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Dear Harold Washington College Community,

As the Summer Term comes to an end, I want to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication over the past few months. Amid an unprecedented pandemic, we made countless adjustments and sacrifices to our daily work and learning environments. I wish I could say that things are back to normal, but they are not. However, I do believe we are stronger and more prepared for the future.

At this time, the College is focused on enrollment. Fall registration ends August 20, and our mission is to serve and empower students. Most courses will take place remotely and online in the fall, but there will also be limited in-person courses as well. Please see the latest list of fall courses by modality, [here](#). We certainly have a lot to offer, and I hope all of you will join me in encouraging students, new and continuing, to enroll before the deadline.

There is one more office hour session with me for the summer – next Wednesday, July 29, from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. We will resume weekly office hours in the Fall Term.

Here are the College Updates for this week:

- Congrats to the [2020 Luminary Award](#) recipients who were nominated by members of their college communities for demonstrating outstanding daily contributions.

Student recipient: Andre Schroth Baptista

Faculty recipient: Erica McCormack

- Fresh Start, a debt forgiveness program, launched last week for over 21,000 City Colleges students who attended in the last ten years, are in good standing, but have debt that prevents them from completing their degree or certificate. This program waives prior debt upon the completion of academic milestones and allows students to restart their education! Visit [www.ccc.edu/freshstart](http://www.ccc.edu/freshstart) to learn more.
- The latest HWC Reopening Plan can be found [here](#). As we continue to monitor the situation, some elements of the plan may change and/or be altered. If any additions need to be added to the plan, please do not hesitate to email me at [hwcpresident@ccc.edu](mailto:hwcpresident@ccc.edu).
- The College will reopen its doors on August 3 although, most of our operations will continue remotely. I want to reassure you that keeping our college community safe, secure, and healthy is a top priority.
- Please welcome, Jeffrey Wonders, HWC's Interim Registrar. Students can email [hwc-registrar@ccc.edu](mailto:hwc-registrar@ccc.edu) for any degree verification requests, transcripts, or record inquiries, etc.
- All services for students will be available virtually from home and on campus by connecting

with staff via Zoom. Please note, only the Library and the Business Office will be accessible for in-person support. See below:

	Dates	Virtual College Hours	On-Campus Hours (Effective August 3, 2020)
Open Registration	Monday, July 27 - Saturday, August 8	Monday – Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday: Closed
	Monday, August 10 – Saturday, August 22  *anticipate long wait times during this period.	Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday: Closed
Fall Semester Schedule (16-Week Term)	Monday, August 24 – Saturday, December 12	Monday – Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Monday – Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Saturday: Offices Closed, Open for classes

\*Hours are subject to change.