

Special Edition: Coronavirus Communication 27

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Good Evening:

Today was the first day of summer registration. I am told that the numbers of students registering were phenomenal! It is critically important that we keep the momentum going and keep our enrollment up. Last week, I shared a list of things you could do to support the effort. Regina Broomfield, Director of Admissions, was thrilled to have some of you volunteer. She is always in need of more people to support the efforts. Please contact her at regina.broomfield@mcc.edu or 810-762-0358. Below is a repeat of things we can do to keep our enrollment numbers climbing.

- Talk to former students about coming back to MCC to finish their education. There is no time like the present to sign up for one or more of MCC's online offerings.
- Encourage your family and friends who are interested in pursuing higher education that the time is right to take that next step at one of the TOP COMMUNITY COLLEGES in the United States!
- If you know of a college student who normally attends another school (MSU, SVSU, Central, Eastern, UM-Ann Arbor, and others), please let them know to make summer count by joining us as a Guest Student.
- Deliver virtual MCC presentations to community groups.
- Make phone calls to prospective students who have shown interest in attending.

I have appointed the CARES Act: Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Plan Development Team to quickly design the MCC system and processes for allocating and distributing student emergency fund grants. The Team will have a quick turn around for providing recommendations so that we can begin to communicate the process to students before the conclusion of the semester. Team members are:

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This afternoon I met with the Michigan Community College Association Presidents for our weekly meeting during the pandemic. The group covered a myriad of topics affecting the state that include construction contracts, reopening the state after the pandemic subsidies, obtaining relief from legislation that requires dual enrollment students to have qualifying SAT scores to take college credit, and best practices for developing CARES Act funding disbursement systems and processes.

Suggestions:

Providing and communicating to students and employees first and second half summer course offerings along with the dates to meet student need.

There is not enough PPE for healthcare workers to change between working with patients/clients. Donating easily sanitized clothing items and large disposable garbage bags to healthcare workers that can cover their garments.

Today has been a heavy day for me. Someone sent a text to check on me and I shared that it is a hard day because so many of you have been affected by COVID-19 and other illnesses. Every time someone shares the pain that some of you are experiencing, from the uncertainty of an illness to a death, it saddens me. Please know that I care and I am thinking of each one of you. You are in my prayers.

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