Dear LaGuardia faculty and staff –

MEC faculty know intuitively that if this is Return to Campus #24 the first edition hit newsstands in late May. Wow. Time flies. Perhaps we can take this as a good sign: the RTCs are getting shorter. There is less to report. Here’s the latest:

**Administrative Withdrawals:** Last week students taking in-person and/or hybrid courses that did not comply with CUNY’s vaccine mandate received “WA” grades for those courses. Should you encounter a student that has questions about a WA grade or their vaccination verification, please encourage them to contact our Health Services Center at WAHealthCenter@lagcc.cuny.edu. Please also rest assured that students impacted have received multiple notifications and the same contact information for assistance.

**Vaccine Verification:** Assistance continues to be available on campus for fully vaccinated students to upload their vaccine documentation to CUNYfirst. Students may visit C-111 for help Monday and Thursday, 9 a.m.- 7 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Students that have not completed their vaccine verification are strongly advised to do so, which will allow them to access campus easily with their LaGuardia Mobile App I.D.

**Plans for Spring and Beyond:** Please remind students that CUNY’s COVID vaccination requirement will remain in place for the foreseeable future. Because 76% of LaGuardia classes in the Spring Semester will be in-person, and the remaining 24% will include hybrid classes, virtually all LaGuardia students will need to be fully vaccinated with their information successfully uploaded into CUNYfirst 10 days prior to the start of the semester. Since our spring classes commence March 5, students must upload documentation to the system by February 23. Mark your calendars and spread the word.

**Vaccine Mandate for CUNY Employees?** No word on this yet. Stay tuned.

**Questions/Concerns?** Come to my next Town Hall – Friday Nov. 12 at 10 a.m.

**Above and Beyond Recognition:** Each semester updating our course schedule takes a tremendous amount of effort, not only by our faculty, Academic Chairs and Provost, but also by our Registrar, Burhan Siddiqui. Burhan and his team certainly went above and beyond in updating courses for the spring, while also navigating the Administrative Withdrawal process. Burhan’s keen sense of detail and commitment to our students is fantastic.

Best wishes,

Kenneth Adams
President