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Student Trustee Report

City Colleges of Chicago Board Meeting

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Last week, Malcolm X College hosted a Know Your Rights Workshop in partnership with the HANA Center. The session helped students learn about their legal rights, how to interact with law enforcement, and what to do in critical situations. About 25 students attended, and many shared appreciation for the helpful information and resources provided.

Also last week, Kennedy-King College, together with the Greater Chicago Food Depository, welcomed Mayor Brandon Johnson, Governor J.B. Pritzker, Chancellor Juan Salgado, and other leaders for an important discussion on food insecurity. I was grateful to be part of that meaningful conversation about supporting our students' basic needs.

Kennedy-King's Tech Launchpad was also named one of the Top 100 Finalists for the 24th Annual Chicago Innovation Awards out of 315 nominees. This recognition highlights the amazing work and innovation happening across City Colleges.

On September 20th, Olive-Harvey College hosted the #SeePurple Community Bike Ride sponsored by Divvy and SGA. Students, faculty, and community members came together to connect, share information, and show campus pride while biking through the Pullman community.

Across our campuses, SGAs are finding new ways to keep students informed and engaged, like sharing Know Your Rights cards and launching SGA Bucks, a program that rewards students for participation and involvement. It began at Kennedy-King and is already inspiring interest at other campuses.

I'm proud of the collaboration and dedication our students continue to show across all City Colleges. Together, we are building stronger, more connected campuses where every student feels supported and seen.

Thank you.