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Message from the College President, Patrick U. Tellei, EdD

To: PCC students, prospective students, employees, and the community

Re: Fall Semester 2020

Warm greetings to everyone and I hope this message finds everyone healthy and enjoying the summer break. This is to provide a quick update of what the College is doing in preparation for its fall semester 2020. Summer classes and programs will run until mid-July, facilities renovations and repairs are in progress, and the planning and organizing of the fall semester 2020 is ongoing with fall class schedule to be finalized in mid-July.

The College preparation for fall semester 2020 include the needs of the global pandemic (COVID 19), health safety and security of its students and employees, and students' academic accomplishment and success. Faculty are working hard this summer to develop distance education versions of their courses for students to have other learning methodologies available in the event the global pandemic continues and/or Palau will have a positive case. The different learning approaches being developed by the faculty is another way for the College to protect the health and safety of its students.

Palau Community College fall semester 2020 will continue to have regular traditional classes and other delivery approaches available to students. Fall semester registration will begin on August 3, 2020 with the first day of instruction as August 24, 2020. The different learning methodologies for fall semester 2020 are as follows.

Learning Methodologies

1. Distance Education:

▪ **Face-to-Face (in-person)**

Student learning takes place in the classroom in person meeting the instructor face-to-face.

▪ **Online**

Student learning takes place fully online.

- **Synchronous** – Students take the course fully online with scheduled date and time for required virtual meetings during the semester.
- **Asynchronous** – Students take the course fully online with no scheduled virtual meetings during the semester.

▪ **Hybrid**

Student learning includes face-to-face (in-person) and online with scheduled date and time for required face-to-face meeting during the semester.

2. Correspondence:

▪ **Self-paced Learning**

Student learning takes place away from the College campus in a different location. The College provides course instructional materials to the student by mail or electronic transmission. Course instructional materials includes required assignments, tests, projects and examination. Student learning is self-paced depending on student time and schedule. All required course activities must be submitted to the course instructor following dates and time indicated in the course syllabus. Student submits work to the instructor by mail, electronic transmission or in-person delivery by the deadline date. Interaction between the student and the instructor is not required throughout the semester; however, if need arises, student initiates the meeting by contacting the instructor to secure a meeting date, time and location.

Should there be any question/concern, you may contact the College Vice President Jay Olegeriil at 488-2470/2471 ext. 263 or Acting Dean Deikola Olikong at ext. 236. Thank you very much, stay safe and healthy.

Warm Regards,



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President