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Memorandum

To: Academic Affairs Division

From: Dr. Deidre Price, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs/College Provost

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**Date:** January 21, 2025

Welcome back! Today marks faculty's return for spring semester, and we have professional week activities prepared for our division that provide a mix of updates, engagement with our colleagues, inspiration, and time for reflection and preparation for the start of classes next week, as shared in the memo dated December 19. Thank you to all who supported planning and development of the week's events.

To kick off the spring semester, we are sharing a video with enrollment updates and reflections on key initiatives within the division. We are also sharing a video that highlights the upcoming professional development opportunities designed for you by ELITE. Both recordings are available on-demand this week and can be accessed at the links below.

Academic Affairs Division Greetings and Updates: <u>https://youtu.be/nuw9ieyW2Pk</u> Office of ELITE Announcements: <u>https://youtu.be/9vEVxQXnT\_k</u>

All remaining spring division meetings will be held on **Wednesday, January 22**, at the following times and in the following modalities, with **links and locations noted in the attachments**:

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. / VP Meetings - Virtual 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / Dean Meetings - In-person 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. / Discipline Meetings - In-person

The professional development activities hosted by (<u>Professional Week | Montgomery College, Maryland</u>) will be held on Thursday, January 23, 2025. I encourage you to look at the offerings now, and register. In addition, as we approach MC's full upgrade to Blackboard Learn Ultra in Fall 2025, ELITE is here to support you every step of the way. Be sure to visit the Ultra <u>website</u> for updates, printable guides, and additional resources to assist with enabling Ultra, transferring content, and exploring its features. For assistance, email <u>UltraTransition@montgomerycollege.edu</u>.

Beyond the information from our division meetings and ELITE's professional development offerings, you will also receive more information throughout the week from various offices on campus to reinforce and enhance our team's continued preparation for students' return next week. We encourage everyone in our division to spend time this week refamiliarizing yourself with the College's resources to support students. Being prepared with information about how to direct students in need of such support is a way to share both help and hope as we engage with students at all phases of their academic journeys.

Thank you for all you do for our students.