Dear Union County College Community,

Always one of the most important days of the year at the College, today would have been our Spring Commencement. While we may not be able to be together to celebrate in person today, we are so proud of each of you for your hard work and for persevering this semester during these extremely unusual and difficult circumstances. I offer you, your family, and those who helped you reach this achievement my sincerest congratulations.

I note new information in RED below.

# Spring 2020 Graduates

I know this isn't how we planned to spend the day of Commencement, but I wanted to have the opportunity to speak to you and for you to hear from your faculty & staff. Please view the video <u>here</u>. While our spring ceremony has been postponed, we are considering options for celebrating our graduates, e.g. virtual commencement.

If you are a Spring 2020 graduate and would like a *lawn sign*, please email <u>classof2020@ucc.edu</u> and let us know your address and contact number and it will be delivered to you! If you already requested a sign, you will receive it soon.

Please email <u>classof2020@ucc.edu</u> a photo with your name, major, town of residence, and plans for next year (the four year college you plan or hope to attend, work, military, etc.).

# **Financial Aid**

As a reminder for continuing students, please complete your 2020-2021 FAFSA! Visit <u>www.fafsa.gov</u>. The deadline to apply for state aid is June 1.

## **Register for Summer Online**

*Summer I classes start on Tuesday, May 26.* Login to <u>Self-Service</u> to register. Take advantage of a summer at home and get closer to graduation!

### **Student Needs**

If you have any basic needs issues: internet, food, or anything else, please contact our social worker LeeAnn Trott at <u>leeann.trott@ucc.edu</u> or 908-591-8408.

If you require any other assistance, please call 908-709-7000. This line is being monitored by staff Monday through Friday from 8am-5:15pm. If your call is not answered, please leave a brief voicemail with your name and phone number and your call will be returned.

### **Employees**

We are here to help. If you or your family is having difficulty, please contact Karlene Rambaran in HR at 908-709-7144.

As a reminder, Memorial Day is Monday, May 25 so we return to regular working hours next week, Tuesday – Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Our Sewing Brigade is in search of a loaner sewing machine. A team member's sewing machine has broken down, and they would appreciate anyone who would be willing to lend a machine. Please contact Susan Matika at <u>matika@ucc.edu</u> if you are able to help.

Sincerely,

Dr. Margaret M. McMenamin President