

Citrus Community College District 1000 W. Foothill Blvd., Glendora, CA 91741



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Dear Campus Community,

I am writing you this morning with a heavy heart. This past Saturday, at a time when many family members and friends were celebrating the Lunar New Year, a mass shooting in Monterey Park tragically took the lives of 10 people and injured 10 more from our nearby communities. Our Citrus College family includes many students, faculty and staff from Monterey Park and cities throughout the San Gabriel Valley. Our hearts are with the victims, their families and all those affected by this senseless act of violence.

At Citrus College, we are committed to creating and sustaining a community that is safe and free of hate and violence. We recognize that many in our Asian American and Pacific Islander communities are experiencing sadness and suffering, and we stand with you.

The Langley Senior Center in Monterey Park is offering counseling, support and reunification for the community. In addition, Citrus College has resources in place to support our students, faculty and staff.

Students can schedule a telehealth or in-person appointment at our Student Health Center by calling 626-914-8671. For more information on mental health and wellness services offered by the college, please visit <u>www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrv/healthcntr</u>.

Support is also available for all faculty and staff. Employees are encouraged to access the Employee Assistance Service for Education Program (EASE), offered through the Los Angeles County Office of Education. For more information on the resources that are available to employees through EASE or to access confidential wellness and counseling support, please call 800-882-1341.

As we begin this week and continue to celebrate Lunar New Year, let's continue to show compassion and support each other as we work together to strengthen our community.

Greg Schulz, Ed.D. Superintendent/President