

June 4, 2020

Dear Norco College Students,

We as faculty are heartbroken and outraged about the brutal actions against Black lives. We are strongly and vehemently against police brutality and racial injustice. We condemn the murders of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, and the countless Black lives lost throughout the history of our country. We fully support and stand with our Black community whose lives, health, safety, and futures are intimately impacted and who have faced ongoing systemic racism. We hear your anger, your grief, your uncertainty and your fear.

We do not and will not ignore the realities of racial injustice at the core of our institutions and our country. We do not and will not support the kinds of abuses of power that have historically targeted our Black community. Ongoing systemic racism has deep roots within our nation and in the history of educational institutions as well. As educators, we must face the reality of racial injustice and dismantle systems complicit in upholding racism.

In a time of inconsolable pain about issues of personal safety and human dignity, we see you, respect you, and love you. We celebrate you for all you are and all you do. We commit to recognizing and valuing your lived experiences, perspectives, and contributions in the classroom and beyond. We commit to listen, uplift, and amplify your voices as we create change within our campus. You are a vital part of this college and this community, and we are honored to be a part of your journey.

As we heal together, we commit to an inclusive culture and opportunities for authentic and intentional dialogue with our campus community and especially members of our Black community. We will take action and unroot, disrupt, and dismantle the racism within our institution and communities.

Standing together for justice,

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