Office of the Chancellor

It is no secret that the College has had financial challenges over the last six years. Every year the College has submitted its financials for an independent audit and every year those results have highlighted our structural budget issues. Based on information, which we have to provide to the ACCJC annually, the Commission has decided to place the College on what is known as "enhanced monitoring." Enhanced Monitoring is not a sanction. The College is now obligated to provide additional information to the ACCJC by December 4, 2020, indicating how it intends to improve its financial condition.

The District is confident it can address the financial issues outlined in this letter. The College has developed a variety of budget scenarios that are being reviewed through an internal governance process before the Board reviews them at a special Board of Trustees meeting on October 8. A final budget and five-year budget plan will be approved at the October 22 Board of Trustees meeting.

In the meantime, I want to reassure our students, faculty and employees that our academic programs are as solid as ever with our dedicated faculty and staff having the best interests of our students at heart. We will continue to stay focused on our mission to educate students and ask that you do the same. I will continue to hold my open forums and provide information when it becomes available.

There are some difficult decisions before us and this letter is a reminder of what is truly at stake. I am confident that working together we will get through this.

Yours sincerely,

Interim Chancellor