

Office of the President

Date: May 19, 2020

Good Morning LACC Family:

Well, I missed another day of communication with you. I apologize for not communicating with you yesterday. The day started out crazy and never stopped! Only two more weeks of class until finals. I can tell it is the end of the semester because it is getting busier.

Important Message:

You can still participate in the virtual recognition ceremony. The deadline is tomorrow, Wednesday, May 20th to upload your picture to participate. You can follow this link for the information they need to participate: <https://www.lacitycollege.edu/Campus-Life/Office-of-Student-Life/documents/StudentVideoRecordingInstructions.pdf>

While this is an unusual certificate and degree completion ceremony, it will also be a one-of-a-kind ceremony. I recorded my speech yesterday that I believe the graduates will like. We have shout-outs from many of our famous alumni: Morgan Freeman, Cindy Williams, Laurence Fishburne, including a special tribute from Mark Hamill, Keynote Speeches from Congressman Adam Schiff, Mayor Eric Garcetti, City Controller Ron Galperin, and the shout-outs keep coming. If is not too late for you to do a 30-minute video as a shout out to our students. The deadline is tomorrow, Wednesday, May 20th to upload your message. Here is the link to the recording instructions: https://lacitycollege.edu/Campus-Life/Office-of-Student-Life/documents/Employee_Video_Recording_Instructions.pdf

The Black graduation ceremony will be virtual and it is being held today, Tuesday, May 19th at 3:00. Here is the link to watch it: <https://sites.google.com/view/laccdaaobgc/events/black-graduation-celebration/2020-virtual-celebration>

Great news! LA County has a new Locator website to find available wifi. It is at: www.findwifi.lacounty.gov. Any member of the public can dial 2-1-1 to ask for assistance to get information from this website, or can visit the site directly. The website features a search tool, based on the user's physical address, to connect them to various Internet related services, such as Internet access services for students, the location of free WiFi spots throughout the County (including free hotspots located in or nearby County libraries and County parks) and contact information for both residential and commercial broadband Internet providers and mobile (cellular) Internet providers serving the address. And low-cost internet is available from Human-IT. The internet service is \$14.99 per month or \$179.88 per year. For more information contact them at: <https://hitconnect.org/sales/buyInternet?product=7454>

Open enrollment for summer classes begins yesterday, May 18th. The summer schedule is at: <https://www.lacitycollege.edu/Academics/Classes/Class-Schedules/Summer>

Half of the Chromebooks were shipped to students last week and the other half of the Chromebooks just arrived at LACC yesterday afternoon. FINALLY! They will ship them out today and should reach students by Thursday. I am so sorry this has taken so long to get

completed. We are putting the pieces in place now for students who need devices for summer classes.

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>.

Also, it is not too late for you to petition for an EW (emergency withdrawal). The petition can be found at: <http://www.lacitycollege.edu/Admissions/Admissions-Records/General-Petition>.

Students can still request a Pass/No Pass; the petition can be found at:

<http://laccd.edu/Students/Pages/Student-Forms.aspx>.

And, finally, here is something fun for you to share with others.

“Mondays with Michelle Obama,” Story-Times with Penguin Random House and PBS KIDS Streaming on YouTube and Facebook, Mondays at Noon Eastern Time or 9:00 a.m. our time: <http://www.pbs.org/about/blogs/news/mondays-with-michelle-obama-story-times-with-penguin-random-house-and-pbs-kids-streaming-on-youtube-and-facebook-start-monday-april-20-12-noon-et/>

and

Goodnight with Dolly - IMAGINATION LIBRARY BEDTIME STORIES WITH DOLLY PARTON: <https://imaginationlibrary.com/goodnight-with-dolly/>

Thank you all for the help you have given our students, and each other, these past 10 weeks. You all met the challenge under the most difficult of circumstances.

BELIEVE ACHIEVE SUCCEED! Keep shining that light of hope!

Be well and be safe,

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