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Thank you to everyone who participated in the wonderful ribbon cutting at the East County Education Center on Saturday! Students are enrolled there, classes are in progress, and the community is engaged. It was a terrific chance to celebrate with our stakeholders who have put so much energy and planning into the project.

Student Opportunities

There are several student opportunities this week, including a Mobile Market on Wednesday at the Germantown Campus. Impact MC students will share their final community impact projects on Friday with projects aimed at creating change on our campuses. Their topics are important to all of us: mental health in the media, reducing waste and saving funds, and the importance of mental health resources and wellness spaces. Another learning opportunity is this week's lecture on Taiwan's Past, Present, and Future, which comes from the MC Department of History and Political Science, in collaboration with the Rockville Sister Cities Corporation. I hope that you will engage with some of these fantastic opportunities focused on learning, civic engagement, and international understanding.

Love of Teaching Conference

The theme of this year's <u>Love of Teaching</u> conference is "Passionate Teaching: Igniting the Love for Learning." The event strikes at the heart of our collective passion for education and our commitment to fostering student success. Passionate teachers are dedicated to their students' growth, and they foster environments that encourage curiosity, critical thinking, and creativity. Passionate teachers also find joy in witnessing the progress of their students, celebrating their successes, and supporting them through challenges. I appreciate the dedication that all our faculty exhibit in propelling students to discover their passions. I hope this Saturday's event will nurture your spirit.

New Manufacturing Facility at PIC MC on the Germantown Campus

The ecosystem of learning and innovation is growing with the arrival of the Hughes Network Systems manufacturing facility on the Germantown Campus. On Friday we will celebrate a ribbon cutting at the site, bringing together partners who have supported this venture over the last several years. The official opening of this facility creates new opportunities for students in high demand fields and demonstrates our shared commitment to workforce development. As part of the Pinkney Innovation Complex for Science and Technology at Montgomery College (PIC MC), Hughes' presence will provide student internships and mentorships, and help build the pipeline to high-tech careers.

With Raptor Regards,

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