

President's Corner



Good afternoon, Raptors. We have an exciting week ahead of us! Today's virtual Dr. Harry Harden Academic Excellence, Honors, and Scholars event will celebrate the extraordinary achievement in our midst. Commencement is on Friday, of course, our biggest event of the year! We'll be honoring 3,000 of our very own in the only virtual ceremony in our history. We will hear congratulations from notables such as Colin Powell, Jerome Williams, Anthony Fauci, and the graduates themselves. With family and friends joining the festivities, I promise you it will be a memorable one.

While our graduates prepare for the next phase of their journey, MC is doing the same. Thursday will be a virtual Conversation with Leadership. Much like our traditional town hall meetings have been, I'll answer questions submitted by students, faculty, and staff, about any topic. Make sure to get your questions in the mix by sending them to: ResilientMC@montgomerycollege.edu.

Finally, professional week is also special this year, with remote teaching as a focus. E-learning, Innovation, and Teaching Excellence (ELITE) has gathered some exceptional training materials plus some highly relevant speakers, who will address cultivating resilience, teaching and learning STEM on line, and "What You Should Know about COVID-19" by our own Dr. Collins Jones. Every one of us can benefit from more remote skills, so please make sure to participate. There is even a remote teaching [summer professional development institute](#) to help instructors prepare for Summer Session II and Fall.

The College has done some extraordinary work this semester and we deserve to celebrate our efforts while planning for the next phase. I hope to see you there!

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "DeRionne P. Pollard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

DeRionne P. Pollard, PhD

*We empower our students to change their lives, and we enrich the life of our community.
We are accountable for our results.*