



MAY 6, 2019

GOOD MONDAY MORNING TO YOU

I will be out of town this week but wanted to get this out before I leave. We are just one month away from graduation, the happiest day of the year at LATTTC. I want to mention a few things that need your attention, then provide some updates.



Graduation: Tuesday, June 4, USC Galen Center

We are excited to invite all those eligible for Associate Degrees, certificates or transferring, to come to graduation and walk. This year's commencement ceremony will take place on Tuesday, June 4, at 6:00 p.m. at USC's Galen Center and will be a lot of fun. Since it is off-campus, the rules surrounding the event will be slightly different. Please click on the link below to get the latest information. We are thrilled to celebrate all of your hard work and accomplishments, so we are looking forward to an incredible ceremony. Make sure you join us if you are eligible.

[Graduation Ceremony Information](#)

SUMMER AND FALL ENROLLMENT

It is time to start enroll in both summer and Fall classes. Click the links below and begin selecting your classes. If you have any questions, stop by and visit your pathway counselor or a general counselor to make sure you are on track with your educational plan. We want you to be successful.

[[Summer Classes](#)] [[Fall Classes](#)]

Building Name and Room Changes

If you look at the Fall schedule of classes, you will immediately see that we are changing the building names on campus. We are going to a geographic grid for alpha-numeric designations for the rooms, and we are renaming the buildings based on the programs presented inside and providing all new signage. This is a part of our on-going Guided Pathways commitment to make the campus more accessible to you. Spend some time looking at the campus grid, to understand the numbered locations. We will be taking down the tree names this summer (like Cedar Hall and Aspen Hall), so it will be easier to remember the new names and identifiers.



Please review [this map](#) until you understand the new organization of our campus for this Fall, and cross-check it against the classroom locations that you selected for the Fall. We are preparing building banner signs facing to the interior of campus and we are planning outward facing signs, being prepared by our talented sign graphics students. We will be changing all the room signs for every classroom on campus reflecting the new grid letter-number. We will be conducting an extensive campaign to get all students and staff prepared for the changes.

New U-Pass

I want to congratulate all of you who voted in the referendum to support campus-wide inclusion in a pilot program for a U-Pass that now includes ALL students covering six transit systems, to be paid by all students at \$3.25 per month for each semester. LATTTC students voted in favor at over 90%, higher than every other campus, although the vote was 80% District-wide. Now it will be up to METRO to decide which campus or campuses have the opportunity to be in the pilot which will start in 2020. Stay tuned.



Culinary Symposium

Congratulations to our students from the Culinary Arts Pathway who participated at the Annual California Community College Culinary Symposium, Competition and Job Fair. Students competed and won in three events against other California college culinary schools:

Hot Food Poultry Competition

1st Place: Mireya Landa

Cake Competition

1st Place: Kenekukwu Azubuogu

Tablescaping

2nd Place: Pamela Houston

Skills USA

Our Skills USA competitors from LATTTC were awesome this year as they battled in the state championships in Ontario. Your classmates captured gold, silver and bronze in a great performance.

- **Commercial Baking**
Gold Medal: Lucero Gastelum
Silver Medal: Tomoe Beckstead
- **Culinary Arts**
Gold Medal: Melissa Cortez
Silver Medal: Bryan Ochir Jamsran
- **Plumbing**
Gold Medal: Shane Mandich
Silver Medal: Matthew Morfin
Bronze Medal: Danny Caballero
- **TeamWorks: Gold Medal**
Katrina Vinson (carpentry)
Keith Johnson (carpentry)
Claudio Flor (electrical)
Joey Cedillos (plumbing)



ICC of Service

I have to give a lot of credit to the Inter-Club Council for putting together a community effort last week for our campus and community. The ICC handed out two tables of clothes and hygiene items and served food to several dozen folks. It made a difference.



A. Phillip Randolph Scholarship Dinner

Another scholarship dinner took place this past Thursday evening, celebrating the work of the historic labor leader A. Phillip Randolph. APRI continues to do work in our community and on campus in registering, educating and mobilizing people to vote on key issues on the ballot. One of our great campus friends, Rusty Hicks, the President of the LA County Federation of Labor was in attendance to inspire students and to help raise money for student scholarships. A special thanks to the faculty and staff who work hard on this dinner.



Performing Arts Club Partners with L.A. Mission

Also on Thursday Evening, our Performing Arts Club provided inspired readings in the South Tent developed by homeless individuals and writers connected to the L.A. Mission. A big shout out to Mitchell Horn and Jearold Mock, who are the faculty advisors that put so much into this amazing work.



Shakespeare On The Green

Don't ever let anyone say that Trade Tech doesn't have its expressions of art. Another one of the great events is put on by the English Department's "Shakespeare on the Green." This year the audience got to enjoy "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with some great student actors and a twist on Shakespeare's play. The audience loved it and I want to congratulate everyone who participated.

This Week

It's another busy week and I hope you can join several events that may interest you as the semester culminates.

This **Tuesday** is the annual Deans' Awards which honors many of you who have sustained high GPAs in class. This event honors your accomplishments, including those of you on the president's list and dean's list. It starts at 3:00 p.m. in the South Tent.

This **Wednesday** we will be holding the Scholarship Celebration at 3:00 p.m. in the South Tent and giving out dozens of scholarships to students. If you were fortunate enough to be given a scholarship, please join us for this celebration and also thank our Foundation for the work done on behalf of students.

Then this **Saturday**, if you have some time, come on out and check out the Business and Civic Engagement Pathway's Shark Tank event, in partnership with Omni-Works, Union Bank and a number of our local high schools. Dozens of high school students and a number of our college students will compete for scholarships to support some of their entrepreneurial ideas. Please come by and prepare to be amazed by what you hear.

While I am away this week, Dr. Henan Joof will be the acting president. I hope it is a great week for all.

Larry Frank

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