Curry, Ed.D.

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President/CEO

Compton College