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## **Focus on Student Retention**

#### How is BMCC addressing the issue?

- DFWI Initiative (e.g., Probation initiative)
- Freshmen Year Experience Initiative
- Creating Cohort experiences (e.g., Academic Advisement Pilot for freshmen, UMLA Business Academy and Healthcare Academy)
- Faculty Development (e.g., spring 2022 ACUE initiative)

## **Enrollment Update**

- Spring 2022: 5,234 headcount vs 7,380 last year (-10.6% as of Friday November 26th)
- Unvaccinated SP22 students 1,998 (38.2%)
- Winter 2022: 1,165 headcount vs 1,985 last year (-32.0% as of Friday November 26th)
- Unvaccinated WI22 students 453 (38.9%)

- There will be 2 mini sessions. Dates are:
  - Spring 2: February 7–March 23
  - Spring 3: March 28–May 24

## Vaccination Information

- Unvaccinated students enrolled for in-person and hybrid classes will be dropped from their classes before the semester begins.
- Drop Dates
  - Winter: December 20
  - Spring: January 14
- Communication plan for informing students of this vaccination guidance
  - Emails, texts, phone calls, hard copy letters, social media and classroom announcements
  - We currently have 400 unvaccinated students that are scheduled to meet in-person during final exam week (December 15-21)

# Repopulation and COVID Mitigation Measures

The NYC Mobile Vaccination bus came to BMCC on Oct. 28, Nov. 17 and 19. The Panther Pantry and Information Resources Technology provided on-site services with food distribution and helped students upload their vaccination verification on CUNYfirst.

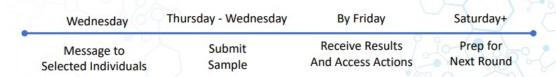
CUNY Random Surveillance Testing
Program Started on Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> for vaccinated employees and student accessing CUNY facilities. Complements CUNY's mandatory weekly testing for employees who have not disclosed their vaccination and students who obtained a vaccination exemption.



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Sample timeline



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Improved Indoor Air Quality (UVC Disinfection) All instructional spaces scheduled for spring 2022 will have an in-room UVC unit installed. Started phase II at secondary areas with high occupancy. As of today over 600 in-room UVC units have been installed by the Facilities team, with 600 more scheduled to be installed in the coming months.







## **Announcements**

Karen Wilson-Stevenson has been hired as Interim Vice President for Institutional Advancement. She brings a wealth of leadership, expertise, and hands-on experience in successful advancement department operations and relationship rebuilding and restructuring within the higher education and national non-profit communities.

On Nov. 17, BMCC partnered with **Trinity Church (Wall Street)** to host a Thanksgiving Food Distribution event on the BMCC campus. With the assistance from **Student Affairs**, more than **200** students went home with enough groceries to prepare a minimum of 15 meals (based on a family of four); a bag full of cleaning supplies; and, warm winter accessories (hats, gloves and a scarf).



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- At BMCC, advancing equity through the transformative power of education is the mission of many support programs designed to help Black and Latinx students achieve their goals. This year, BMCC is encouraging everyone to help fulfill this mission by contributing to the #CUNYTuesday fundraising campaign.
- #CUNYTuesday is a CUNY-wide initiative which coincides with National Giving Day, and BMCC is excited to welcome donations from employees, faculty, students, alumni and friends of the college to make a difference with our #CUNYTuesday funds. Contributing to #CUNYTuesday enables BMCC supporters to create impact with programs that have proven success and address significant needs.

Make a Difference.

Visit www.cunytuesday.org and find "BMCC" to make a donation.

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 For the fourth year in a row, a team of BMCC students has earned First Place in the Maiden Lane division of the College Fed Challenge, a college-level competition sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The 2021 BMCC team was mentored and led by **Business Management** Professors **Ioannis Tournas** and **Julian Schroeder**. This year's student participants included: Sydney Mills (Business Administration); Carlene Nelson (Small Business Entrepreneurship); Jiyei Noh (Accounting); Bernard Primicias (Financial Management); Alejandra Rodriguez (Financial Management); Ursula Stando (Business Administration); Deep Sukhadwala (Business Administration); Yiyang Sun (Business Administration); Giovanna Tomasetti-Rivas (Forensic Accounting); Danielle Watson (Communication); and Demi **Zhang** (Business Administration).

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

# THANK YOU QUESTIONS?