



Office of the President

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Dear Colleagues and Students,

In light of the recent immigration enforcement actions taking place across California, we want to take a moment to recognize the fear and uncertainty that many in our community may be feeling. These moments can stir deep anxiety, especially for those who are directly or indirectly impacted.

At Cerritos College, we are a community built on mutual respect and a deep commitment to one another, especially during difficult times. We come from many places, speak many languages, and represent a wide range of experiences. What unites us is our belief in the power of education to transform lives and in the dignity and worth of every person on our campus.

We want to be clear. We unequivocally stand with our students, our staff, and our families. We remain committed to our principles of inclusion, equity, and compassion. Our college is, and will continue to be, a place of learning, safety, and belonging for all.

Cerritos College never asks about immigration status. We do not cooperate with enforcement actions on our campus without proper legal authority, in accordance with our legal obligations. This has been and remains our policy.

During times like these, it is more important than ever that we hold on to our shared values and support one another. We are strongest when we stand together, when we lift each other up, and when we remember that we are not just a college. We are a community.

If you or someone you know is in need of support, please reach out. Our resources remain available to help navigate this moment, and we will continue to ensure that our campus remains a welcoming and supportive environment for all. Below are a few of the resources available to you:

Campus Resources & Support

- [Know Your Rights / Wallet Card](#)
- [CHIRLA Legal Services](#)
- [UndocuFalcon Scholars Program](#)
- [Mental Health Services](#)

External Resources

- [ACLU Know Your Rights](#)
- [ILRC Know Your Rights](#)
- [CHIRLA](#)

Sincerely,
Mariana Pacheco
Board President

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