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Planning for the future is key to unlocking your full potential, and this week presents several important opportunities for students to support their journeys. From academic advising to civic engagement, these events are designed to help you thrive both in and beyond the classroom.

### **Advising Day Empowers Your Academic Path**

[Advising Day](#) is tomorrow! This is a special day for students to engage in program advising tailored to majors across the College at all three campuses and the East County Education Center. With panel discussions, transfer information, and individual advising appointments, Advising Day is designed to support your educational journey and set you up for success. I encourage students to take advantage of this opportunity to connect with program advisors and explore your future transfer and career opportunities, and I extend my gratitude to faculty and staff who work so hard to make this day possible.

### **Civic Engagement Thrives with Humanities**

This week, we are celebrating [Humanities Days](#) with events and activities that highlight the role of humanities in enriching our academic and personal lives. This year's theme, "The Humanities, Striving to Uplift and Unite in Times of Upheaval," emphasizes the power of humanities to foster connection during challenging times. Co-sponsored by the Paul Peck Humanities Institute and the Global Humanities Institute, this series of events celebrates the vital roles that the humanities play in a robust, democratic society.

### **Alcus Family Gift Deepens Success**

I am thrilled that a generous commitment from MC donors Mary Pat and Darren Alcus has established the Alcus Family Endowed Athletic Scholarship, the College's first endowed scholarship for student-athletes. MC's soccer field will now be named [Alcus Field](#) in acknowledgement of this generous support. The Alcuses have already made a significant impact on the lives of students at Montgomery College through their support of the Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success (ACES) program. This gift will provide life-changing opportunities for student athletes empowering them to achieve their academic and athletic goals.

With Raptor Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jermaine". The letters are cursive and fluid, with a prominent initial 'J'.

Dr. Jermaine F. Williams

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