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One of LBCC's many members of the Class of 2019 – one of the largest graduating classes in College history.

Fall Semester registration is now open! Visit LBCC.edu to enroll and view Fall classes.



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

Was that a commencement, or was that a commencement?!

The Long Beach City College Class of 2019 will go down in history for many reasons. Not only because they are a talented and dedicated group of students, but because I expect them to be the largest graduating class in LBCC history! And they participated in what I consider to be one of the best commencement ceremonies I've attended in my career.

The crowd was excited, the faculty were proud, the platform party was happy, the students were giddy, the stage looked beautiful, and the amazing Commencement Committee was exhausted! Our Valedictorian Jay Frisher and keynote speaker Veronica Miracle gave inspiring speeches that spoke to all of us. These are signs of a job well done.

It was the largest graduating classes in college history with more than 2,200 students who are candidates for Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degrees, and more than 800 students who are candidates for Certificates of Achievement. Three thousand students off to a better future thanks to Long Beach City College.

To think that 825 students walked the stage and yet we completed the ceremony with thoughtful speeches, pomp and circumstance in less than 2.5 hours! Amazing! I hope our students had as much fun as I did.

I want to sincerely thank every member of the Commencement Committee and the numerous members of our Student Life, Facilities, IITS, Public Affairs and Marketing, and the Office of the Superintendent-President for pulling off a wonderful event for my most favorite day of the year.

And there's more wonderful news! Of the approximately 3,000 LBCC students: 249 achieved Honors (3,500 - 3,749 cumulative grade point average); 139 students achieved High Honors (3.75 - 3.99 cumulative grade point average); and 69 students achieved Highest Honors, a perfect 4.00 cumulative grade point average. This is also the third year in a row we have seen a great increase in those with a 4.0 GPA - from 14 in 2017 to 44 in 2018 to 69 students this year. Wow! This could not have happened without the hard work of our faculty.

So, now it's time to turn to summer. Time to relax, rejuvenate and reflect on how we can continue with this great work into next academic year and beyond. Faculty who are off for the summer – see you on College Day at PCC on August 23! Those who are here this summer, enjoy those Fridays off (I know I will)!

Thank you to each and every one of you for a record-breaking 2018-2019!





LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SEEKS NEW MEMBER

Applications to become a member accepted through July 8

The Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC), which oversees District bond projects, is seeking a new member to represent a Bona-Fide Taxpayers' Association. Applications are being accepted now through July 8.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and reside within the LBCCD boundary, which includes the cities of Avalon, Lakewood, Long Beach and Signal Hill. Applicants also need to be current members of a Bona-Fide Taxpayers' Association, which is any current and active organization that advocates for taxpayers. This would include any community or neighborhood association, business improvement district, city commission, or any other city-sponsored group that is active within the District boundaries.

The LBCCD Board of Trustees will be asked to approve the new member at its July meeting. The term of service for the new appointee is retroactive to

July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021. The COC has two mandatory meetings each year and may schedule others as needed. The next COC meeting date is Monday, August 12, 2019.

The COC oversees both Measure E, a \$440 million bond measure approved by the voters in 2008, and Measure LB, an \$850 million bond measure approved by the voters in 2016. Funds are used exclusively for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation or replacement of LBCCD facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for use by the District.

Complete information about the bond measures, the COC, and the application form can be found online at LBCC.edu/citizens-oversight-committee. Community members can call (562) 938-4540 with questions, including inquiries if your group qualifies as a bona-fide taxpayers' association.





CREATIVE MINDS

Child Development Center Students are Artists & Actors

It's been another exciting and memorable month for the Child Development Center (CDC) at the Pacific Coast Campus.

The CDC-PCC lobby was transformed into a gallery and filled with works created by the CDC students at the Annual Art Show Case in June. Paintings, drawings, pottery and more were all created by the Center's children who are between the ages 2 – 5. The art show successfully raised \$2,800 that will help fund the purchase of supplies and materials for classrooms and fund professional development training for the CDC-PCC team.

The CDC-PCC children were also featured in a public service announcement for Child360, a program that provides support, professional development, advocacy, research and community engagement in child development.

[Click here](#) to check out the PSA, which will be aired in Los Angeles commercial markets and social media.

To learn more about the CDC, visit LBCC.edu/child-development-center.



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GOLDMAN SACHS *10,000 SMALL BUSINESS* ALUMNI RECEIVES GREEN BUSINESS HONOR

ENVIRON ARCHITECTURE, a Goldman Sachs *10,000 Small Businesses* at Long Beach City College alumni, recently received the Green Business certification through the City of Long Beach Office of Sustainability.

The Long Beach City Council honored Environ Architecture, along with the 34 other Certified Green Businesses in the City of Long Beach, for their commitment to sustainable practices in their business in May.

Certified Green Businesses are required to meet specific measures in the categories of Transportation, Waste Reduction, Water Conservation, Pollution Prevention, and Energy Conservation.

Alan Burks, President and Director of Architecture of Environ, has been active in the Long Beach community by serving on boards of neighborhood associations, the redevelopment agency, the Downtown Long Beach Associates Economic Development Committee, and as a Commissioner of the Long Beach Cultural Heritage Commission. While Environ Architecture works on various types of residential and commercial architecture, Burks has particular expertise in urban design, adaptive reuse of historically significant buildings with emphasis on creating sustainable and innovative environments. Environ Architecture works to follow the same green practices they suggest to their clients.

Learn more about the Goldman Sachs *10,000 Small Businesses* at Long Beach City College at <https://social10ksb.com>.



Photo: LBCC Puente Team Vidal Vargas and Darya Myers (third and fourth from left) welcome Dean of Counseling Nohel Corral, Vice President of Student Support Services Dr. Mike Muñoz, Superintendent-President Reagan Ferragamo Romali, LBCCD Board of Trustees Vice President Vivian Malauulu, Trustees Dr. Virginia Baxter and Uduak-Joe Ntuk, and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Kathy Scott, to Puente's End of the Year Banquet.

PUENTE CELEBRATES

THE END OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

Twenty two Puentistas completed the LBCC Puente Program project successfully in Spring 2019 and received their Puente Program Certificates of Completion at the End of the Year Banquet on May 21.

LBCC Puente Program is a transfer program that provides students with support in their transfer-level English courses, offers academic counseling, and sets up their academic mentoring for them to ensure success throughout the year in Puente and through transfer.

Some of the highlights this year included LBCC Puente students participating in the fall semester in

Puente Southern California Motivational Conference that was hosted at the University of California, Riverside.

Puente students also participated in the fall Puente Noche de la Familia event, where students, their families, and their educational supporters came to LBCC to learn more about LBCC's academic transfer program and learned how to support their Puentista throughout the year in the Puente Program.

Puente students also visited UC Santa Barbara, UC Davis, and UC Berkeley in the Spring, before celebrating their success at the End of the Year Banquet.

RETURN OF

Programs celebrated at LBCC's Inaugural Career Technical Education Night



THE TRADES

More than 600 community members attended the first annual Career Technical Education (CTE) Night on May 17 at the Pacific Coast Campus.

CTE hosted this free, family-friendly event that included games, activities and demonstrations featuring Long Beach City College's CTE programs. CTE Night attendees were able to see the award-winning Robotics program in action, use the virtual reality welding machines, played "Red Light, Green Light" with the Electrical program's traffic signals, tasted Culinary Arts samples and healthy snacks provided by Nutrition & Dietetics, and walked through a mini car show with Automotive Technology.



2019

Commencement Ceremony

LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT CELEBRATES THE LARGEST GRADUATING CLASS IN HISTORY

More than 3,000 students to make up the class of 2019

It was the largest graduating classes in LBCC history this year with more than 2,200 students who are candidates for Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degrees, and more than 800 students who are candidates for Certificates of Achievement.





A few highlights from this year's Commencement Ceremony and re-cap of this academic year:

- More than 800 students participated in the annual Commencement Ceremony at Long Beach City College's Veterans Memorial Stadium on June 6.
- 249 LBCC students achieved Honors by earning a 3.500 - 3.749 cumulative grade point average; 139 students achieved High Honors (3.75 - 3.99 cumulative grade point average); and 69 students achieved Highest Honors, a perfect 4.00 cumulative grade point average.
- LBCC student Jay Frisher was selected as the 2019 Valedictorian. Frisher is a veteran The New York native came to Long Beach City College after tours with the U.S. Marines, to which he credits providing him with a different realization about life as a college student. His speech was to encourage his fellow students not to allow labels define their success.
- ABC7 broadcast journalist Veronica Miracle served as the keynote speaker and shared her story about her father who was sent to prison while she was in high school. She encouraged students to take charge and write their own story.
- Community member Loyd Wilcox represented the Long Beach City College alumni at the ceremony and presented his grandson, a fourth-generation Viking, his diploma.
- LBCC recognized its transfer students during a May 30 ceremony. Approximately 1,300 LBCC students transfer every year to four-year universities and colleges.
- More than \$1.2 million in scholarship funds was awarded to LBCC students at a ceremony on May 23.



Valedictorian Jay Frisher





Keynote Speaker Veronica Miracle





(Left to right) LBCCD Superintendent-President Reagan Ferragamo Romali, Ph.D.; LBCCD Trustee Dr. Virginia Baxter; LBCCD Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia; LBCCD Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk; LBCCD Board of Trustees Vice President Vivian Malauulu; LBCCD Trustee Doug Otto; Student Trustee Donnell Jones; and Ole the Viking.





LBCCD HIRES NEW SENIOR DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES PLANNING, CONSTRUCTION, AND OPERATION

Walter Johnson has more than 28 years in construction and facilities maintenance management

The Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) has appointed Walter Johnson as the new Senior Director of Facilities Planning, Construction, and Operation.

At Long Beach City College, Walter will lead the Facilities Department that includes campus construction and renovation, building maintenance, grounds and landscaping, custodial services, transportation, and related services of all District facilities.

Prior to his appointment with LBCCD, he served for more than four years as the Senior Building Maintenance Supervisor at Berkeley Public Library in Berkeley, CA. He has also served more than 10 years as the Director of Planning and Construction Management at Jackson State University in Mississippi. Throughout his 28-year career, Walter has managed more than \$800 million dollars in facilities and construction projects.

Walter obtained his associate degree in Business Administration from Coahoma Junior College, and a bachelor's degree in Marketing and Management from Jackson State University.

THE CLASSYS

Classified Staff Luncheon

Long Beach City College Classified Staff enjoyed the annual appreciation lunch at the Liberal Arts Campus, hosted by the Personnel Commission.





CONGRATULATIONS TO LBCC'S NEWLY TENURED FACULTY!

LBCC held a reception on May 15 at La Traviata to celebrate 33 colleagues becoming tenured faculty.

2019 NEWLY TENURED FACULTY

Shelley Barnes
 Chantel Bryant
 Nicholas Carbonaro
 Brennan Carr
 Ryan Carroll
 Carolyn Castano
 Mark Cipolla
 Rachel Coleman
 Jami Emigh
 Cindy Enrigue
 Cathy Fernandez

Sheri Galvanized
 Alexandre Hatlestad-Shey
 Tamara Hom
 Benjamin Jose
 Clarissa Leiva
 Brittany Lomeli
 Jamie Lopez
 Annahita Mahdavi
 Laura Mayuga
 Gerardo Monterrubio
 Jair Nepomuceno

Martha Pamintuan
 Colleen Peralta
 Lisa Roper
 Zoila Rosillo
 Elijah Sims
 Daren Smoley
 Vidal Vargas
 Kathleen Vokoun
 Conor Whelan
 Trisha Wilging
 William Wilson



LBCC LOVES LAKEWOOD

Lakewood Celebrates

Jeff Wood, Chief of Staff, Superintendent-President's office (far left) and Joshua Castellanos, Executive Director for Public Affairs and Marketing (far right) meet up with ABC Unified School District Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services Dr. Valencia Mayfield II (second from left) and ABC Unified School District Superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu (second from right) at the Lakewood Celebrates event.

Lakewood Concerts in the Park

Long Beach City College is proud to be a platinum sponsor for the city of Lakewood's annual Lakewood Concerts in the Park. Outreach representatives from LBCC will be present at this popular concert series for the rest of June and into August.

The next concert is on June 27 in Del Valle Park. Visit Lakewood's website for upcoming concert dates at www.LakewoodCity.org.



(Left to right): Jeff Wood, Chief of Staff, Superintendent-President's office; Marcia Parker, Senior Director, Community Relations and Academic Partnerships; and Outreach Peer Advisors Jackie Ramirez and Glenys Rodriguez.

MALE SUMMIT 2019



More than 300 students from Long Beach Unified School District and Long Beach City College attended the 2019 Male Summit held in LBCC's gym. The Male Summit strives to develop leadership, community, and cultural empowerment among young men of color through thoughtful dialogue and interaction with community mentors and leaders. Speakers include Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk and LBCC alum Chef "T" Visoth Ouk.

LBCCD Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk



LBCC Alum Chef "T"



Long Beach Unified School Board Member Dr. Juan Benitez





**PRIDE
PARADE**

*Long Beach City College Viking Ship sailed
through the Long Beach Pride Parade
on May 19.*



Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia (fourth from left) with LBCD students and Ole the Viking.



(Left to right): Vice President of Human Resources Gene Durand; LBCCD Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk; Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Kathy Scott; and LBCCD Trustee Doug Otto.





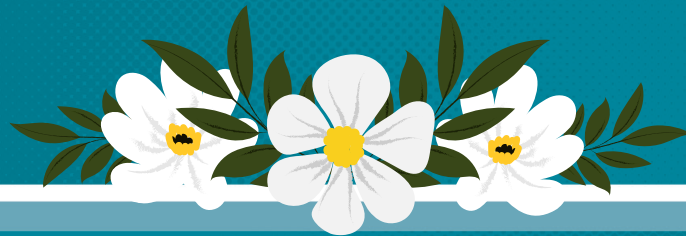
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THE COMEDY
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DIRECTED BY JEFF PAUL
WRITTEN BY JESSIE JONES AND DAVID BOTTRELL

JULY 25 – JULY 27 • AUG. 1 – 3
7:30 P.M.

JULY 28 & AUG. 4
2 P.M.



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(562) 938-4918 at least seven days prior to the event.

JULY

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 10

2019-2020 FEDERAL WORK-STUDY JOB FAIR | 11 A.M. – 2 P.M.
Building A Quad, Liberal Arts Campus

JULY 13

4TH ANNUAL 5K/10K RUN-WALK (BENEFITING LBCC CROSS COUNTRY AND TRACK & FIELD DEPT.) | 8 A.M.
Veterans Memorial Stadium, Liberal Arts Campus

JULY 24

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING | 5:30 P.M.
T-1100, Liberal Arts Campus

JULY 25–AUG. 4

DEARLY DEPARTED | 7:30 P.M. AND 2 P.M. (SUNDAY MATINEES)
Studio Theatre, Building H, Liberal Arts Campus

For more events and information, visit [LBCC.edu/calendar](https://lbcc.edu/calendar).

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**Viking Voices
Graduation:
Traci Salazar**



**Viking Voices
Graduation:
Ryan Vane**



**LBCC 2019
Graduation**



**Viking Voices:
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