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Campus Community,

Happy Friday! I hope everyone had a wonderful week. As mentioned in the [President/CEO Message – January 23, 2026](#), this week, the Board of Trustees and I participated in the Community College League of California's [Effective Trusteeship and Board Chair Workshop](#) and the [2026 Annual Legislative Conference](#). We met with several statewide elected officials and legislative staff from multiple committees. I came away with a few key insights. The most significant is that we will need to wait until later in the spring for updated information on California's projected revenue for 2026-2027. I also learned that many legislators are preparing to introduce bills that could affect Compton College. I'm looking forward to the legislative deadline to introduce bills, which is ***Friday, February 20, 2026***, so we can review what was introduced and by whom.

As a follow-up to the [President/CEO Message - January 9, 2026](#) and the [President/CEO Message – January 16, 2026](#), where I shared Governor Newsom's [proposed 2026–2027 California State Budget](#) and noted that we were seeking clarification from the Chancellor's Office regarding whether the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for categorical programs applies to Compton College's restricted programs, I have also contacted the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office about our future-year revenue projections under the Student Centered Funding Formula. This clarification is essential as we update the Compton Community College District Five-Year Fiscal Management Plan.

At the [January 28, 2026, Planning and Budget Committee](#) meeting, we shared a draft of the revised Compton CCD Five-Year Fiscal Management Plan, and I want to emphasize that it was only a draft. My goal is to share a fully revised fiscal management plan with the campus community by the last week of ***February 2026***.

As mentioned in the [President/CEO Message - January 23, 2026](#), the agenda for the Spring 2026 Professional Development Day has been finalized. Please click [here](#) to view the agenda for the mandatory Professional Development Day scheduled for ***Thursday, February 12, 2026***, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium. As a reminder, all full-time employees (faculty, classified professionals, and managers/supervisors) must participate in the Spring 2026 Professional Development Day.

Today's President/CEO Message includes a reminder to submit your Year-End events by February 21, information regarding the February 2 Compton CCD Board of Trustees Retreat, and much more.

Spring 2026 Enrollment Update

As of ***January 29, 2026***, Compton College has generated 1,424 FTES for the Spring 2026 term, and 10,339 seats (61% of those available) are currently filled.

Spring 2026 key enrollment indicators continue to show strong progress compared to this time last year. With just 16 days remaining before the start of the Spring term, more than 60 percent of available seats are already filled. Please remind students to visit the Student Services Building and meet with a Counselor to create or update their education plan and register for a full-time course load.

Black History Month Event

The Associated Student Government and the Student Development Office invite all Compton College students to stop by the Multipurpose Room on **Monday, February 23, 2026**, from noon to 1:30 p.m. to "Sip (sparkling juice or water) & Paint" pictures of Kings and Queens in honor of Black History Month.

Additional events are scheduled in February. Check the [online calendar of events](#) for more details.

Friendly Reminder: Year-End Events - Details Due February 21, 2026

As we prepare for commencement and the many celebrations honoring our students' accomplishments, please remember that all year-end events are tracked in a single master calendar maintained by the Student Services Division. To help reduce costs, minimize repeated room setups, and avoid overlapping events, please be mindful of other planned celebrations when selecting your dates, times, and locations.

Compton College employees should refer to the **January 16, 2026**, email from Vice President of Student Services, Dr. Nicole Jones, which includes the Year-End Events Calendar template and the required planning checklist for event coordinators.

Let's work together to celebrate our students while being thoughtful and efficient with our resources. Thank you for helping make this year's celebrations smooth, coordinated, and memorable!

Compton Community College District to Hold a Board Retreat on February 2, 2026

The Compton Community College District Board of Trustees will hold a Board Retreat on **Monday, February 2, 2026**, from 5:00–8:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Boardroom. This public meeting will include a discussion of the process and next steps for filling the Trustee Area 2 seat, which becomes vacant on **February 1, 2026**. In accordance with state law, the Board must make a provisional appointment or call a special election by **March 14, 2026**.

The Retreat will also address key planning and operational priorities that will guide the district's work in the coming year. Community members are encouraged to attend. The agenda was posted earlier this evening on [BoardDocs](#) under the "Meetings" tab.

Final Thoughts

I know many of you have seen the news about immigration enforcement actions in Minnesota, and the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids and enforcement activities in Los Angeles County and in the communities we serve. We will continue to monitor immigration enforcement activities in our community. Once again, **let us be clear**: Compton College and Compton Community College District remain unwavering in our commitment to the safety, dignity, and well-being of every member of our campus, especially undocumented students, immigrant students, and those from mixed-status families. ***Every student belongs here. Every student will be supported.***

Compton College is committed to creating a safe space for our students and employees. This means that we will not support or assist with any immigration enforcement activity on campus or at any of our off-site class locations. We will not release student or employee information to immigration agents without proper legal authorization. **If you see Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents on campus or at any college-affiliated site, please contact Campus Police immediately at 310-900-1600, ext. 2790.** Compton College will notify our campus community of any verified immigration enforcement activity on campus or off-site class locations as soon as reasonably possible. This guidance is in accordance with [Administrative Regulation 3415 - Immigration Enforcement Activities](#).

Don't forget about tomorrow's "***Funding Your Future***" event, hosted by the Financial Aid Department, on ***January 31, 2026***. Participants will learn about the various financial assistance programs available and can receive hands-on support in completing their FAFSA or CADA applications. Check-in begins at 8:00 a.m. in the Allied Health Building, Room 119.

Please enjoy your weekend with family and friends.

Sincerely,

Keith Curry, Ed.D.

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President/CEO

Compton College