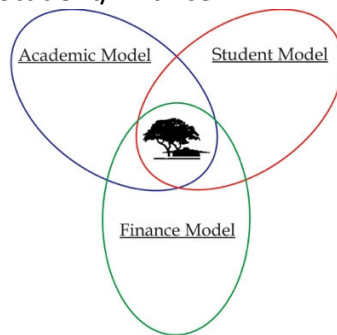

From: Bernadine Chuck Fong <fongbernadine@fhda.edu>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 12:50 AM
To: foothill
Subject: The holiday season....

Hope you enjoyed a warm and wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and weekend as we begin our holiday season. Again, this is a reminder and invitation to attend the **celebration luncheon** to express our appreciation for our front line colleagues on **December 3rd at our Campus Center Plaza, around 12:30**, following the **district's in person "Emerging from the pandemic" Town Hall at De Anza's Campus Center Patio from 10:00-12:00**. (Don't forget to rsvp to your respective calendar invitations).

Because we do not want to be too premature or overly optimistic about the continuing effects of the pandemic which seem to change daily in other parts of the country or the world, we are planning for Winter quarter to be a transition quarter to returning to campus in the spring. I have asked the deans to begin thinking about how to develop a comprehensive on campus spring schedule that serves students' needs, particularly GE requirements.

Again, looking at this model of Academic/Student/Finance:



we are identifying what is in the best interests of our students, our academic and support programs, and our affordability. Accordingly, we are about to identify new faculty positions which will be filled for the fall; we are focusing on a "campus clean-up" schedule; and we are scheduling more and more events on campus to bring students and the community-at-large back. We will continue to have a mix of in person and online offerings, but the emphasis will be in revitalizing in person/hybrid instruction and contact with students as that same synergy cannot be replicated in a Zoom classroom, as least that has been my experience when teaching.

Also, if you find yourself needing to drive up onto campus to move back, etc., please call the dispatcher at Campus Police and let them know beforehand, to avoid any ticketing of unmarked cars.

Best regards,
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