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While students and faculty are enjoying a well-deserved spring break this week, the College remains open and ready to serve!

Staff Enrichment Day

Staff Enrichment Day this Wednesday offers dozens of engaging activities designed to educate, inform, and rejuvenate staff. With the theme of “Stronger Together: Transforming Tomorrow,” the program will empower your spirit. I often hear stories of how staff dedication has made a positive impact on colleagues, connected a student with a resource, or worked with an external stakeholder to strengthen our engagement with community partners. Thank you to the organizers of this event and thank you to all staff members for your commitment to the MC mission. I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday.

Celebrating Raptor Academic Wins

Congratulations to six talented Raptors who brought home top academic honors in the state from the Maryland Collegiate Honors Council Conference (MCHC) in Baltimore and national honors from Phi Theta Kappa (PTK). Three outstanding MC students won competitive awards at MCHC, showcasing their intellectual rigor and research: Evelyn Huang, for best poster and Aditya Binjariya for best research abstract. Also at MCHC, Madeleine Soenens won the Portz Award for Outstanding Honors Student at a two-year institution in Maryland.

Winners of prestigious national honors from PTK include Taian Chen, Olatomiwa Ogunkoya, and Eman Saqib. Chen and Ogunkoya were among just 22 incredible students nationwide selected as 2025 Hites Transfer Scholars. Saqib has been named a 2025 Coca-Cola Academic Team Silver Scholar, based on scores from the All-USA Academic Team competition, which had nearly 2,100 applicants this year. I’m so proud that these students are being highlighted for their outstanding achievements and their commitment to academic excellence and leadership.

Building Belonging Together

During March we recognize [Women’s History Month](#) and [Irish American Heritage Month](#). The Library is offering collections of relevant books, special podcasts, curated articles, and unique media presentations to explore both. Recognizing history and heritage months is essential as it honors the diverse cultures and histories that enrich our institution and our community, fostering a sense of belonging and respect.

With Raptor Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jermaine". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'J'.

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams

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