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## MESSAGE FROM THE **SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT**

Girls hit your hallelujah (whoo)
'Cause uptown funk gon' give it to you
'Cause uptown funk gon' give it to you
'Cause uptown funk gon' give it to you
Saturday night and we in the spot
Don't believe me just watch (come on)
-Uptown Funk featuring Bruno Mars

Did you believe us? Did you watch? The opening scenes of College Day 2018 were truly epic as all areas of campus got together and brought out their Uptown Funk!

The day was off the charts starting with videos that introduced <u>our new Faculty</u>, <u>Classified Staff and Management</u>, and the <u>best carpool karaoke</u> episode you'll ever witness. We heard an amazing talk from our <u>Guided Pathways keynote speaker Dr. Rob Johnstone</u>. Several inspiring LBCC colleagues shared their secrets of student success. We can all learn from them, no matter what your job title is. We heard about an exciting new tool to help our students called <u>Starfish Early Alert</u>. And we unveiled a <u>new, strong, and original athletic logo</u> – the first in our 91-year history!

And that was just the first half of our College Day!

The entire day took a lot of planning, preparation and hard work. I send my most sincere gratitude out to the College Day Committee and all departments who supported them!

Thank you to our College Day Sponsors: Long Beach City College Foundation; Guided Pathways; Vice President Marlene Dunn; Interim Vice President Gene Durand; Vice President Mike Muñoz; Vice President Kathleen Scott; Faculty Association (FA); Management Association; American Federation of Teachers (AFT); and Certificated Hourly Instructors (CHI). And many thanks to those who donated the prizes that we handed out that day: Athletics; Barnes & Noble Campus Bookstore; Culinary Arts; LBCC Foundation & Alumni Association; Public Affairs & Marketing; S&B Catering and Sheet Metal.

I have the honor and privilege of working with all of you at Long Beach City College. If the amount energy I felt from College Day was an indicator of how the rest of the academic year will be, then I know it's going to be a year of productivity and fun. **Don't believe me? Just watch!** 





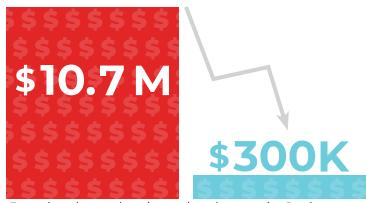
# LBCC Slashes \$10.4M From Budget Deficit Without Cuts to Personnel or Programs

Long Beach City College dramatically reduced its preliminary 2017-2018 \$10.7 million budget deficit to \$300,000 without layoffs or cuts to programs.

The deficit was reduced through cuts in expenses and an aggressive enrollment push. In addition, a number of employees accepted the Supplemental Employee Retirement Plan (SERP) that the College offered last June which allowed strategic reorganization of staff.

LBCC made an aggressive push to enroll additional students into the Summer Session classes which resulted in a 21 percent increase in full-time equivalent students compared to last year's Summer Session numbers.

LBCC also provided a number of enrollment events to assist future and current LBCC students in preparation for the Fall Semester.



Despite the reductions that began in Spring 2018, student success continued to improve at LBCC. In June 2018, 44 students graduated from LBCC with 4.0 GPA. This number is compared to 14 students in 2017 who achieved a perfect GPA.

Space is still available for new students at LBCC for Fall Semester. Late-starting classes begin Sept. 24 and Oct. 22.



Port of Long Beach and Long Beach City College leaders officially launched an innovative new program on Aug. 8 to provide opportunities to local students seeking the employment skills they need to join the goods movement workforce.

The Port of Long Beach Maritime Center of Excellence at Long Beach City College will target a variety of programs for occupations in the global logistics and supply chain industries that require more education than a high school diploma, but less than a four-year college degree.

The Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners approved \$60,000 in funding for the program's first year as a pilot project. The Maritime Center joins the Academy of Global Logistics at Cabrillo High School as a keystone of the Port's education outreach efforts.

The training at the Maritime Center of Excellence will focus on in-demand occupations which may include jobs like: warehouse and distribution supervisor, transportation supervisor, logistics and supply chain specialist, order processor, shipping and receiving clerk, and scheduler and operations

coordinator. As part of the one-year pilot program, LBCC will convene an advisory group with industry partners in 2018 to identify in-demand middle-skills jobs. The goal is to develop non-academic training to meet the needs of local employers, and prepare community members for careers in logistics and supply chain management.

For more information or to receive future notifications about this program, please contact LBCC Workforce Development at (562) 938-3248 or wfdev@lbcc.edu.



LBCC Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali



Sheet Metal Instructor Tim Shoemaker, Assistant Professor Damon Skinner, Dean of Career and Technical Education Gene Carbonaro, and LBCC Welding Technician Tim Schlock



Board President Sunny Zia and Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali speaking to a group of Long Beach City College students



(Left to right) Port of Long Beach Executive Director Mario Cordero, Port of Long Beach Harbor Commissioner Lou Anne Bynum, Long Beach Community College Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia, and Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali

## LBCCD Board of Trustees Approve Four-Year Contract for Dr. Reagan F. Romali



The Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees approved a new four-year contract for Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan F. Romali at their Aug. 21 meeting.

"Dr. Romali has made some amazing accomplishments during her short time here at Long Beach City College," said Board President Sunny Zia. "This past year, she's dramatically decreased our multi-million dollar deficit without layoffs or cuts to programs, increased summer enrollment, increased the number of students who graduated with honors, and boosted employee morale on campus. We are so proud that we have been able to bring a leader of her experience and caliber to LBCC."

During the August Trustee meeting, it was also announced that the 2017-2018 budget deficit was reduced from \$10.7 million to \$300,000. LBCC is looking at a three-phase plan to

eliminate the remaining deficit that includes reorganization of personnel and cutting expenditures.

"Dr. Romali's many years of experience as a college president gave her the ability to jump in immediately and address LBCC's challenges when she first got here," said Zia. "She made tremendous progress and we wanted to recognize this success. The new agreement starts to close the gap between her salary and our former Superintendent-President with an annual pay increase that is in line with our faculty."

"I am so grateful that I have been given the opportunity to continue to serve LBCC and our communities, and to work with the best faculty and staff in the country who are dedicated to student success," said Romali.



Long Beach City College is offering a free boot camp workshop series geared towards young women in high school, grades 10 through 12. This boot camp aims to give young women exposure to different career opportunities available within the computer science field while teaching them how to code.

Participants can sign up on a first-come, first-serve basis at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/LBCCcoding">https://tinyurl.com/LBCCcoding</a>. Space is limited. Participants must be attending a high school in Avalon, Lakewood, Long Beach or Signal Hill.

Classes will be held every other Saturday, beginning on Sept. 15 through Dec. 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at LBCC's Pacific Coast Campus. During the four-month, 28-hour boot camp, students will:

- Learn how to develop their own hands-on computer science programming projects with interactive computer programs using Java programming language.
- Hear from guest speakers who work in the tech industry.
- Take off-site visits to tour local technology companies.
- Create their own LinkedIn profile, and a portfolio of accomplishments and work completed during the camp. They will receive guidance on how to connect with companies online, and how to develop their job search skills.
- Receive an orientation on LBCC offerings and opportunities for enrolling into classes concurrently while taking high school courses.



The boot camp will be taught by LBCC Computer Office Studies faculty member Kimberly Davis. She will share her knowledge in programming languages C++, C#, Java, and Visual Basic, as well as her experience with Oracle, MySQL, Microsoft Access, and Dreamweaver.

LBCC's Workforce Development office is organizing this workshop. For more information on the Computer Science Boot Camp, please contact Workforce Development at (562) 938-3248.



# Long Beach City College Rolls Out New Athletic Viking Logo

For the first time in Long Beach City College history, an athletic logo was unveiled depicting the College's Viking mascot.

"We are extremely excited and proud to introduce our new athletic logo to the community," said LBCC Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan F. Romali. "The new athletic Viking logo builds on the original mascot that has been with us since 1927. The new Viking logo includes features that make it uniquely Long Beach City College."

The new LBCC athletic logo shows a black outline side profile of a Viking wearing a helmet accented with red. The Viking's face is gray to reflect LBCC's pride and belief that diversity is a great strength. The College's school colors of black, white and red are used throughout the logo. The Viking's mantle was inspired by ocean waves and a palm tree frond.

"This is a strong mascot that reflects LBCC's history and pride," said LBCC Athletic Director Randy Totorp, who originally commissioned the logo. "We have a top-notch Athletic program here at LBCC, and we are so happy to have this amazing logo that we can feature on all of our athletic uniforms."

Long Beach City College's Public Affairs and Marketing department designed the new logo with feedback from LBCC students, faculty, staff and management.

This athletic logo will not replace the current LBCC logo, which was introduced in 2008.

For more than 90 years, athletics has been a source of great pride at LBCC. Long Beach City College has earned 92 state championships, more than any other community college in California.



Congratulations to Long Beach City College's Nursing, Associate Degree (ADN) program for being the only LBCC program to receive Strong Workforce GOLD star from the California Community College Chancellor's Office.

A Strong Workforce Star is earned when a program improves student employment by 50 percent, wage outcomes by 70 percent, and 90 percent or more of their students are employed by a job similar to their field of study. The ADN program met all three targets with 100 percent of the cohorts employed in a job similar to the field of study.

### LBCC Connects with the Long Beach Community







Elijah Sims

Long Beach City College has been active in the Long Beach community during the month of August.

On Aug. 25, LBCC's Outreach and Career & Technical Education teams joined forces to host a booth at the Beach Streets Twilight in Downtown Long Beach. Hundreds of community members packed the one-mile stretch on Shoreline Drive to enjoy two stages with music and activities for the entire family.

LBCC's Outreach team also attended the annual Long Beach Jazz Festival on Aug. 12 for the first time. LBCC was able to reach out to hundreds of community members and provided information about LBCC.

# Mark Marano Named Early Educator of the Year



Long Beach City College Child Development Center (CDC) teacher Mark Marano was named Early Educator of the Year by Child360, making him the third LBCC teacher in four years to be honored with the award.

The Annual Child360 Early Educator of the Year Awards is a Los Angeles county teacher recognition program that acknowledges those who teach children 0 – 5 years of age, known as the most critical window for children when the architecture of the brain is being developed.

Marano has worked at the PCC's CDC since August of 2013.

A Long Beach resident, Marano has known since high school that he wanted to work as a teacher of young children.

"My sister had a hard time in school due to ineffective teachers so I wanted to dedicate my life to being a responsive teacher—one that meets children where they are and helps them grow and develop, a teacher that inspires a love for learning. I began working with young children in 2001, and 17 years later I'm still hooked!" he said.

In 2014 and 2017, LBCC's Pacific Coast Campus (PCC) CDC teachers Debbi Watts and Angelica Hernandez captured the honor. Watts, Hernandez and Marano all completed the bulk of their Early Childhood Education units and earned their Associates Degrees from LBCC.

### Kaplinsky Elected to National Teacher Education Program Board

Long Beach City College Assistant Professor of Reading, Megan Kaplinsky, has been elected to serve as Secretary on the Executive Board of the National Association of Community College Teacher Education Programs (NACCTEP).

NACCTEP promotes the community college's role in the recruitment, preparation, retention, and renewal of diverse early childhood and K-12 teachers. NACCTEP aims to advance quality teacher education programs at the community college level. Kaplinsky has been dedicated to the redevelopment of a teacher education program at LBCC since she arrived five years ago, after teaching at the K-12 level.



"This is a dream job that I was meant to do right now," Kaplinsky said. "The National Board allows me to advocate for community colleges and for LBCC to promote our role in developing future teacher candidates."

Kaplinsky's term is for two years.

## Congratulations

### **Newly Appointed**



**Lisa Orr**Dean of Social Science,
Business and Arts



**Deborah Miller-Calvert**Director of Student
Health and Student Life

# LBPD Employee of the Month: Officer Harris



Congratulations to Long Beach Police
Officer Nicholas Harris who was honored in
August by Long Beach Police Department
Chief Robert Luna as the LBPD Sworn
in Employee of the Month. He served as
Acting Sergeant of the LBCC Section and

acted as the main liaison between LBCC administrators and the LBPD. Out of 800 sworn employees, Harris was recognized for his hard work, perseverance, and leadership skills.

## New Member of PCC Administration Office



Please welcome Cydney Leon, who joined the Pacific Coast Campus family as part of the Administration Office Team. Cydney replaces Mary McEldowney who retired in June after 13 years at LBCC. Cydney has been with LBCC for more than 15 years,

serving as Executive Assistant in College Advancement and Economic Development, the President's Office, and Academic Affairs.

Cydney can be reached at x3903 and cleon@lbcc.edu.

### **Be Social with LBCC!**

Connect with Long Beach City College and check out our latest videos, campus activities and upcoming events on our social media platforms!











## New LEAD Academy Class

The latest <u>LEAD Academy</u> class, Long Beach City College's newest professional development program for staff, has been announced. The 38 faculty, classified and management staff members representing various LBCC departments are as follows:

Sergio Alcala (Counseling and Student Support Services); Christopher Baker (Grounds and Transportation); Kyran Barr (Social Sciences); Jennifer Bourgeois (LBCC Foundation); Nelly Brashear (English); Kimberly Casuga (Categorical Programs); Dario De Santiago (Multimedia Services); Kathy Each (Social Sciences, Business & Arts); Adira Edmond (English); Maria Ek Ewell (Disabled Student Programs & Services); Sten Ensberg (SBDC); Mariela Esquivias (Assessment Center); Elizabeth Gallardo (Learning & Academic Resources); Grace Galvez (Writing & Reading Success Center); Alexis Garriott (Learning) & Academic Resources); Traci Glassock (Scholarship); Gloria Gonzalez-Wilson (Human Resources); Kevin Gowens (Transfer Center); Mireille Hernandez (Purchasing);

LaFrieda Johnson (Enrollment Services); Jamie Kammerman (Student Life); Adrienne Kibler (Institutional Effectiveness); Miriam Lynch (Computer & Office Studies); Sharon McMahon (Foreign Language); Candace Meehan (Counseling); Kirsten Moreno (English); Tim Mount (Communication Studies); Heidi Neu-Stephens (Learning & Academic Resources); Phillip Ninomiya (Foreign Language); Diana Phan (Institutional Effectiveness); Wendy Porter-Coste (Upward Bound); Bre Ritter (Human Resources); Kamisha Sullivan (Reading); Katie Sundara (Career & Technical Education); Sota Sunleng (Contracts Management); Giovanni Vergara (Facilities); Arienne Watson (Career & Technical Education); and Sabrina Willison (Social Sciences).

The objectives of the LEAD Academy are to foster stronger relationships among LBCC colleagues, enhance communication, increase broad based institutional knowledge and learn team-building skills.

Click here for a LEAD Academy application if you are interested in joining next year's class.





### Introducing Starfish Early Alert

<u>Starfish</u> is a tool that provides an online space for instructors to connect with their students about class performance. Through Starfish, instructors can activate a network of support for students that extends beyond the classroom. You can also watch this <u>brief video</u> to find out how Starfish works between <u>instructors</u>, staff and students.

Participating LBCC instructors can provide students with feedback in the form of a kudo, flag or referral. Staff also have an important role in Starfish by resolving flags or raising kudos.



#### Kudos

When your instructor sends a Kudo, they are recognizing great effort in class.



#### Flags

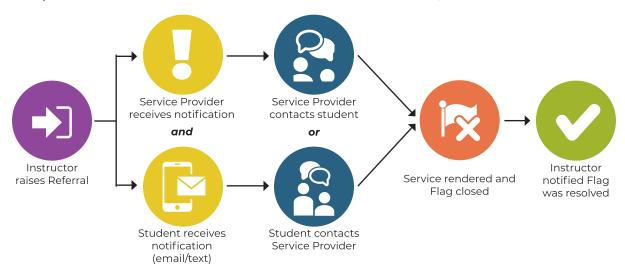
When your instructor raises a Flag, they see opportunities for you to improve your grade.



#### Referrals

When your instructor sends you a Referral, you will be connected with specific LBCC services such as tutoring and counseling.

Here's an example of how Starfish communicates between instructor, student and staff:



### **How does Starfish help students?**

- Starfish provides instructors with an easy way to give students feedback about their academic performance.
- Starfish makes connecting students with the right resources at the right time, quick and easy.
- Starfish provides students with a Success Network filled with contact information of faculty and staff committed to their success.

Starfish Early Alert is now available for all areas to use. The Starfish Support team can be contacted at **starfishsupport@lbcc.edu**.

Staff can schedule a time to meet with the team to explore how Starfish can help students access services. Faculty can find out about upcoming training sessions that will show the function and features of Starfish Early Alert, and how to set up their user profile.

For more information visit www.lbcc.edu/starfish.

### LBCC Announces 2018 Hall of Fame Inductees



A Long Beach City Councilmember, a veteran law enforcement commander, an educator who continues to give back to the community college he served, and an attorney who is recognized in her expertise in special education law have been named as Long Beach City College's 2018 Hall of Fame inductees, LBCC officials recently announced.

This year's honorees are: Long Beach City Councilmember Dee Andrews; Seal Beach Police Commander Stephen Bowles; community volunteer and retired educator Dr. John Fylpaa; and attorney Janeen Steel.

LBCC's 2018 Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner is scheduled for Wed., Oct. 17, at 5:30 p.m. at The Grand Long Beach Events Center, 4101 E. Willow St., Long Beach, CA 90815. The LBCC Foundation hosts this annual event.

#### About this year's inductees:

**Dee Andrews** – Referred to as the "Son of the Sixth," Andrews is the native son and representative for the Long Beach City Council's sixth district. He has lived in the Central Long Beach area since age five, excelling in athletics at Poly High School, LBCC and Cal State Long Beach. The former NFL player later became a mentor for juveniles before being elected to the City Council in 2007. His third term was captured in 2016 as a write-in candidate.

**Stephen Bowles** – Second in Command to the Seal Beach Police Chief, Bowles has served more than 24 years in law enforcement for the city in which he also volunteers extensively. The recipient of the Medal of Merit for his role as first responder and Public Information Officer in the Salon Meritage mass shooting, the past Seal Beach Police Officer of the Year is also the founding member of the National Law Enforcement Cancer Support Foundation.

**John Fylpaa** – With an entire career and productive retirement dedicated to the betterment of LBCC students' lives, Fylpaa is one of the most respected educators in the College's 91-year history. The former Associated Student Body Cabinet Advisor, Dean of Student Affairs and Dean of Athletics continues to play a role in mentoring and scholarship assistance for LBCC students through the John Fylpaa Leadership Institute. He serves his community through volunteerism with Meals on Wheels, Long Beach Schools Financial Credit Union, the Century Club and many other organizations.

**Janeen Steel** – One of the foremost experts in special education law, Steel is the founder of the non-profit Learning Rights Law Center. She earned her Juris Doctor at the University of California, Los Angeles School of Law, where she received the UCLA La Raza Alumni Association Cesar Chavez Summer Fellowship to create the blueprint for her future – the Learning Rights Manual, an advocacy guide for families of students with disabilities. At LBCC's 85th anniversary gala she was honored as a "Viking of the Decade" for her advocacy work in education for disadvantaged children with disabilities.

Established in 1972, the Hall of Fame recognizes former LBCC students who have made outstanding contributions to their chosen fields and communities. The 2018 honorees will join past honorees who have attended Long Beach City College, from former Mayor Beverly O'Neill and actor John Amos, to comedian Paul Rodriguez and philanthropist Naomi Rainey-Pierson, and many others.

For reservations, sponsorship opportunities or other information on the 2018 Alumni Hall of Fame, please contact Paula Barrow at (562) 938-4303 or pbarrow@lbcc.edu.



The Long Beach City College Foundation received a gift of real estate, which turned into one of the largest donations in the Foundation's history. The donation was from a Long Beach couple to support the Long Beach College Promise.

According to LBCC Foundation Executive Director Elizabeth McCann, the residential property closed escrow in July and garnered \$1 million. This money will be set aside for the Long Beach College Promise scholarship, which provides qualified Long Beach Unified School District high school graduates a free first year of tuition at Long Beach City College.

The Long Beach couple who donated the property are both alumni of LBCC and CSULB, and requested anonymity. Their gift is one of the most significant LBCC has received. Since the Long Beach College Promise went into effect 10 years ago, its success has generated national awards for LBCC and inspired schools across the country to enact similar seamless education agreements with free community college options often included.

McCann is hopeful that others will be inspired to make similar investments in higher education to benefit the students of Long Beach. Donors can deduct the property's fair market value while avoiding capital gains taxes when making donations of real estate to 501(c)(3) charities, such as the LBCC Foundation.

If you would like to make a donation to the LBCC Foundation, please contact (562) 938-4134 or visit **www.LBCC.edu/Foundation**.



Long Beach City College faculty and staff knew immediately at the start of the day that this year's College Day on Aug. 24 was going to be different. Excitement about the upcoming academic year was contagious as the morning was kicked-off with LBCC Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali, Ole the Viking, LBCC faculty, staff and cheerleaders performed an energetic flash mob, and LBCC premiered its own version of Carpool Karaoke.

With the theme of "A Day at the (Long) Beach" more than 600 LBCC Faculty, Classified Staff and Management participated in this year's College Day activities. **Dr. Rob Johnstone** served as the day's keynote speaker to talk about Guided Pathways.



Lt. Omar Martinez, Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali, and Officer Chi



Vidal Vargas, Elijah Sims, and Nohel Corral



Susan Trask and Caroline Chretien Shook



Dr. Mike Muñoz, Paolo Canteras, Jan**é**t Hund, Dr. Kathy Scott, Susan Trask, Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan F. Romali, Jorge Ochoa, Dr. Hussam Kashou, Anne Engel, Karen Roberts, Gene Durand, and Marlene Dunn



Jerome Thomas and Bradlee Crihfield



Randy Totorp



Joshua Castellanos, Bradlee Crihfield, and Jeff Wood



Matt Guardabascio, Liz McCann, and Paula Barrow



Johanna Fackeldey, Elijah Sims, Natalie De Moss, and Sonia De La Torre-Iniguez



Heather Van Volkinburg



Keynote speaker Dr. Rob Johnstone



Mo Wright, Brittany Triola, and Camille Bolton



Long Beach Community College Board of Trustees Vice President Vivian Malauulu and Dr. Kathy Scott



Nancy Mahan



Jonathan Tejada





Erika Thomas-Eddens, Wendy Porter-Coste, and Lisa Morales



DeWayne Sheaffer



Nicholas Cabeza from Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell's office presents a certificate to Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali.



Board President Zia

The Welcome Centers located at both Long Beach City College campuses celebrated their grand openings in early September.

Dozens of students, faculty, staff, and managers watched as Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia, LBCC Superintendent-President Reagan F. Romali and Welcome Center Counselor DeWayne Scheaffer cut the ribbon to the Welcome Centers during two separate ceremonies.

The Welcome Center will serve both community members who are interested in becoming students and current students. Services include answering general questions about LBCC, enrollment assistance, and help with educational planning.

The Liberal Arts Campus Welcome Center is located in the A Building, and the Pacific Coast Campus Welcome Center is located in the AA Building. They will be open Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Fridays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Board President Zia (far left), DeWayne Sheaffer (2nd from right), and Superintendent-President Romali (far right)



Shyra Compton and Erainia Freeman



A variety of LATE-STARTING CLASSES begins **Sept. 24** & **Oct. 22** 

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