



## President Mary Gallagher

Welcome Back! As we resume some in-person classes on campus, I am happy to see students, faculty and staff back on the LACC campus. I want to thank all of you for being flexible and patient during a challenging year.

Last year, to ensure the safety of our community, the District decided to significantly limit in-person services and, with the exception of a few labs, pivoted to remote learning. We now have a hybrid of in-person and online classes to offer, providing you with more options to learn in any environment. Student support will now be available both online and on-campus and our Welcome Center will be open for anyone who needs assistance.

Currently, LACC is following Los Angeles County Department of Health guidelines. All students and employees must wear masks while inside buildings. No later than October 8, every student on campus and employee must create a profile and check in to our new District Biocept/Cleared4 system and get a free test with the District vendor. Prior to October 18, all students who plan to be onsite and employees must upload vaccination information (if vaccinated),

or submit a medical or religious exemption request approved by the District.

I will provide more information as the District moves ahead with implementation of the new vaccination policy.

Our Health Center is open and we have worked with Wesley Clinic to staff three new mental health care professionals who are available for all students.

Our commitment to the health, safety and security of our campuses and the communities we serve is our highest priority. I look forward to seeing everyone on campus soon.

Sincerely,  
President Mary Gallagher



## Upcoming Events at LACC

### **Armenian Independence Day Celebration**

September 21, 12:00pm

### **LACC Independence Week: Speech Contest Watch Party**

September 22, 4:00pm  
Watch live on YouTube

### **Student Financial Literacy Fair**

September 24, 10:00am  
at Los Angeles Trade Tech College

### **LACC Independence Week: Movie Night**

September 24, 6:30pm

### **LACC Independence Week: Redistricting and Criminal Justice Reform**

September 25, 9:30am



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# Resources for Students

As we continue to navigate the ongoing challenges of COVID-19, many students need assistance with basic necessities. This month we are highlighting local food banks and resources for food insecurity.

## **Food Oasis Pantry Locator**

This tool shows all the food pantries in your area and gives directions.

## **Los Angeles Regional Food Bank**

The Food Bank locator shows a map of pantries near your residence.

## **California Association of Food Banks**

This food bank network works to ensure that vulnerable communities have consistent and safe access to nutritious food.

## **CalFresh Emergency Application**

Students and families with low income can access CalFresh benefits to put healthy and nutritious food on the table.

**My Friends Place** offers to-go meals.



## **Hollywood Food Coalition**

Free packaged evening meals are being provided. No seating available. 6:15 p.m. – 8 p.m. 5939 Hollywood Blvd. - (323) 462-2032

## **Food Pantry at Blessed Sacrament**

The Food Pantry at Blessed Sacrament distributes groceries, call or email for schedule. 6657 Sunset Blvd, LA, CA 90028.

**L.A. LGBT Center** offers to-go meals.

## **Dream Center Food Truck**

For locations call or email: (213) 273-7042  
foodtruck@dreamcenter.org

## WiFi Parking Now Available at LACC

Students are now able to reserve a spot in parking lot 3 to access WiFi from their car.

We are currently scheduling thirty spaces with plans to add more.

**Please visit [www.lacitycollege.edu](http://www.lacitycollege.edu) for more information.**



# Stay Healthy When Heading Back to Campus

The thought of returning to campus and the classroom after spending the last year learning remotely is exciting, but it might also be a little overwhelming. Here are a few tips to prepare you and keep you healthy and safe when you return.

## Go Back Prepared

Bring travel sized hand sanitizers to use in classrooms, bathrooms and if you touch something in a heavily trafficked areas and there is no sink nearby. Stay vigilant about hand washing to keep yourself and others safe. Also, make sure that you have a mask to wear indoors.

## Stay Organized

Keeping track of classes, assignments, tests and other school-related events and tasks can be easily managed by using calendars and apps on your phone, tablet or computer. You can also use apps to remind you of upcoming projects or tests so you don't risk handing assignments in late or missing exams.

## Stay Focused

Our Student Services department is designed to assist students with their academic and career goals. Counselors are available to help you choose the most suitable degree program based on your current career and academic goals. They can also provide information on financial aid, testing, transferring and community resources.

## Don't be Afraid to Ask for Help

Heading back to campus poses new challenges for everyone. If you are experiencing anxiety, depression or other mental health challenges, we have counselors available in our on campus Health Center to assist you in navigating through a new environment. We also have a dedicated email for any inquiries at [hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu](mailto:hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu).



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