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CEO *to* CEO

*From the desk of Dr. Walter G. Bumphus,
President and CEO*

Dear Tina,

There's no slowing down for the summer. Last week, we had a [major victory](#) when a Senate subcommittee reinstated year-round Pell Grants. We also had a successful meeting with members of AASA, continuing our work to increase college readiness. We're preparing for the upcoming John E. Roueche–Future Leaders Institute and the Presidents Academy Summer Institute. As we hurtle toward fall, we'll keep working to support you.



MUST READ

[“Strengthening the K-12, College Link”](#)

Members of AACC and AASA: The School Superintendents Association held their third meeting on college readiness last Friday. Read about the meeting [here](#).

[“Bicultural Backgrounds Shape Presidents' Views”](#)

Community college presidents who have immigrated to the U.S. from other countries feel their bicultural background helps them connect with the diverse populations at their colleges, according to this [Community College Daily article](#).

MUST DO

[Last Chance: Register for PASI](#)

The 2016 AACC [Presidents Academy Summer Institute](#) (PASI) is coming up quickly. Join AACC in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, July 16–19 for this professional development program for CEOs and presidents of member community colleges.

MUST KNOW

Asbury Park College Promise

A new Promise program has launched in New Jersey. The Asbury Park College Promise, set to begin this fall, will offer eligible high school students “last-dollar” scholarships for up to 64 credits toward a degree or certificate at Brookdale Community College. The program is funded by a \$240,000 grant from the nonprofit Jules L. Plangere, Jr., Family Foundation. [Learn more.](#)

AACC Dialogue on Doctoral Programs

This week, AACC hosted [a meeting](#) in Washington, DC, to discuss community college leadership with representatives from doctoral programs at Iowa State University, University of North Texas, Mississippi State University, National American University, Morgan State University, Old Dominion University, University of Florida, North Carolina State University, Fielding Graduate University, Oregon State University, Rowan University, and Ferris State University. Topics addressed include graduate program updates and synergies between AACC’s leadership development offerings and graduate programs.



Where's Walter

On June 6, I was pleased to address the American Association of Women in Community Colleges LEADERS program in New Jersey. I traveled to Houston, Texas, on June 11 to address the inaugural class of the National Council on Student Development’s Walter G. Bumphus Leadership Institute.



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Pictured: Participants of the inaugural class of the National Council on Student Development’s Walter G. Bumphus Leadership Institute.

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