



Los Angeles Community College District CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees Meeting
February 3, 2021

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OVERVIEW

- COVID-19 District Response Update
- Legislative Agenda Announced
- Foundation Report
- Campus Safety Update
- African American/Black History Month Events



COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE

- L.A. County Department of Public Health focus is now on vaccinations – Phase 1A currently able to reserve appointments for healthcare and 65 and older, but demand exceeding supply
- For Phase 1B, including the Education category, appointments could begin in mid- to late-February
- LACCD Educational services remain status quo with remote learning platforms and some limited, in-person instruction for essential workforce classes. Spring 2021 Semester begins Monday, February 8, 2021!
- The District's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the colleges' Incident Command Centers remain activated



COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE, continued



- New recovery [“Re-engagement Grid”](#) document for the District and colleges developed & online
- EOC reviewing all 21 [Safety Advisories](#) issued since pandemic declared in March 2020 to update & revise
- Promotion of SAFE app for the colleges continues
- CCCCO just released support for additional PPE supplies

Stay Safe. Download Your College's *SAFE* App.

The Los Angeles Community College District has added COVID-19 Resources to your college's SAFE App.

Logos for LACC, East Los Angeles College, LAHC, and Los Angeles Pierce College are shown with "SAFE" labels.

Logos for LAS, LATTC, LA VC, and West LA College are shown with "SAFE" labels.

NEW FEATURES INCLUDE:
COVID-19 Self-Assessment • Self-Assessment Entry Badge • COVID Updates

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LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

- LACCD pursuing an ambitious state legislative and budgetary agenda in 2021 –announced in news release February 1
- Six legislative policy priorities and seven budget priorities, including:
 - housing insecurity and homelessness
 - funding for Ethnic Studies programs
 - four years of tuition-free education at CSU campuses
 - broadband access
 - textbook cost reduction
 - Umoja funding



FOUNDATION UPDATE



The Foundation for the Los Angeles Community Colleges (FLACC) gives record amount of assistance to students.

In only the last three months:

- 2,700 Grocery Cards were mailed to students
- Collaborating with Imperfect Foods Inc., the Foundation delivered:
 - 970 Boxes of Food and Groceries to students in December
 - 2,442 Boxes of Food and Groceries to students in January

FOUNDATION UPDATE (continued)



In the last three months, the FLACC disbursed:

- 201 Vicky Chang NCLEX awards to Nursing Students
- 105 Ann and Robert Ronus Nursing Persistence Grants
- 13 scholarships to respiratory therapy students
- 123 Emergency Grants
- 183 LA College Promise Grants

And --

- processed and evaluated 11,000+ applications for assistance
- \$1 Million grant from the California Community Foundation and generated \$410,000 in contributions

CAMPUS SAFETY UPDATE



- Moving forward with a comprehensive and inclusive assessment of campus safety and security needs for the District
- Goal = assessment completed during the next four to five months
- Assessment serves as foundation for a campus safety and security services RFP
- Goal = new multi-year districtwide provider Board approved and in service by January 1, 2022
- More details about the assessment will be announced later this month.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



- Black Faculty and Staff Association
- All Nine Colleges Participating
- Full events listed in Chancellor's Monthly for February



The Los Angeles Community College District Black Faculty & Staff Association

CELEBRATES THE 95TH BLACK HISTORY MONTH THEME OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE & HISTORY

VIRTUAL FESTIVAL

2021 BLACK HISTORY MONTH THEME

The Black Family: Representation, Identity, and Diversity

Monday, February 1-28, 2021

West LA College Black History Month Digital Display of African American Authors, Leaders, Activists, and More ([WLAC Padlet](#))

Thursday, February 4, 2021 • 6:00 PM

Roundtable Discussion, "The Black Family: Representation, Identity, and Diversity" Moderated by Marc Brown, Co-Author, ABC7 Eyewitness News (Our Authors Study Club, OASC | [BFSA](#))

Friday, February 5, 2021 • 10:00 AM

City of LA Virtual Opening Ceremony Honoring Living Legends: Recording Artists, The Manhattans; Honorable Maxine Waters, US Representative for California's 43rd Congressional District; Kizzmekia Corbett, Viral Immunologist Center; and Benjamin Crump, Esq., Law, "Black America's Attorney General" (OASC | [BFSA](#))

Sunday, February 7, 2021 • 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Panel Discussion, "How African American Families Have Been Portrayed in the Media" ([ASALH](#))

Wednesday, February 10-20, 2021

All Dolled Up: 40-Years honoring the diversity and uniqueness of the Black family through an exhibit of historic, artistic, and commercial black dolls. ([William Grant Still Arts Center](#))

Friday, February 19, 2021 • 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

We are Family: Using the power of DNA to Trace our African Ancestry | District employees are invited to join students in tracing their ancestry. In a couple of months, we will come back together virtually and share our results. ([BFSA](#))

Saturday, February 20, 2021 • 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Finding Our Roots in African American History: A Conversation with Henry Louis Gates and Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham ([Ticketed Event: ASALH](#))



Friday, February 26, 2021 • 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Taking Care of our LACCD Family: Black students are the minority in LACCD enrollment, but the majority experiencing homelessness | Trustee Gabriel Buena and colleagues will share plans to hear student voices. ([BFSA](#))

Friday, February 26, 2021 • 4:00 PM

Family Reading Time: Diversity, Inclusion and Equity in Children's Picture Books | Hear from a panel of experts— ([BFSA](#))

Sunday, February 28, 2021 • 2:00 PM-3:00 PM

Black Family in Film & TV Trivia | Join the BFSA in a Sunday fun day of trivia and scavenger hunting all around the topic of Black families in film and television. Start preparing now! ([BFSA](#))

From the Continent to the Americas: Foodways, Culture and Traditions in the African American Family



Thursday, February 25, 2021, 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Viewing of the 20-minute documentary, "God Bless the Cook," featuring Cordon Bleu-trained chef and LA Trade-Tech College professor, Roslyn Spence— In the video, Chef Spence introduces her greatest mentor and challenge: her mother. At 94 years old (now 96), Edith Bell is still cooking, dancing, and sharing stories of when she cooked for Hollywood's biggest stars. With two chefs in the kitchen, loving sparks fly between their big personalities and different life experiences.

Afterwards, join Chef Spence as she leads guests through a cooking demonstration of a healthy and clean twist on collard greens and black eyed peas. Watch or cook along she marries together Hop-pin' John and stuffed collard greens and transforms these African American traditional foods into a southern comfort casserole dish. Participants will have a chance to show and celebrate their kitchens spaces, and cooking processes and products. Visit [laccdbfsa.com](#) for a simple ingredients list, preparation instructions, and more information.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



- L.A. Harbor College Chorale Special Musical Performance for Black National Anthem –watch on YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CN1yfEhkFgU>



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Additional Event: Black College Expo

<https://www.thecollegeexpo.org/events/black-college-expo-california-westcoast>



BLACK COLLEGE EXPO
Chicago • Los Angeles • Oakland • San Diego • Dallas • DC/Maryland • Atlanta • Houston • Seattle • New York • Sacramento

Coming virtual to California

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 19 - 3-7pm (pst)

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 20 - 12-3pm (pst)

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The poster features a stylized map of California in the background, with a silhouette of a person's head and shoulders in the foreground. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical manner, with the event name and dates being the most prominent elements. The bottom section is filled with various sponsor logos.