



Office of the President

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Dear Colleagues,

Today is a day of reflection and resolve. On September 11, 2001, our nation suffered unimaginable loss. In the years since, one truth has endured: when we stand together, we find strength, hope, and healing.

At Cerritos College, we carry that lesson forward every day. Each moment on our campus is a chance to show up for one another with compassion, respect, and care. This is how we honor the memory of 9/11 by choosing unity over division, kindness over indifference, and support over isolation.

On days like today, we are reminded of what makes our community special. We are a family of educators, and students who show up for each other even when times are hard. We lift one another, we protect one another, and we build together. That is the Falcon way.

May this day remind us that our greatest power is not in what we stand *against* but in what ***we stand for***, we stand for our students, for our colleagues and for each other. United by a single purpose, we can transform lives. That is how we honor the past and build a future worthy of those we remember.

One College. One Purpose. One Community. Together.

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