

# **Weekly Newsletter**

#### September 12, 2022 | My Experience Week





We know that starting classes can be overwhelming. Your attention is pulled in a lot of directions; most of you are working and going to school, and many of you have family responsibilities as well. Getting back into school can be a challenging transition, whether it's been 3 weeks, 3 months, or 3 years since your last class.

To help you stay focused and get connected, we've put together a guide to help you focus on what is important throughout the first half of the semester to set you up for success now and into the future. See below to find a guide to your second week!

## WEEK 2: MY EXPERIENCE

**Get Connected!** Now that you have finalized your schedule it's time to start creating connections and building your place here at MassBay. Start developing connections to your peers, staff and faculty all of whom can support you and your learning.



**Follow MassBay & Student Engagement** on Social Media to see what's happening around campus:

#### MassBay:

- Facebook: @MassBayCommunityCollege
- Instagram: MassBayView
- Twitter: @MassBayCommCol

#### **Student Engagement:**

• Facebook: @massbaystudentengagement

• Instagram: massbaystudentengagement

## CHECK OUT MASSBAY'S EVENT CALENDAR!

## MassBay has an online event calendar that all students can access through OneLogin!

- This is the central location for students to get the calendar of events each week.
- This calendar has the most up-to-date information for MassBay student events.
- The event descriptions will have event links included in them for virtual events or location information for in-person events so that you can easily access each event online on in-person.

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#### **Student Events**

- There is an option to subscribe to the calendar so that you get a weekly email with all the events coming up.
  You can also add individual events to your personal calendar or sign-up for
- reminder emails/texts so that you don't forget about them!

#### Click here for a guide to accessing and using the calendar.

### THIS WEEK YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON

KEEP CALM AND READ THE SYLLABUS **Familiarize yourself with your Syllabus** Understand what your professors expect out of you for your classes, and look over major deadlines.

Attend the Using Your Syllabus for Success workshop on Thursday, September 15, 2021, 1-2pm: The syllabus is your guide to understanding your professor's expectations throughout the semester, but it contains much more than deadlines and contact information. Your roadmap to success in your courses is the syllabus. In this workshop, we will learn how to use the information from the syllabus to achieve the best possible outcomes in all of your classes this semester.

Create connections with your faculty

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- Introduce yourself after class or by email, ask questions, and be engaged! Especially in this virtual world, it's easy to see who is paying attention, active in class, and who is distracted or falling asleep.
- Faculty often know about resources around campus and can serve as future references.

#### Create connections with classmates!

• Introduce yourself to classmates! Send them an email or message in blackboard. Having a classmate to reach out with questions or just to review assignments with

- can be a huge help.
- See if others in your classes would be interested in creating study groups they're a great way to meet other students and stay motivated.

**Explore our <u>Mentoring Programs</u>: STEM Mentoring Program**: Stem Mentoring Program nurtures STEM students' academic success and support students' pursuit of their academic and career aspirations by facilitating one-on-one mentoring relationships and providing STEMfocused events, programs and opportunities. Info Sessions:

Tuesday, September 13 @ 6pm & Wednesday, September 14 @ 1pm



**Peer to Peer Mentor Program:** Students are linked with an experienced returning student who will serve as a mentor. Peer mentors assist and support students on a variety of academic and non-academic topics and support their fellow students in acclimating to MassBay. Peer mentors work collaboratively to engage students in activities that increase their peers' involvement in a positive college experience. New students are paired with a peer mentor and learn more soon!

#### **Connect to your Academy**

Our Academies are the seven broad areas of study at MassBay. All of our degree and certificate programs are grouped into these seven Academies to create better connections between students and their peers and professors. Think of your Academy as a community of professors and students who share similar interests and goals.





#### Attend Events!

A few things that are happening this week:

- Musical Bingo
- STEM Mentor Info Sessions
- Syllabi Presentation
- ESL Conversation Group
- Constitution Day Event
- Caricatures
- Airbrush Hats

Check out the <u>Calendar of Events</u> for the event information and links!

### APPLY TO BE PART OF THE LEAD PROGRAM!

LEAD | Leadership Engagement & Development LEAD is a program at MassBay designed to develop leadership skills that will benefit students throughout college, career, and life.

The LEAD program exists to inspire all students to effect positive change through selfexploration, including the positive impact they can have in a group and our community, and why it's vital for our future.



## **ACCESSING CAMPUS**

There is a two-step process for MassBay students, faculty, and staff to gain access to the MassBay campus:

• **STEP 1:** Download MassBayGo, the MassBay mobile app. Search MassBay Community College in your App Store to find it. You will use the My Campus Pass title to enter MassBay buildings. If you have the old MyMassBay app on your phone, please delete it.





• **STEP 2:** Upload your proof of COVID vaccination document. Follow the instructions:

#### Short how-to-video for Students

Individuals who are clear to be on-campus will find a green checkmark in their "campus pass" tile in the MassBay app. You must show the green checkmark to the officer at the door when entering the building.

- Green Check You may access the MassBay Express Lane to enter.
- Blue Pass You must check in with staff at the front door.
- **Red X** You are prohibited from coming to campus at this time.

Please have your phones out and your Campus Pass status visible when arriving on campus.

## **UPCOMING EVENT HIGHLIGHTS**



## JINDO: IT'S BINGO WITH A BEAT!

Jindo is the music bingo party game of skill and luck that's FUN for everyone! Join the CCSLA and your fellow Massachusetts Community Colleges for a game that mixes namethat-tune with bingo.

Tuesday, September 13 @ 12:30pm

Click this link to join on

Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/jindojosh



#### HURSDAY SEPT 15TH 12-2PM

# CARICATURES AND AIRBRUSH

Hosted by Student Engagement in the Wellesley Hills Cafeteria

For questions or concerns, please email studentengagement@massbay.edu

Library Happenings September 2022 Check out what's happening at the Library this month!





# VOLLEYBALL Season IS Coming!!

Are you interested in joining fall 2022 MassBay Women Volleyball team? Looking for all skill levels.

> A team focused on teamwork and determination #GOBUCS



Contact us anelson@massbay.edu or fvaughn@massbay.edu visit https://gomassbaybucs.com/landing/index



## Fall 2022 Conversation Group For English Language Learners Starting Wednesday, September 14th



#### Wednesdays: 2:00-3:00 PM, W317 with Clarissa Codrington

For questions, contact: Clarissa Codrington at: <u>ccodrington@massbay.edu</u>

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Nursing Students Club is open to members of both ADN and PN programs and is a great way to connect with other students and be involved in the community!

**Meeting Times:** 

First Meeting 9/12 2-3pm - Hybrid In person location: Framingham Campus Auditorium Virtual Location: link will be sent out several days before the meeting You do not have to be a member to attend. If you plan on attending, please sign up via the link: <u>Meeting Sign Up</u>

Club Contacts: Advisor- Alicia Layne alayne@massbay.edu President- Amanda LaRosee a\_larosee1@massbay.edu

## **Nursing Students Club**

First Meeting of '22-'23 Academic Year



Monday, 9/12/22 2:00 PM-3:00 PM Framingham Campus Auditorium

Join us to learn about membership, meet other nursing students, and take home MassBay swag! Drinks and snacks provided

Visit the <u>Student Events Calendar</u> in OneLogin for more events and event links and information!



## NEED HELP? HAVE QUESTIONS?

## **VISIT THE VIRTUAL Q & A CENTER!**

Connect virtually with a member of our Support Squad through WebEx. The MassBay Support Squad is available to answer a wide range of questions!

## www.massbay.edu/ask