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WELCOME, OCTOBER!

The fall semester is in full-swing, and STRIVE has some great opportunities to learn, grow, and connect with your peers and mentors this month!

Read on for information on scholarship opportunities, transfer trips, STRIVE social hours, theater performances, and more!



Our **October Social Hours** are going to be a blast! Please join us on Thursday, October 18, from 1:00-2:00pm, for some games in DON 171. And come get into the Halloween spirit and paint a pumpkin with us on Wednesday, October 31 from 11:00-12:00pm in DON 368.

SAVE THE DATE!

- October 10: HCC is holding a **Transfer College Fair** from 10-12 in KC 301/303
- The **MassTransfer application deadline** is October 15— for students who are planning to transfer to a state college or university for Spring 2019. Students can contact their STRIVE counselor if they have questions or need help.
- **STRIVE Social Hours** will be October 18 and October 31. See page 1 for more details.
- **Priority Registration** for Spring 2019 opens Wednesday, October 24 and runs through November 9th. Remember to set up a time to meet with your counselor!
- **Math Mini-Prep** classes for MTH075 will be offered October 23-November 2 in DON 152, 2:30-6:30pm. (MTH085 and MTH 095 will be offered November/ December. Sign up in the Math Center, DON 246.

Transfer Trip to UMass Amherst

STRIVE will be offering a transfer trip to UMass Amherst on **Sunday, October 21** for one of their Fall Visit Days! UMass' Fall Visit Days offers prospective students and their families the opportunity to learn more about the Commonwealth's Flagship Campus. Students and families will have an opportunity to tour the campus, connect with representatives from Admissions, and learn more about the UMass Amherst experience. Interested students can sign up by clicking [HERE](#) or contact Monique for more information: (413) 552-2611, or mnelson@hcc.edu



STRIVE's **SHOUTS Mentors** will be participating in HCC's 2nd annual "**Trunk or Treat.**" Sponsored by HCC's Education Club, Trunk or Treat offers a fun, safe alternative to trick-or-treating. **On Friday, October 26, from 5:30-6:30,** come in costume to Bartley Parking Lot R to check out decorated car trunks full of candy and other treats!

Upcoming Theater Performance at HCC!

*Keep an eye on your email for more information on a STRIVE group trip to HCC's performance of **Lin Manuel Miranda's "In The Heights."** Before his "Hamilton" became a Broadway phenomenon, Lin-Manuel Miranda wrote "In the Heights," a Tony-award winning musical celebrating Hispanic culture, music and dance. The Holyoke Community College Theater Department, in collaboration with Mount Holyoke College, will bring "In the Heights" to the stage for a full-scale production this November.*



Did you know that as a STRIVE student, you have access to weekly appointments with learning coaches, math tutors, and writing tutors? If you're struggling with math classes, writing assignments, time management, or study and organizational skills, STRIVE has coaches and tutors available to help! Sign up for services in the STRIVE office, or make an appointment to talk with your STRIVE counselor to decide what kind of help is right for you!



- *The STRIVE SHOUTS Mentor Program will be hosting an October workshop, "How to be a Successful Student." Keep an eye out for a date and location: hope to see you there!*
- *There will be an upcoming workshop on Thursday, November 15th at 11:00 a.m. on "Credit Management" (Financial literacy) with THRIVE/STRIVE. Flyer and more information to follow.*
- *The Big Y Scholarship application process opens on November 1 (with a submission deadline of February 1). Details will be in the November newsletter.*