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Dear Students.

I'm thrilled to announce that MassReconnect is finally becoming a reality for the Fall 2023 semester, thanks to the passing of the 2023/2024 state budget.

MassReconnect will cover the cost of community college for Massachusetts residents 25 or older without a previous college degree and bring college within reach for so many adult learners in our region. The program is available to new and current students enrolled in a degree or certificate program. Wondering if you're eligible? Just visit www.BristolCC.edu/MassReconnect for all the details.

Applying to college <u>can seem overwhelming</u>, especially if you're an adult learner juggling multiple responsibilities. But don't worry, Bristol's got your back. Our enrollment staff has been working tirelessly to make sure the implementation of MassReconnect goes smoothly. Our Admissions, Financial Aid, Testing and Advising teams are all geared up and ready to help you breeze through the enrollment process, so you can start benefiting from MassReconnect as soon as possible.

As a last-dollar-in program, MassReconnect requires that students complete their FAFSA application

Remember, the goal here is to make college debt-free for as many students as possible, and MassReconnect is designed to do just that. We want to make sure that every eligible student gets this life-changing opportunity, so help us spread the word!

If you have any questions or need help with anything, don't hesitate to reach out to us. We're here to make your journey at Bristol Community College a success!

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