Campus Update Workforce Development, Continuing Education & Strategic Partnerships

Dear Campus Community,

Please find below some updates and highlights regarding our work within the division.

Center for Career

Kingsborough was selected to participate in the Advancing Community Equity and Upward Mobility (ACE-UP) Community of Practice! This group, made up of 17 colleges and industry partners across the nation, will come together to design tangible strategies that align education and training, increase access to employment, and advance equitable employment outcomes. You can read the full press release here: https://skilledwork.org/news/ace-up-participants-announced/. Our industry/employer partners will be members of the Tech Advisory Board (Meta-Facebook, Boston Dynamics, Tribe AI, and Austin Urban Technology Movement). Diversity in tech is a prominent topic of discussion during our meetings. As such, we are excited to work on a project that could have a tangible and meaningful impact on programs and students. This team will be led by Dr. Simone Rodriguez, Alissa Levine and Jessica Cinelli.

Community Farm and Garden (CFG)

Currently, the farm and garden is closed for the winter and the remodeling project started this month. We look forward to sharing the new space with you. The volunteer days will resume in March and all interested should email: CFG.KBCC.CUNY.EDU for more information. In the Spring, we will start the CFG student club and finalize a new name (formerly the Community Cultivation Project) and elect officers. Interested students should email Emily.Agosti@kbcc.cuny.edu.

Faculty who want to reserve a class bed and use the farm as a lab space for growing or research can apply using the following

link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Xr3siAGrMnZ1678wm9nVp1Tn6C7uZlZ-187yiUslQ6M/edit?ts=6390cfce

Student CEWD Scholarship Fund

Please continue to support our students by donating

here: https://21409.thankyou4caring.org/online-donations then go to Designations and select Continuing Education "CEWD Scholarship". Our students send a big thank you.

Program and Partnership Updates

Students enrolled in the Continuing Education classes for Community Health Worker, Health Coach and EMT are now eligible to apply for **Tuition Assistance Program** (**TAP**) **for Workforce** to cover their tuition. We are working with the State and CUNY to offer this opportunity for other credentialed programs. For more information, please call (718)-368-5050. Eight (8) students graduated from the **CUNY Fatherhood Academy**'s 14th HSE/GED cohort and celebrated with an in-person ceremony, the first since the pandemic. Eleven (11) participants from cohorts 13 and 14, and their guests attended the event. Students will receive college and career readiness preparation and support and assistance with college enrollment and training opportunities over 10 weeks.

Strengthening Community Colleges program launched CompTIA A+ training on January 23. Thirty (30) students are enrolled in this 20-week training and (i)-olty Collge e Tm[car)4 hJMCID 27 BD 27 BD[

Fortnite ®, ROBLOX ® Makers & Coders, LEGO ® Films & Stop Action, Coding and more! Courses are geared towards children ages 8-14 with start dates varying between now and April 13. Visit link to see a full Winter/Spring schedule with pricing: www.blackrocket.com/online/king.