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Glendale Career College Hosts Virtual Halloween Costume Contest for Students

Event Demonstrates the College's Ongoing Commitment to Maintaining a Supportive Community for Students in the Midst of the Pandemic

GLENDALE, Calif.—On Wednesday, October 28, Team Members at Glendale Career College joined forces to put on its first ever Virtual Halloween Costume Contest for its students. Usually a highly anticipated annual event on campus, the costume contest went virtual this year in light of COVID-19.

"I started hearing a buzz from the students about how Halloween was canceled this year with the pandemic," explained Irma Pirone, Executive Director of GCC's Glendale Campus. "I told the students, 'Halloween is not canceled at GCC—we're going to have the costume contest on Zoom!"

Students had the option to join in the fun on a morning or evening Zoom call, with Team Members dressed up to show their support. And since students were calling in from their homes, they were encouraged to have their kids and pets dress up and participate as well.

College Team Members gave out awards for Most Original or Creative Costume, Scariest Costume, and Overall Best Costume—with winners receiving e-gift cards to Starbucks.

"Right now, students are coming on campus once a week for time in the lab, but obviously it's not the same as when we had everyone on campus together before COVID-19," Pirone shared. "This was a great way to contribute to that strong campus community I know our students really need. And it's yet another way we are continuing to find the good in this incredibly challenging season—which is what makes us who we are at Glendale Career College."

For more information about Glendale Career College and its programs, visit <u>GlendaleCareer.com</u> or contact Nancy Aguillon at <u>NancyA@success.edu</u>.

About Glendale Career College

Founded in 1946, Glendale Career College has trained individuals to work and succeed in a variety of indemand health care professions for more than 70 years. Committed to providing quality education, the College offers a number of career-focused degree and diploma programs. GCC is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES), the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) (Surgical Technology), and the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT) (Vocational Nursing). The Associate of Arts in Nursing program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN). At Glendale Career College, students find a supportive learning environment as they pursue a rewarding health care career.