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Board, Please see attached letter.

Thank you,
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CCC Grad and Student.

May 19, 2025

Clackamas Community College Board of Education,

My name is David Lundell, I am currently enrolled in one of the AB-101 classes that meets every other Saturday. I was shocked when it came to my attention on Friday May 3rd that there is a recommendation to cancel this class as well as the other AB-101 and AB 105 class.

Clackamas Community College has been an intricate part of Clackamas County for almost 60yrs. As a life long resident of Clackamas County, I remember going with my father, when he took courses at the CCC, when there were just temporary buildings for class rooms. Attending the open house with my family when the main campus buildings were first opened early 1970s. These buildings are named for locations in and around Clackamas County (Barlow and Clairmont) and of people of prominence in the county, (Roger Rook, Clackamas County DA and who was my little league baseball coach). This is a **Community College** and courses like these you are considering canceling are part of the **community** as well!

The class that I have been attending in the Auto Body program has always exceeded it's minimum requirement for student enrollment and is very popular by students of all ages. I first took this class in the 90's, a few years ago my wife and I took the evening class and worked on a 1967 Pontiac Firebird together. There have been fathers and sons working on projects, father daughter projects and mother son projects, in all of these classes. What better way for family members to share in a common interest? All of these course offerings have been very popular over the years in the **community**. These courses offer young people a great way to be introduced to this craft as potential career, and then enroll in the degree program. There have been resent studies that encourage young people to be involved in courses with older generations, what better way to facilitate that interaction than with a common interest? These courses offer that interaction.

The cancellation of these classes are going to be a huge impact to all of us who have projects in various stages of completion. To say there is a lot of frustration with the college is an understatement! We all have invested lots of time and money, beyond the tuition, to get our projects to completion. There are those that don't have the financial where with all to hire the work done to complete their project or the space at home in which to work on them or expertise or skill set, if these classes are canceled. Let alone the satisfaction of completing our projects ourselves. This would be huge blow!

If it was a budget issue, why didn't the college come to those classes and explain what was going on long before now? A "heads up" would have been nice! At least have a conversation with the instructors and students regarding the budget. It just seems that the college has waited till the last minute to inform all of us of these cancellations. Couldn't the college have looked at an increase in fees to help with the budget shortfall rather than just canceling these classes? Not having at least one class option is troubling, especially since all the resources for these classes are in place, buildings, tools and staff. Most all of us in these classes have help pay for those resources over the years with our tax dollars and support of the bond measures.

As a CCC graduate, current student and tax payer in Clackamas County, I have always supported Clackamas Community College and voted for passage of their bonds. If you move forward with this decision and cancel these classes, I will not vote for another bond passage and will be a vocal opponent of future bonds.

I encourage all of you to question why these classes, look with a critical eye at all the recommendations for class cancellations. Students need elective courses, eliminating courses that are not part of a degree program limits the student in their education. Some courses should be taken for the sake of learning something new or of interest, not just part of the core curriculum.

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