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### Campus Community,

Starting this weekend, I will attend the <u>Community College League of California Legislative</u> <u>Conference in Sacramento, CA</u>. I will join the Compton CCD Board of Trustees and our Student Trustee, Shoniqua Thomas, in legislative meetings. During these advocacy sessions, we will proudly highlight the incredible work happening at Compton College to support student success.

For more details on our advocacy efforts, please check out today's President/CEO Message.

Today's President/CEO Message includes Spring 2025 Peak Registration Hours, photos from the student housing groundbreaking ceremony, the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. celebration, and much more.

## **Spring 2025 Enrollment Update**

As of *yesterday*, *January 23*, *2025*, Compton College has generated 1,281 FTES for the Spring 2025 term. Our fill rate for Spring is currently 55%, and 9,005 seats are filled.

Please continue to share enrollment information with current and prospective students. If students need registration assistance, please refer them to the Welcome Center, located in the Student Services Building.

### Compton College Peak Registration – Spring Semester 2025

To assist students with the enrollment process and preparation for their classes, the Student Services Division and other student resources and services will extend their hours and days of operation during the weeks leading up to and into the spring semester. Below are the extended office hours for Peak Registration:

- *Saturday, February 8, 2025:* 8:00 a.m. Noon
- *Monday, February 10, 2025* Thursday, February 13: 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, February 14, 2025: 8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.
- Saturday, February 15, 2025: Saturday classes begin
- Campus closed on **Wednesday**, **February 12**, **2025** Lincoln's Holiday
- Campus closed on **Monday**, **February 17**, **2025** Washington's Holiday
- Tuesday, February 17, 2025 Weekday classes begin
- Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Thursday, February 20, 2025: 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
- *Friday, February 21, 2025*: 8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.
- *Monday, February 24, 2025:* Thursday, February 27: 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
- *Friday, February 28, 2025:* 8:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m.

## **Simple Syllabus**

At the <u>November 2, 2023, Academic Senate meeting</u>, the Senate recommended adopting <u>Simple Syllabus</u> as the syllabus provider for Compton College. Simple Syllabus is a template-driven platform that enables instructors to quickly create and publish course syllabi directly within Canvas LMS. Based

on the Academic Senate's recommendation, the College has engaged with Simple Syllabus to begin implementation and is excited to announce a Pilot Program for Simple Syllabus this Spring 2025.

If you are interested in participating in piloting Simple Syllabus with your Spring 2025 classes, please contact Dr. Bedan Kamau, Associate Dean of Distance Education and Instructional Technology, at bkamau@compton.edu.

# **Compton CCD Hosts Groundbreaking Ceremony for Student Housing Facility**

On *Friday, January 17, 2025*, the Compton Community College District (CCCD) celebrated a significant milestone with a well-attended groundbreaking ceremony for an all-new, 86,000-square-foot student housing facility. Many local elected officials attended the ceremony, including Assemblymember Mike A. Gipson, Los Angeles County Supervisor Holly Mitchell, Compton Mayor Emma Shariff, and representatives for Congresswoman Maxine Waters and California Senator Laura Richardson. They were all united in their support of this game-changing accomplishment benefitting Compton College students.

Compton College will be the first community college with student housing in Los Angeles County. This new facility will provide necessary accommodations for Compton College students, including those with dependents, offering them a place to call home while they pursue their educational goals. The construction project is targeted for completion in summer 2027.

Photos from the event are available online: Groundbreaking Ceremony Photos.

### **Compton Community College District Legislative Update**

We have new priorities and an updated Legislative Advocacy Handbook for 2025. Over the next couple of weeks, the Compton CCD Board of Trustees and I have various meetings scheduled with our state and federal elected officials. For your information, here are the following documents:

- 2025 Compton Community College District Legislative Priorities (State)
- Compton CCD Advocacy Handbook January 2025

We have separated our legislative priorities between state and federal representatives. Our state priorities are ready, as we have meetings at the Capitol next week. We will travel to Washington, D.C., in **February 2025**, where we will discuss our federal priorities.

We will keep the campus community updated on the outcomes of our meetings. Our top priority is to ensure funding to support student success and the implementation of Compton College's 2035 Comprehensive Master Plan. Over the years, we have excelled at developing relationships with our local and federal elected officials, and this year, we will continue to have conversations and explore all opportunities to submit policy requests and/or budget requests that support our students and the campus community.

## Compton Community College District 2025-2026 Budget Development

In the <u>President/CEO Message – January 17, 2025</u>, I shared information on Governor Gavin Newsom's Proposed California Budget for 2025-2026, which is available <u>here</u>. In addition, I shared with you the potential impact on California Community Colleges as outlined in the <u>Chancellor's Office Joint Analysis of the proposed budget</u>. We are currently updating the Compton Community Colleges District Five-Year Fiscal Management Plan, preparing the draft 2025-2026 Compton CCD Budget

Assumptions, and developing our 2025-2026 Budget Planning Timeline. These items will be shared at the next <u>Planning and Budget Committee</u> meeting.

For the 2025-2026 year, we are targeting **4,442** Full-Time Equivalent Students (FTES) and offering **1,476** sections. Over the next couple of weeks, we will discuss the FTES targets further with the <u>Core Planning Team</u> and <u>Planning and Budget</u> committees.

Please Remember to Sign Up to Receive Emergency Notifications via Cell Phone or Email Sign up to receive emergency notifications at Compton College Campus Police via Nixle, a free service that informs you of campus and community safety alerts. Through this system, you will receive alerts/notifications via cell phone, text message, and/or email. To register, go to <a href="https://www.compton.edu/campus-safety/nixle">www.compton.edu/campus-safety/nixle</a>.

### President/CEO Spring 2025 Reading List

I am currently preparing my spring 2025 reading list for release in the President/CEO Message – February 20, 2025. Please send your recommendations to <a href="mailto:kcurry@compton.edu">kcurry@compton.edu</a> by *Tuesday, February 18, 2025*.

# **Final Thoughts**

The past few weeks have been busy with in-person and Zoom meetings, leaving me less time to walk the campus and interact with the community. As we navigate a busy winter with both in-person and online classes and plan for the spring 2025 semester, I want to thank everyone for their support and dedication to our student's success at Compton College.

Once again, I would like to thank everyone who helped plan the 3rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast Celebration on campus. The <u>photos from the event are now available online</u>.

*Today, January 24, 2025*, is Kamilo Ali Curry's 15th birthday. It's hard to believe that in just one year, he may be driving, and in three years, he'll be graduating high school. Kamilo began his educational journey at the <u>Dr. Abel B. Sykes Child Development Center</u>.

Please enjoy your weekend with family and friends.

Sincerely,

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President/CEO
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