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Dear Harold Washington College Community,

I want to welcome our new students and faculty who started the 12-week term with us this week. We are excited that you are here. Nearly 3,500 students enrolled in 12-week courses. Moreover, more than 200 course sections were available for the mini-term this year – an 18% increase from last year!

I continue to be inspired by our dedicated faculty, staff, and administration. Our faculty and staff are committed to ensuring that our students reach their educational goals. We must remain supportive of one another during these trying times, as we progress through the semester.

As always, I have office hours via [Zoom](#) every Wednesday, from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm. Please feel free to connect with me.

Here are the College Updates for this week:

- General HWC Announcements are updated weekly and can be found [here](#).
- Election Day, November 3, was recently declared a state holiday. City Colleges has also decided to make this a paid holiday for City Colleges faculty and staff for FY21. No classes will take place and virtual student services will not be available that day. However, please note that HWC is a voting site. The building will remain open and essential employees should plan to be at their respective locations.
- Credit students: take hold of your college experience with Navigate, an upgrade to GradesFirst. With Navigate, each student gets a personalized Care Team consisting of an advisor, faculty, and staff from the Transfer Center, Financial Aid Office, Career Services, and Student Activities. Your Care Team is ready to help you along every step of your college journey. Learn more at [www.ccc.edu/Navigate](http://www.ccc.edu/Navigate).

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