Campus Community Public Safety Upgrades and Planned Initiatives

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To The Campus Community,

The Health and Safety of the college community is of the upmost importance. In August, I shared our summer Facility and Public Safety summer upgrades and thought it was best that I reinforce what we have been doing to maintain the safety of our Students, Faculty and Staff.

The following steps have been taken to increase campus safety and security and our planned future projects:

Upgrades:

- Installation of a new pedestrian walkway booth:
- Utilized to properly screen individuals coming onto campus at our main gate and our north gate
- Installation of Electronic Safety Arms at the Main and Northgate:
- To provide access to patrons who are affiliated with the campus and provide additional controls in monitoring campus access
- Tap Card Readers for campus access:
- Enhances identifying all vehicles and pedestrians attempting to gain access onto the campus.
- Key card readers:
- A valid KCC ID card is needed to gain access to various on campus locations.
- Additional Cameras:
- Installed 73 new cameras, replaced and repurposed various cameras throughout the campus to enhance security and assist with investigations.

• Updated Matrix Alarm System:

- Fully functional high-quality alarms which include:
- 1. Interior/Exterior emergency pull-boxes.
- 2. Panic alarms in various offices.
- 3. Roof doors.
- Increased Public Safety Personnel & Vehicles:

- 1. Enhanced Public Safety personnel/EMTs to abet in safeguarding the campus community.
- 2. Purchased two (2) new vehicles to aid in responding to calls for assistance.

• Training:

- 1. Provided First Aid, CPR/AED and "Stop the Bleed" to KCC staff members.
- 2. Increased Floor Wardens to assist with drills and emergency evacuations.

Future Projects:

- Visitor Badging (Guest Policy):
- Implementing a visitor badging system to ensure visitors are identified and processed through a single, automated system. The system will allow for the taking of picture ID badges that must be worn by all visitors and guests

• Turnstiles:

- Adding additional turnstiles in the library entrances to ensure the safety and security of library patrons and staff.

• Tap Station (Northgate)

- Adding a new ID Tap System for pedestrians entering via the Northgate will enhance identifying all individuals attempting to gain access onto the campus.

• Emergency Pull boxes Campus wide:

- Upgrading the appearance of the pull boxes with identifiable Public Safety markings/logos.

• Staffing:

- Increase Public Safety personnel in a continued effort to ensure the safety of the campus community.

• Training for the campus community:

- Provide Active Shooter Hands- On training for faculty, staff and students.
- Host workshops to include the following trainings;
- 1. First Aid, CPR and AED.
- 2. "Stop the Bleed".

• Campus wide Surveys:

1. Conduct Risk Assessments to identify and address any safety concerns.

- 2. Identify lighting conditions throughout campus to rectify poorly lit areas.
- 3. To ensure proper maintenance of Panic Alarms, pull boxes and emergency phones are addressed in a timely manner.
- Renovation:
- **1.** Complete approved renovations and ventilation system of the primary Public Safety Office (L202).
- 2. Create a more accessible area for accessibility students and staff.

As we enhance existing and implement new measure, as always, do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,

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