

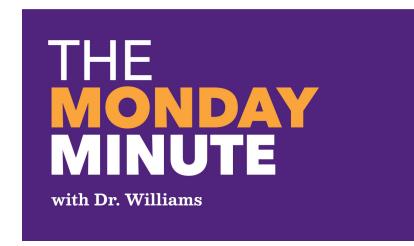
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Welcome to the fall semester! The start of a new academic year always brings fresh energy and possibility. This year promises innovation, opportunity, and extraordinary outcomes for us all. Let's make the most of every moment! If you are new to *Monday Minute*, this is my weekly message to students, faculty, and staff to highlight student success and celebrate some of the many wonderful things happening at MC.

Exceptional Education. Extraordinary Outcomes.

I am thrilled about our new brand, unveiled at last week's <u>Fall Convocation</u>. Our brand tells the story of who we are and where we are headed as a College. This refreshed identity—highlighted in this <u>video</u>—features a new logo and new tagline, "Exceptional Education. Extraordinary Outcomes." That really captures what we are about at MC! Convocation student emcees Ryan Jones, a Presidential Scholar and new Raptor Rep, and Tierney Acosta, an environmental horticulture major and student leader, energized the event. Alumnus Patrick Sasu Jr. reminded us of MC's lasting impact. Built from our community's voices, the brand reflects the passion and potential that define MC and the extraordinary outcomes our students achieve every day with the support of our awesome faculty and staff.

Resources to Help Students Thrive

Montgomery College supports every student's journey—at all our places and spaces. Need help with coursework? Visit our <u>Learning Centers</u> for tutoring, workshops, and virtual support. The Library offers

textbooks, <u>research supports</u>, and <u>Raptor Search</u> to guide your exploration. <u>Counseling and Advising</u> can help you connect your goals with the right opportunities. This fall, the <u>Mobile Market</u> returns with free fresh produce, and the <u>Mobile Health Center</u> provides affordable, student-focused care. For career readiness, our <u>Student Career and Employment Services</u> team offers job boards, resume help, and interview preparation. Wherever you are on your path, MC has resources to help you thrive.

MC Ranked #1 in Maryland

Montgomery College has been recognized once again as a state and national leader. In <u>WalletHub's annual rankings</u> published this month, MC placed first among all Maryland community colleges and seventeenth nationally out of more than 650 institutions WalletHub studied. This recognition highlights our strong student retention rates, credit for prior learning, and the high median salaries of MC graduates. Maryland was celebrated for having the nation's best community colleges, with five ranking in the top 40. That makes MC's #1 spot in the state—and top-tier national ranking—even more meaningful. These outcomes demonstrate the value of an MC education: exceptional education that leads to extraordinary outcomes.

With Raptor Regards,

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