



September 18, 2023

As we step into the fourth week of classes, I hope everyone is settling into productive routines. Sometimes success takes a community that can provide guidance and support. Faculty and staff are eager to help, so please reach out.

Students: Free Computers, Food, and Library Resources

Some students may be eligible for a free Chromebook laptop computer and discounted internet service through the [Maryland Connected Devices program](#). If you are in need, please look into this support as soon as possible. Appointments to apply are available tomorrow and Thursday. Access to quality foods is critical for achieving academic goals and no student should experience food insecurity. The College's [Mobile Markets](#), provided through our Student Health and Wellness ([SHaW](#)) Centers for Success, provide fresh food to students, employees, and the community at no cost. The next Mobile Market is at the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus on Wednesday. For academic support, the library on each campus has a rich [font of resources](#), including research assistance, books, ebooks, streaming films, and other research material.

Faculty and Staff Successes

Two MC employees have been selected by the [Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities](#) to join 54 others nationwide in the inaugural cohort of *Enlace*, a new leadership program. Yanira L. Rodriguez, community engagement manager, and Dr. Glenda Hernandez Tittle, professor of education, will engage in a six-month leadership development program designed to increase Latino/Latina leadership at Hispanic Serving Institutions. We're so proud of their selection! Another point of pride is that the College has been named a FamilyU Seal recipient for 2023–2026 by [Generation Hope](#). The seal is awarded to higher education institutions and nonprofit organizations making significant strides towards serving parenting students. As one of 13 institutions chosen from a competitive field, MC was also selected as the group's Exemplar institution. The designation means MC will receive \$25,000 to continue advancing our student-parent work. I'm so pleased that MC is building continuously on its support for student-parents.

Town Hall Tomorrow

Our first Town Hall of the year is tomorrow, starting at 2 p.m. I hope you will attend this virtual event to learn more about its theme, *Access: Building a College-going Culture*. Questions about access and any other College topic are welcome and can be submitted in advance to town.hall@montgomerycollege.edu or asked live during the Zoom event. **Advance registration is required—please register [here](#).**

With Raptor Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jermaine". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

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