

# OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Harold Washington College Community,

This week our college was buzzing with events celebrating the start of the semester. I was pleased to see SGA host their Spring 2023 Welcome Week. Their Phoenix Luncheon was a big hit and brought students together to learn about engagement opportunities and resources at HWC. A special thank you to Director Aja Humphreys, Associate Dean Joe Hinton, and Building Coordinator Scott Guessford for their assistance and continued dedication to our students.

This week we also celebrated the opening of the STEM Hub, a space dedicated to students in STEM and other disciplines. Students can utilize the lab's technological spaces, study, attend workshops/events, or simply hang out. The STEM Hub is located on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor if you would like to visit or bring your classes. Thank you to Director Brittany Boyd, Professor LaNisha Thomas, and Vice President Theresa Carlton for creating this space to serve our students.

As a reminder, we will continue this semester with Phoenix Friday! You are encouraged to wear your Phoenix wear. If you have not picked up your college apparel, please visit my office for assistance.

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 or in person.

Have a great weekend!

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

- **Credit Enrollment Update (January 27, 2023)**
  - Registration continues tomorrow from 9am-1pm for in person and virtual.

<b>Spring 2023 Enrollment Data:</b>			<b>YOY</b>
Total Headcount to date		5,151	18%
Total Credit Hours taken by CCC students at HW		50,114	10%
Spring 2023 Applicants to Enrollments		2,690	994

Application Conversion Yield Rate:			37.0%
	<b>Spring Enrollment Goal</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>% Towards Goal</b>
New enrollment	881	994	113%
Retention	4,367	4,157	95%
Total Enrollment	5,248	5,151	98%

- Registration for Spring 2023 classes started this week. To learn more about our registration process, click [here](#).

- **At Home Testing Kits**

- At-home iHealth over the counter COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Tests is available for free, for your personal use, while supplies last. You can obtain your tests by visiting the Security Office (Room 206). Safety and security will pass out tests to faculty and staff in the coming weeks. Students can obtain their tests from student services.

- **Library Announcements**

- January 2023 Library Newsletter is [now available](#).

- **Zoom Stations**

- To assist faculty and students with hybrid schedules we have designated zoom stations throughout the campus. Faculty will be able to submit a request through our classroom scheduling platform, [Astra Scheduling](#). Faculty can also request a laptop to teach their remote classes through our One-Day Laptop Check-out program by emailing Brandon Hopkins at [bhopkins19@ccc.edu](mailto:bhopkins19@ccc.edu).

- **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).

- **Building Façade Update**

- Signage for the front of the building is delayed due to re-design issues. However, the final product was approved today, so fabrication and installation are coming soon. Please be advised that on installation day we will direct egress traffic to the Wabash door (more to come soon). The remaining building signage for the upper Lake Street side as well as the Wabash Street side is expected in February.

### **Featured Upcoming Events:**

- **Supporting Immigrant Survivors of Gender-Based Violence** - Professional development opportunity presented by Life Span | Project S.A.F.E. | CCC Undocumented Student Services

- On Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 11 am – 12:30 pm, all faculty and staff are welcome to join this training and learn about the unique challenges facing immigrant communities that create vulnerabilities to violence and barriers, how to support types of immigration relief that exist for survivors, rights and protections for undocumented and immigrant students, as well as systems of support at CCC and in Chicago.

*Please feel free to forward and share with your networks.*

- Join virtually at <https://cccedu.zoom.us/j/4114456964> - Meeting ID: 411 445 6964. For more information or questions, please contact Luvia Moreno, Associate

Dean of Student Services and Undocumented Student Services Coordinator at [Imoreno113@ccc.edu](mailto:Imoreno113@ccc.edu).

- We are excited to share college events and programs. Please send **detailed** event programming to HWC Events and Programming, [hwc-events@ccc.edu](mailto:hwc-events@ccc.edu). Kindly allow **ample time** for promotion.
- **For a complete list of announcements please visit the [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 (January 27, 2023)**

- **Assistant Business Manager** - Interviews in progress.
- **Associate Dean of Student Services and Undocumented Student Liaison-** Candidate starts 2/21/23.
- **Business Advisor-** Candidate starts 1/30/23.
- **College Administrative Assistant I- Vice President-** Candidate starts 1/30/2023.
- **College Recruiter-** Position posted.
- **Dean- Enrollment-** Interviews in progress.
- **Dean-COEB-** Candidate starts 1/30/23.
- **Director of Strategic Initiatives-** Position posted.
- **Faculty- Tenure Track- Geology-** Position posted.
- **Janitor-** Interviews in progress.
- **Janitor- Projects-** Interviews in progress.
- **Media Specialist-** Position posted.
- **Testing Specialist-** Interviews in progress.
- **Workforce Success Coach - Child Development-** Position posted.