

To: Montgomery College Community
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Happy Friday. Well, the pace in April doesn't seem to be slowing at all. In fact, it seems to be accelerating. As we move into tax season, please keep up your guard against phishing attempts. We are being warned about one that appears to originate from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) but is a hoax. Some people with education markers in their email addresses (.edu) are being targeted, so please do not interact with this scam email, but [follow these instructions](#).

As we move into our second year of the pandemic, another wave of resources is available. Anyone needing support or guidance around [rental issues and landlords](#) during COVID should connect with the county. Students can also apply for [emergency funding](#) through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA). Please share this information with students so that no one misses an opportunity to get assistance for which they are eligible.

The summer [class schedules](#) are now online and enrollment opens Monday, April 5. There are several new resources to which I will draw your attention. In case students are new to MC, please share our virtual tutoring options, which are [easily accessible](#). Additional academic support is available to students through the Achieving the Promise Academy (ATPA). Students can connect with coaches for questions through a [new hotline](#).

Finally, the county executive visited the Germantown Campus on Wednesday to explore the new vaccine site at the Campus, which has delivered roughly 2,000 vaccinations in total in its first two days of operation. As I communicated, the site will ramp up to higher capacity as more doses are made available. MC employees who want to volunteer on their own time at the site may do so, but must follow the state's instructions for registration through the [Maryland Responds Medical Reserve Corps](#). [COVID test](#) and [vaccination registration](#) information is available for those who need it.

Please remember that masks are still a best safety practice—even if you are vaccinated—along with social distancing. Have a good weekend and stay safe.