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Welcome to the spring semester. For those of you who are returning, I hope you had a restful break. For those of you who are new, I know you will find a welcoming community here at the College.

I hope you saw the [message](#) on Friday that the College has extended spring registration through this Wednesday, January 24. This action was taken to provide more opportunity for students to get into classes since recent weather events affected access to in-person services. Starting on Thursday, January 25, students will follow standard procedures for requesting special permissions for late registration.

Student Resources: Financial Aid, Counseling, Tutoring, and More!

Welcome to our new and returning students. As you discover your passions at MC, there are many resources and people to support you on your journey. There is academic support through [counseling and advising](#), [Learning Centers](#), and [virtual tutoring](#). The [Achieving the Promise Academy's](#) coaching program provides even more intensive academic support, while library resources can be accessed by connecting with [librarians](#) on research matters, searching out [textbooks](#), or tapping into the Library's new [Artificial Intelligence research guide](#). Employment leads are available through our active [Student Career and Employment Services](#). The College's [Mobile Markets](#), a program in partnership with the Capital Area Food Bank, provide fresh fruits, vegetables, and other foods for students, employees, and community members at no cost. The first Mobile Market will take place on Wednesday, January 31, on the Germantown Campus.

I encourage students to check out [Student Life](#) for an exceptional array of clubs, organizations, and activities that will connect you to the College. These offerings are a great way to make new friends!

Faculty and Staff

I was pleased to see so much participation in ELITE's professional week sessions. The student-focused workshops on topics like microcredentials for skill gaps, creating interactive digital content, and

creating equity in the classroom were a vibrant snapshot of the consistent evolution of pedagogy. These opportunities for faculty and staff to expand their skills and deepen their effectiveness in the classroom reflect powerfully on our common commitment to student success. I know our faculty and staff will nurture a spirit of belonging in the classrooms, counseling offices, and everywhere at the College this week and all semester long.

MC Hosts Community Event on Policing

As we continue to evolve in our community's understanding of policing and equity, the College hosted a public conversation on community-informed policing at the Rockville Campus earlier this month. Led by MC Criminal Justice Professor Sonia Pruitt, director of the Community-Informed Policing Program (CIPP), the event also featured 22 police officers from the Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD), with insightful remarks from James Stowe, director of the Montgomery County Office of Human Rights. The event included some powerful discussions of how to balance equity and public safety in policing. I am grateful for the MC faculty facilitating this program, the collaboration of the MCPD, and the opportunity for civic engagement that this event created for our community.

With Raptor Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jermaine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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