



DARE TO DO MORE

Dear LaGuardia faculty and staff,

May is winding down, as is Spring Session I, and there are several updates and upcoming events I want to share with you.

Interim Executive Director of Human Resources

Vice President for Administration Shahir Erfan recently issued a message announcing the appointment of Marta Clark as our Interim Executive Director of Human Resources. Monday was her first day at LaGuardia, and I want to extend a warm welcome to Marta as she takes on this key role. Marta can be reached at marclark@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Interim Chief Diversity Officer and Title IX Coordinator

I also want to welcome and thank Sabine Rospide, who recently joined LaGuardia in the Office of Legal Affairs and Labor Relations, for serving as the Interim Chief Diversity Officer and Title IX Coordinator. Sabine will be dedicated to handling Title IX matters on a part-time basis (Mondays and Tuesdays) while a search is conducted for a full-time staff member. Please reach Sabine at TitleIX@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Extended Funding for Mental Health Counselors

I am pleased to share that federal Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) Minority-Serving Institution (MSI) dollars have been allocated to maintain the seven mental health counselors hired for our Wellness Center during the pandemic. This funding ensures additional support will be available for our students.

Student Boosters

While CUNY policy requires that students taking in-person or hybrid courses be fully vaccinated and have received boosters when eligible, it should be noted that, per a directive from the Central Office, students whose booster verification is incomplete will not be de-registered or de-enrolled from Spring II classes taking place on campus.

Mask Wearing Indoors

As you recall, [LaGuardia recommends mask-wearing](#). This week Chancellor Matos Rodríguez [issued a letter](#) urging the CUNY community to wear masks indoors as [New York City's Covid-19 Alert Level is High](#). If you need a mask, you can obtain one at the Public Safety posts of our building entrances.

Upcoming Events

- I will be co-hosting a Zoom session with Executive Vice Chancellor Hector Batista as part of [CUNY's Strategic Roadmap](#). The session, titled **Exploring the Future of Finance and Infrastructure at CUNY**, will be held Thursday, June 2 at 11 a.m. Those interested in attending can [register here](#).



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- Queens Borough President Donovan Richards will hold the **State of the Borough** on Friday, June, 3 at 9:30 a.m. at LaGuardia's Mainstage Theater. A limited number of seats are available and [pre-registration](#) is required.
- **Spring Closing Sessions** will be Wednesday, June 8 at 12 p.m.; seating will be available in the Little Theater, and a livestream will be available on LaGuardia's YouTube. Please stay tuned for ticket information.
- **Commencement** will be Tuesday, June, 21 at 9:30 a.m. on the Quad at Queens College. Information for faculty and staff is found [here](#), and you can [register to attend](#) online.

Best Wishes,

Kenneth Adams
President