

**Subject:** Welcome! We're Glad You're Here

Dear [Student's Name],

I would like to officially welcome you to the start of the fall 2024 semester. Whether you are a returning or new student to our campus, we thank you for choosing ACM. We are always here to help you learn, grow, and achieve your goals. If you have questions, please contact one of your instructors or a staff member. You can also visit the Thomas Welcome Center or contact our Welcome Center specialists at [info@allegany.edu](mailto:info@allegany.edu) or 301-784-5005.

If I can offer some advice, it is this:

- **Focus on your learning.** Challenge yourself to find new ways to grow in the classroom, lab, or internship. Ask questions, accept feedback, and stay on top of your assignments.
- **Knock down academic hurdles.** Use [Learning Commons](#) services like Study Labs, online or in-person tutoring, the Reading and Writing Center (RAWC), and more. Connect with Academic Access & Disability Services for accommodations and resources.
- **Access free services to improve your journey.** Connect with [The Pantry](#) [for food and personal care items], try on-site [counseling](#) to overcome roadblocks, and apply for scholarships and financial aid for future semesters.
- **Stay active and engaged.** Attend a student club or SGA (Student Government Association) meeting, work out in the Fitness Center, attend a sporting event, or volunteer through the [College to Community Partnership Center](#).

Please visit one of our Welcome Tables next week set up on our Cumberland and Bedford County campuses. Our college family is here to support you. Remember, your success is our success!

Wishing you the best,

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President of Allegany College of Maryland