

DARE TO DO MORE

Dear LaGuardia faculty and staff -

It looks like the Omicron wave of Covid in New York City is beginning to recede. Recent public health data is encouraging: according to the <u>Covid Tracker of *The City*</u>, the seven-day average positivity rate has fallen from 22% to 12%, and daily case rates per 100,000 residents have dropped by half since peaking in late December. Covid is still a risk, of course, and we have to continue to be careful, but these improving conditions give us hope.

One last reminder for tomorrow's Town Hall at 10 a.m. on Zoom. Please register <u>here</u>. This forum will address the latest COVID guidelines, plans for the spring semester, and concerns you have as we navigate this latest stage of the pandemic. Hope to see you there.

Random Testing: As Vice President Shahir Erfan noted yesterday, CUNY experienced a glitch that erroneously sent reminders for Random Testing to people who were not actually chosen for testing. VP Erfan has reached out to members of our community that are in fact due for testing. If you did not receive an email from him about that, no action is required on your part, and you can ignore that mistaken CUNY email if you received one. More information on the CUNY Random Testing program is available <u>here</u>.

<u>Student Vaccination Requirements</u>: The first key date for students approaches this weekend. Students receiving the Moderna vaccine must obtain their first dose by January 22. More time remains for students to receive the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine or the single-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine. See additional dates <u>here</u>.

<u>Above and Beyond Recognition</u>: Best of luck to the LaGuardia and Wagner Archives staff on tonight's 2022 Calendar Launch via <u>Zoom</u> at 6 p.m. This calendar on LGBTQ+ film in New York City is the product of research by LaGuardia scholars. And it reflects the filmmaking expertise of faculty members from LaGuardia and across CUNY. Congratulations to the project directors—Richard Lieberman, Stephen Weinstein, James Wilson, Allie Brashears, Soraya Ciego-Lemur—and to everyone involved!

Best wishes,

Kenneth Adams President

