



Office of the President

Date: May 14, 2020

Good Morning LACC Family:

Thank you to those of you who were able to get into the Town Hall with Congressman Schiff. Although we were supposed to have an expanded room for up to 500 participants, it started with only 300. We worked to get it expanded as quickly as we could, but it was too late. I apologize for that. I will make sure when we have large events in the future that we confirm the usage of the larger room. We will be preparing a list of answers to the questions that Congressman Schiff did not have time to answer. Look for that sometime next week.

Chromebooks are coming. Some will be shipped UPS and some will be shipped USPS. We will be sending students who have had a Chromebook shipped an email notice as to who the shipper is and what to expect so we can complete this project. We are very hopeful that all student who need these devices are situated.

We are still collecting names of students who want to participate in our virtual recognition ceremony: *2020:Resilient Times for Brilliant Minds*. **For students to participate in the virtual ceremony, the deadline is today, Thursday, May 14 to apply. The student needs to do two things: 1. Complete the online graduation petition found at: <http://www.lacitycollege.edu/Academics/Counseling/Online-Advising/Graduation-Petition> and send an email to us at: hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu to let us know they want to participate.**

The virtual recognition ceremony will not replace the face-to-face graduation; however, this will give the recognition our students deserve for the hard work they have done. The virtual recognition will be held on Tuesday, June 9 at 5:00 p.m. Here is the website with all of the information about the virtual recognition ceremony: <https://www.lacitycollege.edu/Campus-Life/Office-of-Student-Life/Commencement/Virtual-Recognition>.

The Black graduation ceremony will be virtual this year. It is being held next Tuesday, May 19th at 3:00pm. The link for this event is: <https://sites.google.com/view/laccdaoibgc/events/black-graduation-celebration/2020-virtual-celebration> .

The Lavender graduation ceremony will be held on Tuesday, June 2nd at 4:00. It will be virtual as well. I will send you the information as we receive it.

We were hoping to have a Dean's Honors virtual ceremony, but we do not have enough time to pull it all together. I am disappointed, but I am working on something special for our

students who have worked so hard and achieved so much. More to come on that. The LACC Foundation will probably be sending scholarships checks to the recipients the first week of June.

Open enrollment for summer classes begins on Monday, May 18th. Please make sure your students who want to take summer classes have registered before Monday so they can get their classes ahead of others.

It is not too late for student to petition for an EW (emergency withdrawal) or a Pass/No Pass. If any of you students need this, please go to the Student Assistance & Resources page on the main web page to get the form to complete.

As I write this message to you, I think of how much has changed in the last ten weeks. We could not have predicted this. And perhaps this time next year, we will just have a fleeting memory of it as we prepare to end our next year and graduate our class of 2021...But it will remain a part of what we do next year for the face-to-face graduation of our class of 2020. Who would have thought...

BELIEVE ACHIEVE SUCCEED! Preparing our students for the next chapter is what you do so well.

Be well and be safe,

Mary

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