



Dear Pitzer Students and Community,

On behalf of the Latinx Student Union, we express our immense distraught regarding the anti-Mexican, anti-Immigrant, and xenophobic remarks made by the student(s) on our campus this past Thursday night. This act of racism has had a history at Pitzer College, these incidents are not isolated. Pitzer College prides itself on being an inclusive, safe, and diverse environment; however, this incident underscores the need to protect one of our most vulnerable populations.

While the racist remarks have negatively impacted our community, which are deeply hurtful and damaging. This incident reminds us of the urgency to continue advocating for student needs and concerns of vulnerable populations on campus. It is fundamental that our students feel safe and valued within the environment they comprise.

To ensure the safety of all students on campus, this is an opportunity for collaboration and partnership. There is a need for disciplinary actions to be taken against the student(s) who are involved. In light of this, we have gathered proactive approaches that Pitzer College can support and ensure the safety and overall wellness of our campus community.

The following list includes our time lined goals that we believe will foster a safe and more inclusive campus community.

From now to 6 months:

- Request a meeting with President Oliver within the next 7-10 days
- Proper investigation to identify student(s) involved
- Creation of an anonymous form for students to report helpful information
- Host 2-4 workshops and/or events to educate the student body on Latinx and/or immigration issues per year
- Creating accessibility to 5C established resources for undocumented/DACAmented students (central portal)

Within the next 6-18 months:

- Campus climate survey
- Investment of resources supporting our undocumented student population
- A physical space on campus designated to be a safe and resource space for undocumented students at Pitzer
- Ongoing discussions with admissions to re-evaluate the number of undocumented students admitted each year
- Creation of a Pitzer advisory committee, comprised of students, faculty, and staff, on supporting historically underrepresented students

Within the next 18-24 months:

- Establishment of a Dream Center for undocumented/DACAmented students across the 5C's
- Appointment of a full-time staff member to oversee Undocumented/DACAmented students at Pitzer College

The Latinx Student Union is committed to having a fruitful conversation with Pitzer College leadership in order to build a more inclusive campus community.

In solidarity,

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