



## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

*Daniel López, Jr., Ph.D.*

Dear Harold Washington College Community,

This week HWC students, Provost Mark Potter and I had the pleasure of meeting with the U.S. Secretary of Education Dr. Miguel Cardona at the Chicago Art Institute as part of his visit to Chicago. The purpose of his visit was to meet with students to learn how museums like the Art Institute support and motivate students at City Colleges. The students and Dr. Cardona were given a private tour by institute leaders and art experts. The students also had the opportunity to present their artwork, which highlighted their personal stories of perseverance and determination. I am grateful to once again see our students' talent and motivation to succeed.

This week I also had the privilege to attend the Loop Players "Exit Strategy" production. This was my first time attending a live performance of this 48-year-old theater company, and it will not be my last. We also hosted our first in-person Open House with over 150 RSVPs. Thank you, Deans Esperanza and McGlynn for organizing this successful event, and all of you for your support and participation. As always, I am open to talking about your ideas. Feel free to join me during my office hours on Wednesdays from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm for faculty, staff, and students via Zoom and Thursdays from 5 pm – 6 pm for HWC students via Zoom.

Have a great weekend!

### **Here are the College Updates for this week:**

- **Credit Enrollment Update (updated March 25th)**
  - Spring 2022 – 16, 12, and 8-week sessions - Headcount: 5,275; Credit Hour: 50,948\*
  - Registration for Summer and Fall 2022 classes open on April 4 for priority and April 6 for open. To learn more about our registration process, click here.
    - \*Counting credit hours for all CCC students registered for courses held at HWC
- **Credit Retention Update**
  - Our Fall '21-to-Spring '22 retention percentage is 72%.
- **More N95 Masks!**
  - All in-person employees can now receive a total of 16 N95 masks (An initial allocation of 10 masks *plus an added 6 masks*). You can obtain your masks by visiting the Security Office (Room 206). As always, disposable surgical masks will remain available at the lobby security desk.
- **Org Chart**
  - Recent updates have been made to the Org Chart.
- **Library Newsletter (March)**

- The HWC Library is updating its [Faculty Publications LibGuide](#). To send publication information, please fill out [this form](#).
- **Employee Directory**
  - Spring 2022 updates have been made to the [Employee Directory](#).
- **Faculty and Staff Accomplishments**
  - We are excited to [share](#) recent accomplishments from our faculty, staff members, and students.
    - Please send accomplishments to Maggie West, Community Relations Strategist at [mwest28@ccc.edu](mailto:mwest28@ccc.edu).
- **Harold Washington College earned Top Ten rank for the [2022-2023 Military Friendly Schools Designation](#)!** Thank you to Marcus Williams, Veteran Services Specialist for your work and effort in aiding our veteran community.
- **Building Façade Update**
  - The work was delayed due to the weather this week. Work continues. Please bear with us during the façade work that should be completed this summer.

#### **Highlighted Upcoming Events:**

- The World Languages & English Language Learning Department is the proud sponsor of our 2022 Film Festival. For more information on the 5-movie feature festival, please see the [flyer](#).
- Live theater is back at HWC (Harold Washington College)! The Loop Players' production of [Exit Strategy](#) has two showtimes left: 2pm (March 26) and 7 pm (March 25). Discounted student ticket prices are available. Mark your calendars!
- The Disability Pride Community Resource Fair will be held in Room 1115 on Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> from 9am – 12pm.
- **For a complete list of announcements please visit [HWC Announcements page](#). The [HWC Events Calendar](#) lists all upcoming events for students, faculty, staff, and the public.**

#### **Full-Time Permanent Personnel Updates and Searches (updated March 24th):**

- **Director, First Year Experience:** Finalist sent for April Board.
- **College Advisor:** Scheduled to begin on April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- **Director, Auxiliary Services:** Finalist sent for April Board.
- **Director, Continuing Education:** Position posted.
- **Clerical Assistant II, Admissions:** Scheduled to begin March 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **Assistant Dean, Early College:** Position posted.
- **Assistant Director, Research and Planning:** Position reposted.
- **Janitor:** Position posted.
- **Janitor Group Lead:** Position posted.
- **Faculty, Software Development:** Position posted.
- **Human Resources Specialist:** Finalist sent for April Board.
- **Clinical Counselor, Wellness Center (2):** Positions posted.
- **Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs:** Position posted.
- **College Financial Aid Advisor:** Position Posted
- **College Financial Aid Advisor II:** Finalist sent for April Board.
- **Clerical Assistant II, Admissions:** Interviews in progress

- **College Advisor:** Position posted.
- **Testing Specialist:** Position Posted
- **Assistant Director of Wellness:** Finalist sent for April Board.