#BCCCONNECT is Back!
Monday, February 3

The first spring semester issue of our student-focused enewsletter, #BCCCONNECT, will hit all BCC email accounts on Monday. It’s your go-to place for essential college information, profiles of your classmates and other fun reads. Watch for a text message saying “CONNECT to cash for your books” – that will be your alert that the latest issue of #BCCCONNECT has found its way to a smartphone, tablet or laptop near you. Open it and enjoy!

Library Workshops

Throughout the spring semester, the Library Department is offering workshops that will enhance student success in research for their classwork. OCD credit is available to all workshop attendees. This week’s workshops will be held in North Hall [NL], 210.

Tuesday, February 4
10 – 11 a.m.

Going Green with Your Research. Box is a simple service that gives you space to save your research materials, write your papers and co-edit documents with fellow students. This workshop is designed to show students how to use Box cloud space to save and organize research materials.

Thursday, February 6
2 – 3 p.m.

Be a Research Mix Master. Have you ever struggled to incorporate outside sources into your research paper? This workshop will discuss how to paraphrase and quote from books and articles in your writing. Being a great research mix master includes using outside scholarly information and giving credit where credit is due.

Friday, February 7
10 – 11 a.m.

Library Media Resources. Looking for new ways to better prepare your class presentations and papers? Consider adding media. The library can provide access to an impressive number of media sources. In this exploratory session, you will learn about exciting sources for images, music and film, with tips for incorporating media into your project.

For more personal instruction, please contact Ena Harrysingh at 718.289.5347 or ena.harrysingh@bcc.cuny.edu to make an appointment with one of the reference librarians.

TIAA-CREF Financial Counseling
Thursday, February 6, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., in South Hall [SH], Room 112B

Let TIAA-CREF help you make financial decisions that are right for you. To schedule an appointment with representative Clement Akintomide, please call Maxine Jones at 800.842.2733, ext. 232461 or visit www.tiaa-cref.org.

Affordable Care Act Assistance
Thursday, February 6, 12 - 3 p.m., in Roscoe Brown Student Center [BC] Lobby

Take advantage of the Affordable Care Act. The Office of Health Services will have representatives from the NYC Office of Citywide Health Insurance Access (OCHIA) on campus to help students enroll in health insurance before the March 31st deadline.

SHARE Food Distribution
Monday, February 10

SHARE (Self Help and Resource Exchange) is open to all BCC students and the community. For $20 (or less) and two hours of community service, participants receive packages of high quality food worth $35 - $45, depending on the package ordered. February orders must be placed by Monday, February 10. Visit www.sharefoodprogram.org to view the menu selections, click on the “Order Online” button and follow the simple instructions – or call Dr. Atlaw Belilgne at 718.289.5971. Food distribution will be on campus between February 20 and 22. Bon apetit!

Black History Month Film
Monday, February 10, 12 – 1 p.m., in North Hall [NL], Room 210

Cracking the Codes: History, Identity and Culture, 14:20; Unconscious Bias, 6:56; Systems of Inequity, 7:56; Moving Forward. This film attempts to disentangle internal beliefs and pre-judgments on racism and its complex interplay between personal, institutional and systemic environments in our daily lives. LaRoi Lawton, Assistant Professor in the Library Department, will moderate a short discussion following the film. Seating is limited to 30 participants. To reserve your seat, contact ena.harysingh@bcc.cuny.edu. This event is free and open to all BCC students and can be used for OCD credit.
Save the Date
Thursday, February 13, 12 - p.m., in Gould Memorial Library [GM] Auditorium

All faculty and staff are invited to join the Office of Student Life in welcoming our new freshman and transfer students at Freshman Convocation. Be inspired, get informed.

Student Scholarships
For assistance with applying for any scholarship, please visit Colston Hall [CO], Room 528. For more information on these and other scholarships, please visit the BCC scholarship website at: http://www.bcc.cuny.edu/scholarships/?page=Scholarship_of_the_Week.

The CollegeWeekLive $1,000 Scholarship Contest is open to students who register and login to CollegeWeekLive events. Get college application tips and advice online at CollegeWeekLive, the world’s largest college fair. CollegeWeekLive revolutionizes college admissions, making the process easier by saving you time. Your chances of winning increase each time you attend an event. Please visit www.collegeweeklive.com/fastweb for additional information.

The New York Needs You Fellows Program is an intensive program for high-achieving, low-income, first-generation college students. The two-year program offers 200 students (Fellows) career development workshops, access to internships and professional development grants. All Fellows are matched one-on-one with a successful and motivated “Mentor Coach” dedicated to their personal and professional growth. Mentor Coaches and Fellows work together to cultivate the Fellows’ strengths and interests, and direct them into successful careers. Scholarship deadline is Thursday, February 20, 2014. Visit www.newyorkneedsyou.org/apply for more information.

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation (CBCF) Congressional Internship Program is an intensive nine-week summer program which offers the opportunity for college students from across the nation to learn about the legislative process, leadership and careers in the policy-making process. Interns work in CBC member offices, attend professional development events and participate in leadership development projects. The program prepares young people to become informed decision makers and influential leaders who shape our world. Application deadline is Friday, February 21, 2014. Visit http://cbcfinc.org/congressional-internship-program for more information.

Quote of the Week
“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela (1918-2013), South African Anti-Apartheid Revolutionary, Politician and Philanthropist; First Black President of South Africa.