Start Prepping for Finals!

Final exams are a comprehensive assessment of student learning during the entire semester. However, it may be easier to learn and review material in small segments. If you start your course review in May, you'll have time to set a comfortable pace to prepare for Spring I finals.

LaGuardia offers many resources to help students meet their academic needs. Whether you are setting your own plan or seeking help from a professor or fellow student, you have options to choose from:

• Speak to your professor. They keep weekly office hours to answer student questions and can direct you to course specific tutoring services or study groups.
• Form a study group with classmates. You'll make new friends and get a new perspective on course material.
• Many academic departments have Tutoring Labs where you can receive one-on-one or group help. A list of tutoring labs is below:

  • The Writing Center, B200
  The Writing Center will help you improve your writing for any class, except ESL and Reading department courses, which have their own tutoring labs. Writing Center tutors can help you get started on a research paper, teach you how to proofread, or help you correct a graded essay. No advance appointments are necessary.
  • Academic Peer Instruction, E115
  This program provides you with trained peer tutors who have successfully completed the course you seek help in. API tutors re-attend the class and organize weekly group study sessions. Check the tutoring schedule posted outside of E-115.
  • SGA Study Hall, M159
  The SGA Study Hall provides help in English, Accounting, Math, Reading and Science courses through one-on-one tutoring and group tutoring sessions and workshops.
  Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 7:45 p.m.
  Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (except summer).

Additional tutoring labs:
• Accounting Resource Lab, E-273
• ESL Lab, E-201
• Math Tutoring Lab, E-215
• Reading/Communication Skills Lab, E-114

Daring To Do More

Omid Adabi

“My parents told me, ‘Just go to LaGuardia,'” Omid Adabi remembers, and with good reason. What Omid found at LaGuardia Community College in one semester, he hadn't found during a whole year at Queens College. “I wasn’t reaching my full potential,” says the Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) student. “There were so many more opportunities at LaGuardia, like doing research.”

Omid was awarded at the Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students for his research on the effects the increase of a protein has on certain cells in women. He also won second place in LaGuardia’s Annual College-wide Speech contest for his presentation on how social media promoted obstetric fistula, a severe medical condition that most often affects women who’ve had inadequate medical attention when giving birth.

But Omid wasn’t always as outgoing and charismatic as he is now. "He was always

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Student News

Editorial Policy

The Student News is a college publication for the benefit of the student body. All articles accepted for publication are reviewed and edited as needed for style and length. The Division of Student Affairs and the Office of Marketing and Communications produce the Student News collaboratively.

You Could Win an iPad! Details Inside

back page
The word “education” is derived from the Latin root “educo,” meaning to educe – to draw out. This is important to the college experience because it emphasizes the reality that each of us at LaGuardia has something inside us that must be drawn out for the betterment of everyone in our community.

It is especially important to remember to draw out what is called emotional intelligence. What’s on the inside – the sculpture inside that block of marble – is vital to your success. Of course, part of your education is to achieve competence in academic skills such as reading, writing, quantitative reasoning, and technological literacy. But mastering your emotional intelligence is just as important.

There are five essential traits that emotionally intelligent students possess. See how many you have and which ones you can improve.

**Self-awareness.** You are able to identify and learn about your emotions as you experience them.

**Empathy.** You are also in tune with the feelings of others, and you can see that there can be multiple reasons behind what someone else is feeling.

**Self-control.** You know how to manage your emotions.

**Motivation.** You can set goals and accomplish them.

**Rapport.** You have good relationship-building skills. You can negotiate, resolve conflict, and secure successful outcomes.

If you possess emotional intelligence, you are well on your way to having the “soft skills” employers will require once you graduate from college. If you do not have all of these down yet, you might think about what you need to do to get there. To learn to develop these traits, you can talk with your advisor or a counselor. Gandhi’s notion that we must be the change we wish to see in the world begins with self-reflection and a willingness to be engaged in a pursuit of learning that draws out your best qualities.

That’s what makes LaGuardia a special place, one where the love of learning is a shared experience.

How are we doing? How is your Spring 2012 Session I going? Tell VP Baston!

Vice President Michael Baston invites you to “check in” and share your ideas or concerns about being a LaGuardia student!

Email
TellVPBaston@lagcc.cuny.edu

Changes to Fall 2012 Registration

Advisement for Fall 2012 will begin May 1 and end June 28.

**YOU CAN BEAT THE RUSH BY TAKING CARE OF YOUR ADVISEMENT DURING THIS PERIOD. DON’T FORGET: YOU CAN APPLY FOR YOUR FINANCIAL AID NOW.**

Registration for Fall 2012 will begin July 18 and end September 13.

We will notify you of your registration appointment and advisement schedules through your LaGuardia email account.

CUNYfirst is LaGuardia’s new registration and information management system that will replace eSIMs starting in July 2012. Implementation of the CUNYfirst system has led to some important changes in Fall 2012 advisement and registration scheduling.

CUNYfirst will make it easier for you to register, get the classes you need, plan your courses and schedule for future terms, apply for financial aid, prepare for graduation and manage your personal information online.

Please visit the CUNYfirst website www.laguardia.edu/CUNYFirst/Home/ and click on the student tab to learn more about CUNYfirst.

If you have any questions or need help, call the Student Information Center at (718) 482-5935, or fill out the form on our CUNYfirst web site home page: http://www.laguardia.edu/CUNYFirst/Home/.

Watch for the next issue of **Student News** in June 2012!
College-Wide Advising Day

Thursday, May 17  10am to 6pm   E Atrium

If you have at least 24 credits and completed all your basic skills courses, or are looking to transfer to a four-year school or explore career options, you will benefit significantly from this opportunity.

On College-Wide Advising day you will be able to:
- Clear your advising stops
- Get advised by the program coordinators in your major
- Meet with the faculty and coordinators in your specific major/option and discuss career opportunities
- Review articulation agreements with senior colleges, course substitutions and more.

Get the answers to all your career, transfer and academic questions first hand from the professionals in your program of study. This is a win-win event!

Sustainability

For over a month, LaGuardia students and the Sustainability Council have been collaborating with various academic departments to facilitate the College’s first donation to Material for the Arts. When they have so generously been giving to our community, there isn’t any place to give back to better than this non-profit community agency.

Located in Long Island City, the Materials for the Arts warehouse is solely for housing gallon-sized paint donations. The organizations mission generously been giving to our community, there isn’t any place to give back to better than this non-profit community agency.

Located in Long Island City, the Materials for the Arts warehouse is solely for housing gallon-sized paint donations. The organizations mission is to collect such unwanted items and make them available gratuitously to arts programs within NYC’s non-profit arts and cultural organizations. Even NYC public schools qualify as recipients, and LaGuardia’s performing and visual arts departments have been no exception.

As an initiative to further LaGuardia’s commitment to sustainability, three students (pictured) volunteered their time one morning to help select useable paints from the two large stacks of cans squandering on our campus.

The project attracted an unprecedented student-staff effort. And on Thursday, April 5th, the College successfully completed its first donation worth over $1,200 in total.

Thanks to the Sustainability Council, Buildings Operations, Administrative & Support Services, and the Main Stage Theater for their constant support and feedback.

WebRadio

The Office of Marketing and Communications collaborated with students from the Fall 2011 ENG 211 Journalism course, The Craft of Gathering and Reporting the News, to produce material for publication in LiveWire, Student News and on the homepage of the College’s website. This is some of their work.

Aside from serving as a laboratory for students in the broadcast and other communication fields, the LaGuardia Web Radio Club has much more to offer - hands on experience of running a radio station as well as improving your interpersonal skills. And in addition to basic training, you are informed of Federal Communications Commission guidelines. A lesser perk, though an exciting one, is the global streaming capabilities of LaGuardia’s Web Radio. I was able to have my grandmother and other family members in the Dominican Republic listen in on my show.

As a fellow member and former Vice President of Web Radio one of the things that most captured my attention was the diverse work and its versatility. In the time I’ve spent with the President of the Web Radio, Christina Purpura, we had the opportunity to hold several joint events with other College groups, including the Student Government Association.

“Providing the student body at LaGuardia, as well as the surrounding community, a chance to voice their issues and concerns surrounding our lives,” says Christina, is the clubs daily M.O. To this end, Web Radio collaborated with the College’s American Sign Language Club on various occasions, leaving no voice unheard.

“The purpose of LaGuardia’s Web Radio is to inspire our students and listeners to have a powerful impact on their own lives. This will be
May is Healthy Vision Month

Healthy Vision Month is a national eye health observance established in 2003 by the National Eye Institute. It is designated to elevate vision as a health priority by promoting the importance of early detection and treatment, as well as the use of proper eye safety practices.

Millions of people living in the United States have undetected vision problems, eye diseases, and conditions. Here are four tips to help you prevent vision loss and blindness, and keep you seeing your best.

Schedule a comprehensive dilated eye exam

In this painless procedure, an eye care professional examines the eyes to detect common vision problems and eye diseases, many of which have no early warning signs. Early detection and treatment can help to save your sight.

Eat right to protect your sight

You've heard carrots are good for your eyes, but research shows that eating a diet rich in fruits, vegetables and Omega-3 fatty acids is important for keeping your eyes healthy too. Dark leafy greens such as spinach, kale, or collard greens; and fish such as salmon, tuna and halibut yield great eye health benefits.

Maintain a healthy weight

Being overweight increases your risk of developing diabetes and other systemic conditions, which can lead to vision loss through diabetic eye disease or glaucoma. If you are having trouble maintaining a healthy weight, talk to your doctor.

Wear protective eyewear

Keep your eyes safe when playing sports or doing aggressive activities around the home. Protective eyewear includes safety glasses and goggles, safety shields, and eye guards specially designed to provide the correct protection for a certain activity. Most protective eyewear lenses are made of polycarbonate, which is 10 times stronger than other plastics. Eye care providers sell protective eyewear, as do sporting goods stores.

Schedule a free eye-screening exam today by calling (718) 482-5997. Appointments are available Monday through Friday from 9:30am to 4:30pm in LaGuardia’s Wellness Center, room C235.

NEW @ LaGuardia

M Building Lobby Renewed

LaGuardia’s Shenker Hall (named after the College’s first president), better known as the M Building Lobby and home to the Welcome Center has a new face this month. The main entrance floor, walls and lighting were replaced and painted with the College’s signature colors, red and grey. The fresh space will be a vibrant greeting to our incoming and current community.

SAVE THE DATE!
THE MAIN CELEBRATION ON WED MAY 9
2PM-5PM AT COBBLESTONE COURTYARD
http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu/ahc/

ASIAN HERITAGE CELEBRATION

The Asian Heritage Planning Committee at LaGuardia Community College is committed to bringing together the diverse Asian and Asian American groups on campus.

Our main campus event is the celebration of Asian Heritage Month in May. In addition, a series of activities are planned to explore the vibrant diversity and richness of various Asian cultures.

We are looking forward to providing the college with a wonderful array of educational, cultural and engaging programs that will heighten the awareness and contributions of Asian and Asian American groups in New York City.

Attention Students and Musicians

The Humanities Department and the Music Recording Technology Program is holding its 3rd Annual LaGuardia Spring Jam Festival on Wednesday, May 23.

See May Calendar of Events, page 5 for more information.
May Calendar

Ongoing
- Yoga Break for Women: Wednesdays; 2:15pm; room MB10
- Open Yoga: Thursdays; 2:15pm; room MB10
- Celebrate Every Body: A health & wellness oriented empowerment group Wednesdays; 1pm; room MB10
- Mathematics: Stress Reducing Workshops; Thursdays; 9:30am; room MB10A
- Free Vision Screening - The College's Nurse is available in the Wellness Center, room C 235, for vision screening. Please call 718-482-5997 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, daily except Wednesdays.

A "Global Conversation": Presentation by Dr. Khalil Gibran Muhammad, Executive Director of the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture
Tuesday, May 1; 10:30am and 11:45am; Room E242
Discussion on "The Condemnation of Blackness - Race, Crime, and the Making of Modern Urban America". This hour-long presentation is part of LaGuardia's African Heritage celebration. For further information please contact Jeffrey Batts at jbatts@lagcc.cuny.edu or (718) 482-5195.

Tour of the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture and the Apollo Theater
Thursday, May 3
Free for students. Seating is limited. For further information and to reserve a seat please contact

Jeffrey Batts at jbatts@lagcc.cuny.edu or at 718-482-5195. This tour is part of LaGuardia's African Heritage celebrations.

iTunes U Training Workshop
Friday, May 11; 11am-12pm; Room M200L
Learn how to use the this tool, which is revolutionizing how students learn outside of the classroom, particularly when their on the run. Trainings also offered in Microsoft Office products, Blogging, PC Repair and more. Visit www.claguardia.edu/workshops for a full schedule of trainings offered.

3rd Annual Spring Jam Festival
Wednesday, May 23; 2:30pm-4pm; E Atrium
The Humanities Department and the Music Recording Technology Program host an afternoon of live music showcasing the talent of our very own LaGuardia students. Drums, guitars and keyboards, it's bound to be a treat.

No classes - Memorial Day Holiday
Monday, May 28
College offices will also be closed.

A Depression Awareness & Coping Strategies Workshop with Dr. Kyoko Toyama
Thursday, May 31; 1pm; Room MB10
Learn the warning signs of depression and strategies for coping and prevention. For further information please contact Joanna DeLeon at jdeleon@lagcc.cuny.edu or (718) 482-5102.

Student Success Workshop Series

Become a Creator with Carole Julien
Wednesday, May 2; 2:30pm-3:30pm; room B116
When academic outcomes are negative, students often blame others; when academic outcomes are positive, many students also give credit to others. Take this opportunity to give up the passivity and bitterness of a victim and approach life with empowering beliefs and behaviors as a creator of positive experiences.

Time Management with Roni Patterson
Wednesday, May 2; 2:30pm-3:30pm; room B120
Learn how to budget your time and use it more effectively, whatever your class load or crazy life schedule may be like. You won't have to rush to finish a term paper or pull an all-nighter again.

Do You Have an Attitude? with M. Hodge and S. Celellos
Wednesday, May 2 and 9; 2:30pm-3:30pm; room B116
The attitudes we hold have a direct impact on our ability to succeed. This workshop will explore ways to move past attitudes that sabotage success, so that you can complete assignments with enthusiasm and gain a positive outlook on academics.

DegreeWorks with Roni Patterson
Wednesday, May 9; 2:30pm-3:30pm; room B120
DegreeWorks is a degree audit and academic tracking system that allows you to view your progress, review your graduation requirements and make detailed plans for the future. You'll get a head start on planning your next semester's coursework.

Strategies for Success with Valerie Jones, LMSW
Wednesday, May 16 and 23; 2:30pm-3:30pm; room B116
Learn the steps you need to take to ensure college success. Join us as we identify success obstacles, and create individualized plans for success.

accomplished by creating extraordinary on-air conversations and entertainment. The station serves as a showcase for the diversity, talent, and intellect of our students, faculty, and staff. Our expectations are that our audience will play an active part in the evolution of our programming,” says Purpura.

Alongside my Co-Host, Julio Durango, we spoke about up-and-coming artist and current music industry events, as well as on-campus issues like the importance of Student Government elections and tuition hikes. In addition to entertainment, the LaGuardia Web Radio offers an open club hour where upcoming events and schools news are reported. “Unlike commercial radio stations, Web Radio programs and plays a wide variety of music. We are always seeking new and original programming to keep our listeners happy and one of the greatest opportunities is that Web Radio gives the student a chance to go beyond the classroom,” adds Christina.

Web Radio gave me the opportunity to experience and learn about the radio side of mass communications. It broadened my choices – I saw that there was more to broadcast journalism than just television – and it gave me new ideas about what I could do with my degree. I encourage LaGuardia students to open up their schedules and give clubs a chance. I will never forget Web Radio’s motto “The Web Radio Station is one of the voices of the College, run by students for the LaGuardia Community. We’re here to speak, entertain, and inspire. We’re here for you!” It truly did contribute to a greater college experience.

The LaGuardia Web Radio began in the summer of 2005; the club is open to all students and faculty members. Whether you’re looking for an extracurricular activity or are undecided about your major, joining Web Radio will change your perspective on the cliché of a boring community college life. Learn more about the Web Radio by visiting their website at www.laguardia.edu/webradio.

Katherine Falcon is a student in the Communication studies major.
Applying for 2012-2013 Financial Aid

Priority Deadline for Financial Aid Applications is April 15, 2012

Visit the Resource Center in C-109 where you can file your electronic FAFSA, TAP application, obtain a PIN number, and apply for a LaGuardia Foundation Scholarship. The Resource Center is open Monday – Thursday 9:00am to 6:00pm.

List of Documents Required for Financial Aid Application

- 2011 Federal and State Tax Returns
- 2011 W-2 Forms
- 2011 Records of untaxed benefits received (SSI payments, Public Assistance)
- 2011 Bank Statements
- Social Security Card
- Alien Registration Card
- Driver’s License

The IRS Data Retrieval Tool on the FAFSA

The IRS Data Retrieval Tool makes it easier to fill out your FAFSA application by authorizing the IRS to release the necessary income information to complete the application. Students who don’t use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool and are selected for verification will be required to provide an IRS Tax Transcript.

To use the tool, all parties must have filed the 2011 tax return at least two weeks prior to filling out the FAFSA. Read more about obtaining an IRS Tax Transcript in the Verification Process for 2012-2013 section.

LaGuardia Foundation Scholarships

Priority Deadline is May 15, 2012 for Fall 2012 – Spring 2013 Scholarship awards

The LaGuardia Community College/CUNY Foundation has a number of scholarships available to students currently enrolled at LaGuardia Community College who have attained a high degree of academic excellence. Applicants will be asked to write a brief personal statement describing their background, education and career goals. LaGuardia Foundation Scholarship awards range from $500 to $4,000 per year. The on-line application is available at www.laguardia.edu/Supporters-Friends/Apply-For-Scholarships.

Verification Process for 2012-2013

The Office for Student Financial Services no longer accepts copies of Federal Tax Returns for income verification for the FAFSA. If you are selected for verification and did not use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool, you will be required to provide an IRS Tax Return Transcript.


Applicants must complete the Education Department’s Online Entrance Interview for Direct Loans, and link to the interactive Loan request page – all through the FAFSA Portal.

Go to www.cuny.edu. Click “Log-in” at bottom left of navigation bar. Type in your Username and Password. Click the “Log In” button. (If you do not have an account, click “Register Now!” to get a username and password.)

Click the link to Admissions and Financial Aid under the Apply to CUNY section. Click Financial Aid on the left of the navigation bar.

Click on Application Status – this will lead you to FAFSA and TAP applications.

Click on Award Summary to view a display of Pell, TAP, campus-based aid and Direct Loans.

You will also find links to:
- Guide to Financial Aid
- FAFSA on the web
- Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC)
- Summary of Financial Aid Programs
- Federal Tax Benefits for Tuition and Fees
- Preventing Financial Aid Scams
- Identity Theft Prevention

Receiving Financial Aid Payment

Students eligible to receive financial aid may receive payment by check, direct deposit or CUNY Scholar Support Prepaid Card. Payments are automatically sent as a check by mail unless otherwise indicated.

CUNY Scholar Support Prepaid Card

This is not a credit card. It is a prepaid MasterCard accepted at any store or ATM where MasterCard debit is accepted. Student payments will be automatically deposited to the card and can be used immediately. Sign up for the CUNY Scholar Support Prepaid Card at www.cuny.edu/scholarsupport.

Direct Deposit through Any Bank

Arrange your financial aid to go to your bank account and avoid checks lost and delays. Simply fill out the Direct Deposit Request/Authorization Form available on our website under “Download Forms” or you may pick one up at the Bursar’s Window in the Basement Lobby of the M Building.

How Withdrawing Affects Financial Aid

If you withdraw from a class, you may be required to repay part or all of the funds you received, even if you withdraw by the official withdrawal date. You should absolutely avoid dropping or officially withdrawing from classes.

For example, if you receive a full-time Federal Pell Grant payment and you withdraw from a class, and remain with at least 1.0 tuition unit through 5.5 tuition units, the amount of Pell funds you receive for the session will be reduced. If the Pell fund amount is then less than the amount credited towards tuition/fees and a book voucher, you will immediately have to pay the difference to the Bursar’s Office.

For more information on the impact of withdrawing from classes on your financial aid, visit: https://www.laguardia.edu/financial-aid/financial-aid-policies/
**Dollars & Sense** from p. 6

- Print out the rights and responsibilities page, and sign it.
- Bring the signed rights and responsibilities page, within 30 days, to Student Financial Services (C-107), where you will complete your loan application.
- E-sign a Master Promissory Note (MPN) at http://denote.ed.gov using your PIN. If you do not have a PIN, you can request one at www.pin.ed.gov.

Once the MPN is completed, you will receive a disclosure notice from the Department of Education approximately 10 days before the scheduled disbursement date. The Disclosure Notice will indicate the approved gross loan amount(s), fees, net loan amounts, and anticipated disbursement dates. All loans are disbursed in at least 2 disbursements.

### Attention Student Borrowers

#### Exit Counseling/Interview

*If you do not complete an Exit Counseling/Interview your school records, including your academic transcript and diploma will not be released until you complete this requirement.*

If you are graduating, drop below 6 credits, or are leaving LaGuardia Community College, and you have an outstanding Perkins or Direct Loan, federal regulations require you to complete an Exit Counseling/Interview. The exit counseling/interview serves to remind you of your rights and responsibilities, and gives you an opportunity to speak with a financial aid counselor about any questions that you may have regarding your loan.

**Perkins Loan Borrowers** may complete the Exit Interview online at http://lagecc.cuny.edu/financial-aid/links/.

**Direct Loan Borrowers** may complete the Exit Counseling online at http://www.nslds.ed.gov/.

#### Don't Default on Your Student Loan

If you default on your student loan, you will face the following serious consequences:

- Your loan will be reported to national credit bureaus and it will damage your credit rating;
- A defaulted loan can make it more difficult to buy a home or a car;
- Legal action can be taken against you;
- Your wages can be garnished;
- Your income tax refund can be withheld;
- You may not be eligible for additional student aid.

#### Student Loan Repayment options:

For more information on repayment options on student loans, you may visit the applicable websites Federal Direct Student Loan borrowers can visit the NSLDS website: http://www.nslds.ed.gov.

Perkins Loan borrowers can visit the Educational Computer Services, Inc. website: www.ecsi.net

### Important Financial Aid Links & Numbers

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**Avoid Long Lines!** Once you have completed your registration, go to the Office of the Bursar to settle your registration bill. If your balance due is $200 or more, you must settle your registration bill by the close of the business day as indicated on the Payment Due Dates schedule (see right). Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of your registration.

### Payment Options

#### TuitionPay Payment Plan from Sallie Mae

Enroll for $16.75 plus 1/3 of your current semester tuition balance. Enrollment for the 6/13 SPAY plan for Spring II 2012 is going on now. There are three ways to enroll:

- Visit www.tuitionpay.com/cuny
- By phone at 1-800-635-0120
- In person enrollment with a TuitionPay representative will take place outside of the Office of the Bursar on the following days:
  - June 4-7 9am-7pm
  - June 8 9am-3pm
  - June 11-14 9am-7pm
  - June 15 9am-3pm
  - June 18-20 9am-7pm

**Credit Card**

Charge by Mastercard, American Express and Discover cards. Visa cards are not accepted. Credit card payments are accepted online only by logging onto eSimson your CUNY Portal account at www.cuny.edu. There is a 2.65% processing fee.

#### Checks & Money Orders

Make all checks and money orders payable to LaGuardia Community College. Be sure to include the last four digits of your social security or ID number. There are four ways to pay by check or money order:

- In person payments can be made at the Bursar Window during regular business hours.
- Use the Drop Box located outside of the Bursar Window when the Office is closed. Envelopes are located above the Drop Box.
- Mail payments to Office of the Bursar, LaGuardia Community College, 31-10 Thompson Avenue, Room MB55 Long Island City, NY 11101.
- E-checks are accepted online. Log onto eSimson your CUNY Portal account at www.cuny.edu. No fees apply.

**Cash**

Cash payments are only accepted in person at the Bursar Window during regular business hours.

**Financial Aid**

Any financial aid appearing on your bill is estimated and subject to change. If your financial aid does not cover your entire tuition and fees, you must settle the remaining balance by the close of the business day as indicated on the Payment Due Dates schedule (see right).

### Third Party Vouchers

You must submit a voucher or an official letter from your employer or union to the Office of the Bursar by the close of the business day as indicated on the Payment Due Dates schedule (see right).

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- June 12 — 17 Thu. 06/19/12

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No tuition refunds after July 10, 2012.
Health Services Center May 2012 Events

**Child and Family Health Plus - Insurance Enrollment**

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<td>AIDS Center of Queens County Free HIV and STI testing</td>
<td>Wednesday, May 9</td>
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**Why I Want To Be An LAGCC Graduate**

*Tell Us and You Could Win an iPad!*

LaGuardia Community College students graduate at nearly double the national average for community colleges. That says a lot about your drive and independence, but it’s not enough.

**Dare to do more** and inspire your LaGuardia peers – tell us why you want to be an LAGCC graduate.

Submit a 300 word essay about what motivates you to keep moving towards your Associate’s degree. Whether it’s your hunger for new opportunities or family-centric values, tell us what has kept you going, what your plans are after LaGuardia and what being an LAGCC graduate means to you. We’re looking for creative and sincere stories.

The winning essayist will receive an iPad! Submit your essay with your full name, email and phone number by May 21, 2012. Essays and questions should be sent via email to Lillian Zepeda at lzepeda@lagcc.cuny.edu.

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**LaGuardia eCareer**

There are thousands of career options out there. How do you make a career choice when you are not sure what you want to do?

Get answers to your career questions and learn how to use LaGuardia eCareer tools and services in 30 minutes.

Sessions will be held in the Second Floor Lobby of the C Building. Space is limited – please come early!

- Thurs, May 3 10:00am – 10:30am
- Tues, May 8 12:00pm – 12:30pm
- Thurs, May 10 3:30pm – 4:00pm
- Mon, May 14 2:30pm – 3:00pm
- Tues, May 22 3:30pm – 4:00pm

Visit lagcc.cuny.edu/ecareer for more information. Follow LaGuardia eCareer on Facebook.

**The English Language Center’s Language Clinic Needs Volunteers**

Whether it’s as little as one hour a week to facilitate small group conversation or helping a student with writing homework, students at The English Language Center (TELC) can really use your help.

The English Language Center’s Language Clinic provides support for students in our intensive English program. Clinics are held Monday through Thursday from 1:00-2:00pm until mid June.

Mondays and Wednesdays are for work on writing skills, and Tuesdays and Thursdays are for small group conversation practice. Volunteers can choose to work one day or a full week.

The TELC Coordinator will match your abilities with the needs of a student. Our students come from many different countries and are highly motivated, enthusiastic and very appreciative of your help. Our previous volunteers have found it both rewarding and enjoyable. Plus, volunteering is great for your resume!

No experience is necessary; we will gladly provide guidance and training during our free orientation classes and throughout the semester. Please email Margaret Culhane at mculhane@lagcc.cuny.edu if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

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