

A Framework for Holistic Support for & Success of African American / Black Students at the College of Lake County

Being Black in College 101: Transitions into College Success	Finding Supports: Maximizing Impact from the College Experience	Identifying What Works: Enriching Experiences & High Impact Practices	Building Community: Collaborations, Outreach, & Partnerships	Moving Beyond DEI: Embracing Identity, Advocating for Social Justice, & Engaging in Active Citizenship
black-ish: Welcome Receptions An annual welcome event for all newly enrolled African American students & other CLC community members.	M&M (staff / faculty mentoring program) A semester-long program with staff helping students set goals and overcome barriers.	Global Experiences An introductory seminar to expose students to study abroad experiences and international conferences.	Backpacks & Beyond A community outreach program focusing on PBI schools and churches with donations of school supplies.	Understanding Voting Rights An annual exploration of the impact of the African American vote, while rallying students to become active in the civic process.
grown-ish: Welcome Black Week An annual welcome week full of events geared towards welcoming all African American students back to campus.	PIE (peer mentoring program) A year-long program with student peers helping other students set goals and overcome barriers.	Pathways Beyond A passport program, touring various colleges so students understand transfer options to HBCUs, PBIs, PWIs, HSIs, and others.	BSU & BSU Days CLC's Black student advocacy organization celebrates Lake County's high school's BSUs with sessions, programs, and tours of campus.	State of Emergency for Black Youth in Education Symposium An in-depth symposium aimed at uncovering, understanding, and overcoming educational barriers faced by Black students.
Summer Bridge Program A short cocurricular-academic preparatory program designed with Black student needs in mind, offered over each summer, pre-fall.	BMX (Black Male Xcellence) The relaunch and reimagining of CLC's premiere organization focused on the Black male experience.	Corporate Mentorship Program First, African American corporate leaders participate in panel discussions and networking with students. Then, they are paired with CLC students for mentorship or internship opportunities.	Professional Leaders Roundtable SAI invites successful African American professionals and community leaders to participate in panel discussions, workshops, and networking with students.	Illinois Black Caucus Networking & Advocacy An opportunity to hear from, meet, and network with members of the IL Black Caucus, while also advocating for Black student needs.
Working with Your CCNs & ASAs An ongoing series of programs and conversations to match student needs with appropriate CCN & ASA staff.	Leading the Way with BSU & SGA CLC's primary student advocacy organizations discuss leadership skills and encourage peers to get involved.	Social Justice Retreats & Summit SAI at CLC is proud to present the premiere JEDI experience for students and educators alike, featuring an immersive Saturday topical retreat series and a day-long, conferencestyle summit exploring meaningful social justice work in the 21st century.	Harambee Networking Event An annual early Fall networking event with staff and faculty to build a community of support. Through Harambee, we will 'all pull together.'	The Margaret Burroughs Speaker Series A speaker series named in honor of Chicago teacher, poet, activist, artist, and founder of the Ebony Museum of Negro History and Art, now the DuSable Museum of African American History, which, much like her work, will be deeply rooted in the Black experience.
African American Student Resource Library A comprehensive multimedia resource center housed within the B105 Lancer Lounge.	African American Commencement Celebration An annual celebration of African American student graduates of CLC, showcasing accomplishments.	Black Table Talks Monthly, topical discussion groups hosted by trusted members of the faculty and staff.	Beyond the Barbershop: Supporting Black-owned Businesses A celebration of Lake County Black-owned businesses, encouraging students and staff to support these places.	Positive Change: Service Learning Project An immersive service learning project where participants will research and tackle systemic inequity in a local Black community, affecting change.
First Generation Network A network of first generation students, faculty, staff, and alumni, offering support and guidance to African American first generation students.	PTSD & Impacts in Black Education A panel discussion and passive resources to explore the impacts of PTSD and trauma on Black educational experiences.	Critical Topics for African American Students: Black Card Revoked, #CultureTags, & Be Well Self Care Presentations by speakers, panels, films, or discussions around critical issues impacting Black students.	HBCU Homecoming & Greek Celebrations An annual showcase of pride, strength, unity, and memory of the African American / Black alumni of Lake County.	The True Impact of George Floyd: From His Aunt Angela Harrelson Capstone speaker event, featuring an exploration of the ramifications of the George Floyd murder from the lens of his aunt