Date: April 1, 2020

Good Afternoon LACC Family:

After our Cesar Chavez holiday yesterday, we returned to classes. We continue to work through this “safe at home” order. It is a new way of working and a new way of going to school. We hope you are finding your way through the new technologies. Be sure to let us know what you need by emailing hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu.

Today, Governor Newsom has declared that schools will be closed in California for the rest of the school year. We will wait for specific word from our State Chancellor and our LACCD Chancellor on how to move forward. Please know that as soon as we can return to campus, we will. We are in the process of planning for that return, so that we are prepared for when the time comes.

We continue to monitor our hotlines:

Hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu
1 (888) 930 - LACC

For support with technology:

lace-techsupport@laccd.edu

From Academic Affairs

We have asked our Faculty to not ask students to buy an additional textbook or supplies that were not listed on the original syllabus. We understand that moving from face-to-face to a remote/online learning environment is no easy task, and that adjustments may need to be made with teaching materials. We have shared open source academic resources for the faculty to use so that students will not have to search for new textbooks and materials.

Please make sure that if you are checking your Canvas account, and using it to access your course materials. If you need help navigating canvas, please call the Welcome Center 1(888) 930 – LACC, or access them through the blue chat button on the www.lacitycollege.edu and our Welcome Center staff will be happy to assist you.

From Student Services
We are up and running with virtual student services through the Cranium Café. Students can make appointments to meet virtually with their counselors on Cranium Café on the LACC website. We are also providing services through the staff in the Office of Special Services. We have supplied our OSS students with most of the equipment they need to successfully complete their courses this term. We expect the last of the needed equipment to be completely distributed to the students next week. The Associated Student Government has donated $20,000 to purchase devices for students who need them. We hope to have those available soon. We continue to work on making more devices available for students daily. Student financial aid disbursements are scheduled for April 22, 2020. Students will be able to withdraw from a course with an Emergency Withdrawal (EW) if they drop a class on or before April 22. Unfortunately, we do not have the opportunity to continue our Pop-up Food Pantry because our supplier is distributing food throughout our community now and they do not have food available right now. Locations of food distribution for students is on the lacitycollege.edu website under the Student Assistance and Resources button at the top of the home page. If students need any medical or psychological assistance, please refer students to the Wesley Clinic located on Vermont Avenue across the street from LACC.

From Administrative Services

Student Laptop Scholarship Distribution has ended on campus for the time being (we are waiting for additional laptops and we will let students know as soon as we have them).

Students who still need books can order online. The bookstore is shipping web orders for spring and Late Start Spring via www.laccbookstore.com We are waiving shipping and pick up fees and making appointments for pick-ups (we are trying to do this within the hours of 9am and 3pm). We are making “shopping” appointments during the same hours (9am-3pm) via bookstore@lacitycollege.edu or phone 323-953-4000 x2142.

We are off and running with our remote online learning. What seemed impossible four weeks ago is happening in a massive way now. You all have been doing amazing work. We stand ready to continue to help make this semester the best it can be.

The article highlighted below is something that should bring a smile to you and warm your heart. Remember we are all going to be okay!

https://jimbotimes.com/2020/04/01/jimbo-times-salutes-laccd-students-going-back-to-school-this-week/

I hope to see you tomorrow at my Town Hall at 1:30p.m.

BELIEVE  ACHIEVE  SUCCEED  There is no other way to do it!

Have a great rest of your week,

Mary
Visit the LACC Website to view this message in Armenian, Korean, Russian or Spanish.