

# **SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

## **Campus Brief**

### **OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DEAN AMMERMAN CAMPUS**

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**TO:** Ammerman Campus Community

**FROM:** James E. Sherwood, Ph.D. – Executive Dean

**SUBJECT:** **CAMPUS BOOKSTORE RENT-A-TEXT PROGRAM**

Your campus bookstores introduced a new textbook rental program to your SCCC administration, Bookstore Advisory Committee, town hall forums, student leadership meetings, and chair/department meetings this month. The text rental program will allow students to save upwards of 50 percent on many of the books you select for your courses.

I am writing you because I believe it is important that you understand how textbook rental will work and what you can do to make this savings available to our students as we work together to bring down the costs of higher education for our students. This new rental option could be available to your students this fall.

We believe offering rental textbooks through this program will:

**Save students money.** Rental can save students 50 percent or more on the cost of their textbooks

**Support strong learning and study habits.** Students can continue to highlight and take notes in their rented textbooks. They will also have the option to keep the book at the end of a term.

**Make it easier for students to get all their books when they need them.** Students will be able to purchase, pick-up and return textbooks either in our campus stores or online and have numerous choices for payment, including being able to use their campus cards and financial aid.

Because we know this is an important issue for you and the student body, we wanted to be sure you were aware of the program. We also hope you will actively communicate about the benefits of the program to your fellow faculty members and students. Raising awareness about Rent-A-Text is the best way to be certain students and faculty know about the potential to save on their textbooks and take advantage of this exciting new program.

Should you be interested in communicating about the program, we've included key highlights about Rent-A-Text below.

We hope that you will consider this opportunity to address your fellow faculty members and spread the word about this milestone in student savings. Please visit [www.rent-a-text.com](http://www.rent-a-text.com) for further details and updates on our rental program available to SCCC.

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