



ACADEMIC AFFAIRS UPDATE

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Dear Academic Affairs Colleagues,

I've got three things for you today: a reminder of our food bank and other critical wellness resources for students, an up-to-date reference list of all academic success programs for students, and a celebration of John Jay the horse.

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Food Pantry, Fruit Basket, Health Services, Counseling, Emergency Funds

With SNAP benefits uncertain, more of our students will be hungry. "One cannot think well, love well, sleep well, if one has not dined well," said the great Virginia Woolf.

To keep education at the forefront, our Wellness Center stocks a Food Pantry, open 10-3 Monday – Friday. Students just need to present their student ID and can "shop" at the free food pantry for their needs. Additionally, our Urban Male Initiative has started The Fruit



FOOD PANTRY

The John Jay College Food Pantry is available to all enrolled students.

Our goal is to provide diverse options while prioritizing students' basic nutritional needs.

JJCFoodBank@jjay.cuny.edu

Basket Initiative, offering fresh fruit in the Atrium on Mondays and Wednesdays.

In addition to the Food Pantry, our Wellness Center has a Nurse Practitioner on site for **medical appointments** for students every day, free mental health counseling services, and **emergency funds** for housing, tuition, transportation, and other emergency needs that students encounter.

Spread the word.

Academic Success Programs – So Many

You've heard the acronyms, but what are they?

At John Jay we boast so many student success programs one would not be faulted for being confused. To help everyone know what we offer I have put together an index of Student Success Programs, explaining which student population they serve, their core purpose, how they are funded, and linking to their website. The list is attached to this email.



John Jay's Run Is Over – Thank you John Jay

Sad news from John Jay alum, donor and adjunct professor of Security Management Anthony Gentile, John Jay the horse has a chronic lung infection. He will be treated this winter in Florida and if his health does not improve, he will not race again.

Tony Gentile has donated \$30,000 to our Food Bank in past years, all from John Jay's winnings. We thank Tony again and remind everyone that you don't need a winning horse to donate to our Food Bank!

