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Campus Community,

Happy Friday! We are thrilled to share the success of our annual Job Fair, which was held on ***Saturday, March 1, 2025***. Compton Community College District, in collaboration with the City of Compton and Compton Unified School District's Personnel Commission, hosted this event in the Library-Student Success Center. The event attracted 121 motivated individuals who had the opportunity to explore a variety of available positions at Compton College, the City of Compton, and the Compton Unified School District.

Attendees enjoyed a delicious choice of lunch options and refreshing aguas frescas while also benefiting from complimentary resume writing and interview skills workshops. These workshops provided valuable guidance on crafting impactful resumes and mastering successful interview techniques, ensuring participants were well-equipped to pursue their career goals. Free professional headshots were also offered, and applicants were given access to the computer room to begin the application process.

Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to this successful event.

Today's President/CEO Message includes an update on Compton College Athletics, upcoming opportunities for students and employees to be engaged with the campus community, including a special opportunity for students to meet Congresswoman Maxine Waters on March 19, administration updates, and more.

### **Spring 2025 Enrollment Update**

As of *yesterday, March 6, 2025*, Compton College generated 1,572 FTES for the Spring 2025 term. Our fill rate for Spring is currently 69%, and 11,086 seats are filled.

While enrollment for full-term courses has closed, potential students can still register for a range of short-term classes. For a list of available classes, click [here](#). Additionally, the Spring 2025 short-term calendar can be accessed online at [www.compton.edu/academics/docs/Spring-2025-Short-Term-Calendar.pdf](http://www.compton.edu/academics/docs/Spring-2025-Short-Term-Calendar.pdf).

### **Compton College Athletics Update**

#### Winter Sports

##### Men's Basketball

- Coach Keith Hollimon led the team to a 20-10 record, tying for 1st in the South Coast Conference (SCC).
- Exciting playoff win against #13 Mira Costa College (70-68).
- The season ended with a 2nd round loss to #4 Mt. SAC.
- Awards: Keith Hollimon (Coach of the Year), Zoe Holmon (Player of the Year), Jordan English (All-SCC South First Team), Honorable Mentions for Rey Daniels, Elijah Evans, and Kentrell Freeman.

##### Women's Basketball

- Coach Lewis Nelson and the team finished 2-20.
- SCC 1st Team: JC Butler (12.3 points, 5.4 rebounds, 2 steals), Shamarrah Jones (15.7 points, 4.4 rebounds, 2.3 steals).
- 2nd Team: Logan Atkins (4.4 points, 8.7 rebounds), DeArviana Watts (4.6 points, 7.2 rebounds).

#### Spring Sports

##### Women's Badminton

- Coaches Jose Garcia and Luis Montoya started the season 0-2, with their first home match this week.

##### Men's Baseball

- Coach Shannon Williams and the team are 3-13. South Coast Conference play starts mid-March.

#### Women's Softball

- Coach Victoria Castillo leads 13 athletes with a 6-5-2 record.

#### Men's and Women's Track and Field

- Coach David Austin's team shows improvement, with 12 athletes in over 10 events.

For updates, schedules, results, and more, visit the [Compton College Athletics website](#).

### **Library-Student Success Center Open House**

The Emily B. Hart-Holifield Library, Student Success Center, and MESA|STEM Center are hosting an Open House on **March 12, 2025, from noon to 2:00 p.m.** Discover more about academic resources available to students in our library, tutoring centers, and specialized focus on STEM students. We look forward to seeing you!

### **President/CEO Virtual Student Forum**

I will host a virtual forum next week on **Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at 2:30 p.m.** Students will have the opportunity to join via Zoom ([Meeting ID 835 3285 3976](#), passcode 790951) and ask me questions.

### **Second Annual Basic Needs Fair**

Compton College is hosting its annual Basic Needs Fair on **Wednesday, March 12, 2025, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. in The Village**. This is an opportunity for students to gather information on community resources that deal with employment, housing, health, legal services, and food insecurity. Non-profit and community-based organizations will be available to answer students' questions. For more information, stop by the Student Equity Office in SSB, Room 230.

### **Compton College Campuswide Forum**

Employees are invited to a virtual Campuswide Forum on **Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 2:30 p.m.** via Zoom. The focus will be on accreditation, the 2025-2026 Compton Community College District Budget, and the [Compton College 2035 Comprehensive Master Plan](#). To participate, please register in advance using this link: [Compton College Campuswide Forum Online Registration](#).

### **Opportunity for Students to Meet Congresswoman Maxine Waters**

We are thrilled to announce a special opportunity for Compton College students to meet with Congresswoman Maxine Waters (CA—District 43) on **Wednesday, March 19, 2025**, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Little Theater on campus.

This is a chance for Compton College students to:

- Ask questions and get insights into the legislative world
- Share their concerns and ideas directly with a California Congressional representative
- Learn more about how Congresswoman Waters is working to represent all college students and higher education at the Capitol.

Congresswoman Waters is eager to hear from students and gather ideas on how she can best serve our community, including Compton College. Please share this invitation with your classes/students to ensure everyone has the chance to participate.

### **President/CEO Closing the Loop**

I am excited to share some fantastic news with you all. What started as a recommendation from Board of Trustees Vice President Sonia Lopez during our visit to Washington, D.C., in **February 2025** has now become a reality. We have successfully installed a County of Los Angeles Community Health Kiosk on campus, located between the cafeteria and the Bookstore.

This self-serve vending machine dispenses free COVID-19 Antigen tests, harm-reduction products, sexual health supplies, and educational materials. I want to extend my gratitude to Reuben James, director of Purchasing and Auxiliary Services, for his collaboration with the Los Angeles Department of Public Health, which made this possible. The first of two kiosks has been installed, marking a significant milestone in our commitment to community health. We are proud to be the first community college in Los Angeles County to request and receive such a kiosk. This initiative is a game-changer for our campus, and I believe it will have a positive impact on the well-being of our community.

### **Final Thoughts**

As we wrap up this week's update, I want to share some important news. Our Vice President of Administrative Services, Dr. Abdul Nasser, has submitted his letter of resignation, effective **June 30, 2025**, due to health concerns.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to Dr. Nasser for his expertise and dedication to the fiscal well-being of the Compton Community College District. His assistance with budget and facilities has been invaluable. Dr. Nasser joined us on **January 19, 2021**, midway through the pandemic, and his leadership during these challenging times has been greatly appreciated.

One of Dr. Nasser's final assignments will be assisting with the hiring of his replacement, ensuring a smooth transition for our administrative services. This afternoon, Human Resources will begin the recruitment for the Vice President of Administrative Services position, with an anticipated start date of **July 1, 2025**.

Additionally, I would like to announce the retirement of our Director of Admissions & Records, Richette Bell. Richette's last day will be **April 4, 2025**. Richette is retiring after 12 years of dedicated service to Compton College students. Her commitment and contributions have greatly impacted our community, and we are grateful for her years of service.

We will announce the interim Director of Admissions and Records position this afternoon. The interim position will be open for seven days, and both internal and external applicants are welcome to apply.

In closing, thank you to everyone for their continued support and dedication to our students. Have a great weekend with family and friends.

Sincerely,

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