



APRIL 8, 2019

## GOOD MONDAY MORNING TO YOU

Welcome back from Spring Break, and I hope the time off was both fruitful and relaxing, and you are ready to get back at it. As we move through the semester, please let us know how we can help you. We have an array of student services that could be beneficial to you, so please ask.

### Transfer Week

We know there are many of you looking to transfer from Trade Tech to a four-year university. This week our Transfer Center is holding several events to make that transfer much easier. The week will culminate on Thursday from 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. with Transfer Day when dozens of university representatives will be in the North Quad near Mariposa Hall, with information about transferring.

- Monday, April 8:** Rep your Transfer or Dream School!
- Tuesday, April 9:** Join Transfer Club (Mariposa Hall, 12:00–2:00 p.m.)
- Wednesday, April 10:** Transfer Panel (TE 101, 12:00–2:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, April 11:** College Fair (North Quad, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.)
- Friday, April 12:** Game Day (TE 107 1:00–5:00 p.m.)

For more questions, contact the University Transfer Center: ST 203, 213.276.7154



#### District E-mail System: Office 365

We are migrating all student and employee email throughout the district, to a cloud-based system. The district project is designed to improve cyber security and centralize some of the issues facing all of the colleges. All students will need to create a new Office 365 login. If you already done this, and have accessed the new mail platform, that's great. For instructions, see [this link](#).

#### ASO Leadership in Sacramento

Congratulations to our ASO board and leadership along with counselor Deborah Campbell as they attended the General Assembly in Sacramento this past week. This is a statewide gathering of student leaders from all 114 community colleges in California. The gathering helps develop advocacy strategy supporting student positions and they create resolutions that are sent to state lawmakers. It was great to see our LATTTC contingent playing an active role.

#### Upcoming Student Election to Include Vote on Monthly U-Pass for \$13 Per Semester, Instead of \$165 Per Semester

When ASO elections for new officers take place on April 23, there will also be a vote about a Metro U-Pass for LATTTC students at a dramatically reduced rate. This will be a vote of all LATTTC students in our credit classes on the creation of a student fee to support student transportation needs. LA Metro has agreed to a pilot with at least one LACCD college to provide U-Passes to all credit students wanting to use rail and bus lines, from Metro and six partnering agencies. A majority vote in support of this referendum would:

- Add a student fee for all credit students of \$13 per primary semester which is \$3.25 per month (for Fall/Spring) and \$8 per intersession (Winter/Summer) for a period of three years. The current rate for individual purchase of the U-Pass at LATTTC is \$165 per primary semester.
- Allow LATTTC to partner with LA Metro on a three-year pilot to provide the Metro U-Pass at no cost for all credit students wishing to use transportation.
- The transit fee and transit U-Pass will start in January 2020 at the earliest, but only if it is passed by a majority of the student voters and the college is also selected for the pilot program by LA Metro.
- The U-Pass includes the following partnering agencies: LA Metro, Culver CityBus, Gardena Transit (GTrans), LADOT Local and DASH, Long Beach Transit, Montebello Bus, Norwalk Transit, Pasadena Transit, Santa Monica Big Blue Bus, Torrance Transit

There will be additional communications on this question over the next two weeks. Keep your eyes open for it.

#### LATTTC Welding Instructor Featured on PBS

LATTTC welding instructor Lisa Legohn was the initial interview in a new PBS show called Road Trip Nation. She dropped some real knowledge on the hosts who came and filmed the interview right on campus. Click the [link](#) and check out the show.



#### Security Officer Burkhardt Memorial

Lots of folks from the campus and the Sheriff's Office joined in a memorial for Security Officer Lars Burkhardt last Thursday in Aspen Hall, Room 101. He died recently at the age of thirty after a courageous battle with cancer. From 2016-19 he was truly a great employee and ambassador for the campus. Several of his family members were in attendance, and they were appreciative of the many memories and stories about Lars. Our thoughts are with the family. Many of us will remember his many acts of kindness for students and employees here at LATTTC.



#### METRO Purple Line Railcar Assembly Plant Coming to L.A.

I spent last Monday and Tuesday in Springfield, Massachusetts where CRRC has built a huge assembly plant for the railcars that will be coming back to L.A. as our Metro Purple Line cars. The propulsion system, HVAC and lighting systems are going to be assembled in L.A. starting this winter and shipped to Springfield, to be added on there, and the completed car will then be sent back here. LATTTC is the training partner with CRRC and we are working on getting some of the jobs for our students.

I am ready for the next couple of months of great events and we are working on how the college can best support your work inside and outside the classroom. With all it takes to balance school, work and family, we appreciate all that you do here at LATTTC, and we are working to make it better.

To your success, and the success of this college.

Larry Frank

President, L. A. Trade-Technical College