Colleagues,

We are getting closer to GoLive with PeopleSoft and the other technology applications of ctcLink! I am tremendously proud and inspired by the significant effort and time people throughout the college have committed to making sure our GoLive is successful! Briefly, I describe what has been happening below:

- **Business Services, Economic and Community Development, Human Resources, Office of Instruction, and Student Affairs just completed the fourth round of data validation.** Two more rounds of data validation are forthcoming later this month and in July. Data validation requires people from departments to make sure the data have converted from our current HP3000 (Legacy system) to PeopleSoft accurately.

- **The Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) ctcLink staff were at Clark College all last week working with the Office of Instruction, Registration, and Credentials to build the requirements for each course we offer.**

- **Business Services, Human Resources, and Student Affairs are conducting the first round (sprint) of User Acceptance Testing.** User Acceptance Testing is organized into six two-week 'Sprints' where users are trained in the new system and then test steps within a specific business process in that new system. User Acceptance Testing (UAT) helps a college user gain a better understanding of how to use the new system, e.g., PeopleSoft. UAT also allows departments to work with each other, testing how the changes in one area of the system will impact other areas of the system. Users are able to explore the new features and determine how best they can use them to streamline or improve how they do their work. In short, UAT allows system users to use the system BEFORE it is deployed and collaborate with their fellow employees on how it may change the way they do business today.

I am amazed by the fact that this level of work is occurring by so many and we are still getting the normal college business work done. **Please join me in thanking as well as offering patience to our colleagues in Business Services, Economic and Community Development, Human Resources, Office of Instruction, and Student Affairs for the myClark ctcLink work and their regular work, not to mention the Guided Pathways work!** They are certainly doing a very heavy lift!

Clark College's myClark ctcLink leadership team has been very busy in working with the State to ensure the deployment is as successful as possible. In some cases, Clark College has had to advocate for improvements to best serve our students and community. Listed below is an update about some of these matters:
- Clark College's GoLive date will remain October 28, 2019. This decision will be finalized next week by the state's ctcLink governance.

- The SBCTC ctcLink project leadership team is reassessing the best way to provide functionality for continuing education.
- The assessment and improvement of PeopleSoft accessibility for employees and students who use assistive technology, e.g., screen readers, is rising in priority level.
- The need to improve the coordination, at the state-level, between 1) student financials/student financial aid and 2) finance is being addressed.

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