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# Brand Guidelines 

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## A Message from the President

Dear Friends of College of the Mainland,
It is our privilege to commend to you our Brand Guidelines. In the pages that follow, you will discover the meaning and intent of COM's brand identity, and why its consistent application is important for College of the Mainland's future.

The brand identity represents the rich heritage of College

of the Mainland, and expresses it with distinction. This
visible and unique "signature" conveys to the world that COM is a college with a mission committed to excellence and diversity and focused on the higher educational needs of its students, faculty and staff. These guidelines will help every individual member of the COM family, as well as vendors, apply this brand identity consistently and accurately.

It is the responsibility of the Executive Director of Marketing and Public Affairs to oversee and coordinate the application of our brand, thereby assuring the College and Board of Trustees that these standards are applied correctly and appropriately in publications, advertisements, digital media, signage and other areas. Please familiarize yourself with these guidelines. Should you have a question about the application of this system, need help appropriating elements of the system, or need authorization for products and elements bearing the college logo and brand, please contact the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs.

Sincerely,


Dr. Warren Nichols,
President

## More than just a logo

College of the Mainland's brand encompasses more than just a logo. It is the friendly, caring people. It is our facilities and their appearance. It is the on hold message, the website, or an ad. It is the process of enrolling. It is the experience a student has online and on campus. Our brand is ultimately the public's perception at any single touch point.

Our brand is who we are.

## Overview

The COM logo is a visual symbol representing the COM brand which collectively encompasses all aspects of our image, our mission, our quality and who we are. These Brand Guidelines express the rich heritage of College of the Mainland conveying to the world that COM is committed to excellence and diversity and is focused on the higher educational needs of its students.

These guidelines will help all members of the COM family, including vendors, apply this brand identity system consistently and accurately.

The Marketing and Public Affairs Office is charged with the responsibility to oversee and coordinate the application of the brand identity system, thereby assuring the Board of Trustees that these standards are applied correctly and appropriately in publications, advertisements and products used throughout the college and its learning centers.

## Purpose of these Brand Guidelines

These Brand Guidelines provide specifications for the use and presentation of the COM logos, Horizons, Texas Stars and the Fighting Ducks mascot logo. This manual includes examples of how and how not to use the logos in a variety of materials and situations. It is important that these standards are applied when COM identities are incorporated across all communications to create familiarity and maintain consistency and continuity. The COM logo must be treated consistently to visually embody a cornerstone that supports the COM message and identity across the entire organization and throughout its service area, in all college programs, services and activities.

## Core Standards of Usage

The Branding Guidelines apply to all print and digital college communications both for internal and commercial use
including, but not limited to website, social media, publications, documentation, invitations, signage, fliers, promo pieces, and advertising materials. The common standards are adherence to typography, style, color, proportion, placement, clear space and size relationships determined per application.
In all situations where guidelines have not been previously determined, the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs must be contacted for policy regarding usage. All uses whether print or digital of the College of the Mainland logo, abbreviated letters "COM", mascot logo, other official college logos and use of the written form of "College of the Mainland" must receive brand approval from the Marketing department before printing, apparel production, emailing or any other form of distribution.

## College District and Service Area

College of the Mainland's taxing district consists of residents in Dickinson, Hitchcock, La Marque, Texas City, and Santa Fe school districts. Service areas include League City, Friendswood, Kemah, Bacliff and San Leon.

## For More Information

The Office of Marketing and Public Affairs monitors and maintains the COM brand identity. Questions about this Brand Guidelines manual, brand approvals, use of the logo and other visual identification elements, should be addressed to the Marketing and Public Affairs Office at 409-933-8437 or brandapproval@com.edu.

## The COM Logo

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## Correct logo



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The COM brand architecture has moved away from all uses of the torch to a bold recognizable design of integrity and success.

The new logo, as defined in these guidelines, will be displayed on the college's communications including social media, website, publications, advertisements, posters, fliers, vehicles, stickers, billboards, television, banners, promotional materials, signage, invitations, thank you's, applications, reports, employee gear, clothing, presentations sponsored events and partnership materials.
The COM logo should not be used on unofficial college material including unapproved events, unofficial partnerships or business associations.

Please note: The correct
COM logo should only contain one registered mark. Please see page 22 for more details.

The official College of the Mainland logo exists in three formats: A stacked version and two variations of the horizontal version.

The stacked version must be the combination of the large COM letter emblem and the logotype, the full college name, below it as one unit.

The horizontal logo options offer an extended variation that begins with the COM letters separated by a vertical line, and followed by the logotype all as one unit, or the logotype variation on its own.

Each official format of the logo should contain only one registration mark after the words "College of the Mainland."

Determining the use of a stacked format versus a horizontal format will be based on the canvas area where the logo is to be applied taking all specifications provided in this Brand Guideline manual and design principles into consideration.

The College of the Mainland logotype is made up of two separate type faces. Sabon is used for the large letters "COM" and the words "College" and "Mainland." Galliard is used for the words "of" and "the."

These fonts are reserved strictly for the logo and should not be used as other content on the page, or other application type to preserve the integrity of the logo.

Logo: Clear Space

Minimum clear space designated by outer green line $=1 / 7$ th $(14.29 \%)$ of logo width (total width illustrated by blue line) or width of the "Co" in the spelled out college name.


Minimum clear space
14.29\%

Minimum clear space
Horizontal logo format

Minimum logo clear space shown between logo's edge and outer green line. More clear space is encouraged when possible, but it should not be less.


Example of COM logo above with incorrect clear space around logo within the rectangular shape.

Correct minimum clear space Example of COM logo above, centered in a box displaying the correct minimum clear space and positioning required around all four sides.

To visually offset the descenders and balance of clear space, a small "a" is used upright to determine minimum spacing on the bottom below the large "COM". However, the small "a" should be turned on its side to determine minimum spacing along the top, left and right.

Minimum clear space is required around the logo and must be maintained to preserve the integrity of the brand. Clear space is the distance from the logo's edge to the outer green line. Nothing should invade the logo's clear space.

Note: Clear space defined here is a minimum requirement and, in most cases, more clear space is encouraged and should grow extensively with logo's enlargement.

## Stacked logo

In the vertical stacked logo the minimum clear space requirement is measured as $1 / 7$ th of the logo's perceived visual width (the length of the letters "Co" taken from the logotype). The logo's total perceived visual width is derived from the logotype "College of the Mainland" in the official stacked logo. It begins at the curvature of the " C " and extends to the right edge of the vertical ascender in the letter "d". Due to the visual weight of the COM in the stacked logo, the perceived width does not include the small extending serif from the letter "d" or the registration mark.

## Horizontal logo

In the horizontal logo the minimum clear space is created using the lowercase letter "a" from the logotype's official horizontal logo. The " $a$ " is rotated on its side for left, top, and right against the "COM's" "C" and "M", and the lowercase "d's" serif as shown on the left. The "a" is right side up for the bottom margin against the "COM" "M"s" base serif. This is to create a visual balance within the minimum clear space.


While minimum clear space is required around the logo, larger amounts of clear space around the logo increase the respect of the brand. As the logo's size increases so should the proportion of clear space.

This example portrays the COM flag utilizing clear space as a means to create a presence that is distinguished. Clear space creates focus, integrity and richness allowing the logo to breath visually.

## College Name

## College of the Mainland



The college name and acronym should never be written in fonts that could be described as script handwritten, cute, child-like, cartoonish or other fonts displaying heavy decorative effects without Marketing's prior approval.

In addition to the COM logo, the official name of the college, "College of the Mainland" and its corresponding acronym "COM", are key identifiers of the institution

These key identifiers equally represent all that our college embodies from our resilient goal of student success to our relentless mission for excellence. The quality and consistency of all written, visual, and audio contexts where the college name appears are a critical area of importance as they contribute significantly to the college's brand perception.

In written instances, the complete name "College of the Mainland" should be used on any first reference with subsequent references written as "COM" (with no periods). Do not use any other variation such as "C.O.M." or "COTM."

To preserve the integrity of the college brand, please refrain using "COM" as part of a cute play on words (i.e., "COMing", "COMplete", etc).

All external and public facing usage of the college name, college acronym, or official college logos require a brand approval from the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs before use, printing or distribution.

Use of the written college name requires brand approval on items including, but not limited to: fliers, printed or physical materials, promotional items both giveaway or for sale, club logos, signage, college department initiatives, media relations, vehicles, events, and advertisements.

## Brand Colors: Primary and Secondary

## Primary color palette


"COM Red" PANTONE 200 C

CMYK: 16, 100, 86, 7
RGB: 194, 4, 48
HEX: C20430

"COM Yellow" PANTONE 143 C

CMYK: 2, 32, 91, 0
RGB: 246, 180, 54
HEX: F6B436

"COM Blue" PANTONE 287 C

CMYK: 100, 87, 20, 11
RGB: 0, 47, 135
HEX: 002F87
"COM Blue" is considered the single dominant color for COM while "COM Red" is the secondary dominant color within the primary palette

Secondary color palette

| PANTONE: 3005 C | PANTONE: Orange 021 C | PANTONE: 7731 C | PANTONE: 7540 C |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 100 \\ & \text { M: } 46 \\ & \text { Y: }: \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 0 \\ & \text { M: } 82 \\ & \text { Y: } 100 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 85 \\ & \text { M: } 23 \\ & \text { Y: } 93 \\ & \text { K: } 9 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & C: 69 \\ & \text { M: } 59 \\ & \text { Y: } 52 \\ & \text { K: } 33 \end{aligned}$ |
| PANTONE: 2995 C | PANTONE: 715 C | PANTONE: 360 C | PANTONE: <br> Cool Gray 6 C |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 73 \\ & \text { M: } 16 \\ & \text { Y:0 } \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 0 \\ & \text { M: } 54 \\ & \text { Y: } 93 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}: 61 \\ & \text { M: } 0 \\ & \text { Y: } 95 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | C: 36 <br> M: 29 <br> Y: 28 <br> K: 0 |
| PANTONE: 297 C | PANTONE: 120 C | PANTONE: 367 C | PANTONE: <br> Cool Gray 3 C |
| $\begin{aligned} & C: 52 \\ & M: 4 \\ & Y: 3 \\ & K: 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 1 \\ & \text { M: } 12 \\ & \text { Y: } 72 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}: 40 \\ & \mathrm{M}: 0 \\ & \mathrm{Y}: 81 \\ & \mathrm{~K}: 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 21 \\ & \text { M: } 16 \\ & \text { Y: } 17 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ |
| PANTONE: 317 C | PANTONE: 600 C | PANTONE: 7485 C | PANTONE: <br> Cool Gray 1 C |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 29 \\ & \text { M: } 0 \\ & \text { Y: } 11 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}: 7 \\ & \mathrm{M}: 2 \\ & \mathrm{Y}: 48 \\ & \mathrm{~K}: 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 19 \\ & \text { M: } 4 \\ & \text { Y: } 30 \\ & \text { K: } 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}: 13 \\ & \mathrm{M}: 10 \\ & \mathrm{Y}: 12 \\ & \mathrm{~K}: 0 \end{aligned}$ |

## Logo Centering: Visual width and height

It is important to note the true visual center of the COM logo when centering of the logo is required. It is not as simple as aligning object selection marks (see blue lines on the left).

The defining width to center horizontally is the "C's" edge on the left. On the right the defining line should follow the serif of the " M " and down outside the ascender of the small "d". The tailing serif from the small "d" and the registration mark should not be included as part of the visual measurement due to their visual insignificance.
The defining height used to center vertically extends from the top of the large "M's" serifs to the base of the smaller "M's" serif.

## Logo: Minimum Size

| Vertical stacked logo |
| :--- |
| format |
| Proportional |
| College of the Mainland |
| display width: |
| 1 inch |

Horizontal logo format

Please note:
All logos less than 3 inches wide should remove the small registration mark.

The minimum size of the College of the Mainland logos should always maintain readability first and foremost. These guidelines apply to the COM Foundation logo as well.
Minimum sizes as described here should only be used in limited circumstances, primarily for promotional items and digital web banner advertising.
Minimum sizes may be larger for uses such as clothing embroidery due to production quality limitations.

Please note, all logos less than 3 inches wide should not include a registration mark.

## Logo: Color (Stacked Logo)

Tri-color official logo (stacked)


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Other official color variations for stacked logo in blue and red used in limited circumstances.


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The COM logo is in essence a silhouette filled with color that represents the college and various initiatives.

The logo may be used in the color variations seen here in addition to black, white and grays later described.

## Color logos

The tri-color logo consisting of red, yellow and blue is the official logo, but must only be used over a white or extremely light background no darker than $15 \%$ black or similar color to maintain legibility. This logo should not be used when the logo colors do not compliment or work well with other colors present in the design.

The stacked COM logo may also be used in all "COM Blue" or all "COM Red."

Caution and consideration should be exercised using an all red logo as not to portray unintentional aggression.

The Marketing department, in its sole discretion, may use other colors in special circumstances.


COM stacked logos that are black, white or gray must use the notched version where the " $C$ " is cutout. This applies to the COM Foundation logo as well.

## Black logo

The notched black logo variation can be used over $100 \%$ white backgrounds and other values up to 55\% black and similar background colors.

## White logo

The notched white logo can be used over $100 \%$ black backgrounds and other values down to $30 \%$ black and similar colors.

## Gray logos

Gray stacked logos should be a variation of the notched black logo using pure black ranging in ten percent
increments from 5\% to 85\% used only with contrasting backgrounds for legibility.

When placing the College of the Mainland logo on a background or photograph, always ensure the surrounding area is neutral in appearance, absent of a busy texture and ultimately allows for the logo to be visually clear and legible.

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Alternative approved color variations for horizontal logo
in blue and red used in limited circumstances.

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## COM |College of the Mainland.

The COM logo is a silhouette filled with color to represent the college identity. The horizontal logo may appear in two forms, with or without the official letters "COM" and corresponding vertical line as shown on the left.

The horizontal logo may be used in the color variations seen here in addition to black, white and grays later described.

## Horizontal logo

The tri-color logo consisting of red, yellow and blue is the official logo, but must only be used over a white or extremely light background no darker than $15 \%$ black or similar color to maintain legibility. This logo should not be used when the logo colors do not compliment or work well with other colors present in the design.

The horizontal COM logo may also be used in all "COM Blue" or all "COM Red."

Caution and consideration should be exercised using an all red logo as not to portray unintentional aggression.
The Marketing department, in its sole discretion, may use other colors in special circumstances.
The horizontal logo without the "COM" and vertical line is specifically used in scenarios where the presence of the "COM slash" disrupts a symmetrical visual balance primarily in centeraligned arrangements (symmetrical building entrances, diplomas, posters, etc).

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Standard gray: 65\% black

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| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C}: 0 \\ & \mathrm{M}: 0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R: } 119 \\ & \text { G: } 120 \end{aligned}$ | HEX: 77787B | Alternative official horizontal logo grays |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & Y: 0 \\ & K: 65 \end{aligned}$ | B: 123 |  | \#f1f2f2 | $5 \%$ black | \#b1b3b6 | $\begin{aligned} & 35 \% \\ & \text { black } \end{aligned}$ | \#77787B | $\begin{aligned} & 65 \% \\ & \text { black } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  | \#dcddde | $15 \%$ black | \#9d9fa2 | $\begin{aligned} & 45 \% \\ & \text { black } \end{aligned}$ | \#636466 | $\begin{aligned} & 75 \% \\ & \text { black } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  | \#c7c8ca | $\begin{aligned} & 25 \% \\ & \text { black } \end{aligned}$ | \#8a8c8e | $\begin{aligned} & 55 \% \\ & \text { black } \end{aligned}$ | \#4d4d4f | $85 \%$ black |

The COM logo can be used in one of 4 color designs based on the application.

## Color logo

This is the official logo style, but must only be used over a white or extremely light background no darker than $15 \%$ value of black or similar color to maintain legibility. This logo should not be used when logo colors do not compliment other colors present in the overall design.

## Black logo

The notched black logo variation can be used over $100 \%$ white backgrounds and other values up to $55 \%$ black and similar background colors.

## Gray logos

Gray logos should be a variation of the notched black logo used in $10 \%$ increments of pure black from $5 \%$ to $85 \%$ used only with contrasting backgrounds for legibility.

## White logo

The notched white logo can be used over $100 \%$ black backgrounds and other values down to $30 \%$ black and similar colors.
When placing the College of the Mainland logo on a background or photograph, always ensure the surrounding area is neutral in appearance and ultimately allows for the logo to be visually clear and legible.

Appropriate use case examples include Recycling, Adopt-a-Beach, Sustainability, Earth Day, Save the Planet or other measures to beautify, protect life, animals, nature and our environment.

This logo should only be used over a white background. If simple gray background elements are present, such as the leaf background seen here, the

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 background should not exceed $17 \%$ opacity.PANTONE 360 C

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C: 61
M: 0
Y: 95
K: 0
R: 110
G: 190
B: 76
HEX: 6EBE4C

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## College oftheMainland.

M: 83
Y: 5
K: 0
R: 245
G: 81
B: 151
HEX: F55197

Brand Box Examples:



The Brand Box is a design approach to create visual structure for COM's logo usage in communications drawing distinction, focus and clarity for immediate brand recognition.
The Brand Box is reserved solely for the stacked COM logo and should be used in Institutional-based advertising only (no campus event-based advertising). The Brand Box should display a color from the approved color palette that visually enhances and supports the overall design. The COM logo should maintain sufficient contrast to the selected box color.

The Brand Box must always appear anchored to either the top (left or right), or in limited circumstances either the bottom (left or right), or center (top or bottom) in a design. When used in left or right positioning, the brand box should never be placed flush into a corner, but rather indented so it appears as a tab-like, banner element Please see examples.
The Brand Box's standard width for an $8.5 \times 11$ flier is either 2.75 in wide or 4 in wide depending on layout and content constraints. Please note, the Brand Box scale may be adjusted if needed, but should never appear overly large.

## Logo: Usage in College Materials

## Self-Service Internal-Use Collateral Materials

- Internal-use collateral materials are solely meant for use within the College (e.g. "Taco Tuesday"). This includes, but is not limited to, program/recruiting events, announcements, marketing materials, etc.
- Internal-use collateral materials often do not require a logo. If a logo is desired, a marketing request must be submitted to the Marketing and Public Affairs Department to have the collateral piece designed.
- Writing out "College of the Mainland" on any collateral material is not permitted. If branding is required, then a ticket for the collateral piece must be submitted to Marketing and Public Affairs.


## External-Use Collateral Materials

- External-use collateral materials are designed to be seen by, and distributed within, the community. This includes, but is not limited to, program/recruiting events, announcements, marketing materials, etc.
- All external facing collateral materials must be created by the Marketing and Public Affairs Department.
- Please remember standard turnaround times for marketing requests begin at 10 working business days and increase depending on the complexity of the request.
- As subject matter experts, requestors should provide initial content for all materials.
- The term "external use" includes, but is not limited to, print materials such as fliers, postcards, promotional items, signs, etc.


## Self Service Collateral Materials

- College employees may create collateral materials for internal purposes only. However, if the collateral piece requires a College logo, it must be submitted to the Marketing and Public Affairs Department to have the logo added and to receive approval. The Purchasing Department will require an approval from Marketing for any materials including the COM logo.
- Writing out "College of the Mainland" on any piece of collateral material is not permitted. If branding is required, then the collateral piece must be submitted to Marketing and Public Affairs.


## Modifications to Approved Collateral

- All modifications to collateral materials designed by the Marketing and Public Affairs Department will need to be submitted for brand approval.


## Working With External Vendors

- Please work with established COM vendors. Established workflows have been created with vendors to ensure COM Marketing and Public Affairs projects operate efficiently.


Do not distort any portion of the logo

Do not rotate



Do not substitute unapproved colors


Do not use retired logo versions


Do not add a drop shadow or other effects


Do not blend with other logos or text elements


Do not recreate the logo or alter the fonts


Do not add unapproved words or titles near the logo


Do not blend the "COM" logo with a play on words


Do not use "COM" as a standalone element without Marketing approval


Do not crop the logo


Do not use an extra registration mark after the large "COM"

Correct and consistent use of the College of the Mainland brand is an essential part of building brand integrity.

Do not alter or redraw the logo in any way. Illustrations on the left depict incorrect usages of the COM logo. Regardless of application, the logo must maintain its integrity.

Always use current, approved electronic artwork for the College of the Mainland brand.

Every element, including lettering, sizing, placement and color have been carefully designed and positioned using specific proportions.

With previous logos having been retired it is very important to use current artwork as specified in these guidelines.

Note: Incorrect usage examples shown on the left also apply to all official COM logos including the mascot logo and the COM Foundation logos.
The COM logo cannot be used for personal reasons or by external parties unless those individuals are under contract providing a service to the College that warrants use of the logo.

## Logo: College Departments

## Community-Facing Grandfathered Seals and Logos

Community-Facing Department Seals


# COM THFSTRE <br> THE BIGGEST LI'L THEATRE IN TEXAS 

We are College of the Mainland. We are all part of one educational force with three shared goals united by a core visual brand presence across our touchpoints.

While each of our college departments are unique, we communicate the COM brand image as one entity simply displaying only the COM logo. This clear and unified brand approach for departments applies to all promotional related items such as pens, lanyards, tablecloths, $t$-shirts, tumblers, bags and more.

All college departments represent the college with a single official COM logo. However, a limited set of six college departments determined as core community-facing entities possess seals and logos that have obtained grandfathered level status allowing for their continued use. These six logos and seals must appear in conjunction with the official COM logo in all print publications, apparel, certificates, digital distributions or other uses.
All departments have the ability to personalize their unique areas with advertising and recruitment efforts through the use of business cards, custom designed retractables, fact sheets, recruitment cards, fliers, brochures, posters and other collateral.

Note: All COM logo guidelines presented in this document (including the use of adequate clear space and incorrect usage examples) also apply to all college department logos, the mascot logo and any other official logos. Each of the grandfathered college department logos shown on this page may be used in full color, white or black.

Have questions? Contact the marketing office or submit a request for assistance with your next event or advertising project.

The college name, "College of the Mainland", it's acronym "COM", and its respective logos all represent the brand of the college. Marketing manages the use and approval of all brand materials. Departments interested in using the college name or college logo displayed on any external public-facing materials (i.e., fliers, postcards, signage, apparel, or other communications) must receive prior approval from the Marketing and Public Affairs Office. Requests for approval should be submitted to:

## brandapproval@com.edu

## Mascot Logo: Club Sports - Fighting Ducks

All forms of the duck head mascot logo are trademark of College of the Mainland and may only be used with official college events, sponsorships, partnerships, official branded merchandise and initiatives determined by COM's Office of Marketing and Public Affairs. Unauthorized use is forbidden.

All requests to use the duck head separately from the curved COM design element must receive brand approva from the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs.

Official mascot logo with blue head and red lettering


Official mascot logo in black gray and white


## Official mascot logo colors follow COM's core colors:

"COM Red"

PANTONE 200 C
CMYK: 16, 100, 86, 7
RGB: 194, 4, 48
HEX: C20430
"COM Yellow"
PANTONE 143 C
CMYK: 2, 32, 91, 0
RGB: 246, 180, 54
HEX: F6B436
"COM Blue"
PANTONE 287 C
CMYK: 100, 87, 20, 11
RGB: 0, 47, 135
HEX: 002F87

The COM duck head mascot logo is one element
consisting of the duck head and
curved design text
element as seen on the left.

COM's Club Sports and Recreation mascot duck head logo embodies the school's spirit as it represents the mascot tagline "Fighting Ducks."

It illustrates a fighting spirit evoking a strong sense of determination, perseverance and confidence. This iconic element expresses the notion of what it means to be part of the COM student body (a Fighting Duck) instilling an inner drive to endure and succeed.

The duck head logo design proudly holds its own amongst other colleges across the U.S. elevating COM as a reputable force in higher education. The logo is designed in such a way that it is recognizable by it's unique look versus a specific color allowing the COM sports brand flexibility in its promotion.

The core mascot logo is defined as the blue head, red outline and yellow bill. It is displayed in conjunction with the curved "COM" design element shown on the left. These elements must exist as one element, unseparated and remain proportionate.

Additional variations are defined on the next page.

## Mascot Logo: Club Sports - Fighting Ducks

One-color white logo


Hollow white
(White areas solid color)

One-color blue logo PMS 280


Hollow blue
(White areas see-through)

One-color black logo


Hollow black
(White areas see-through)

One-color red logo


Hollow red
(White areas see-through)

## Additional variations

Two-color logo: blue and yellow


The mascot logo duck head is available in one color and two-color variations combined with the official "COM" element for use on apparel, promo and other items as needed in colors shown here.

As professional sports teams offer variations of their team name and brand design to draw a wider fan base and appeal to different interests, COM's mascot logo duck head is available in several colors in combination with the curved "COM" text design element or the words "Fighting Ducks". Important: "Fighting Ducks" can never be preceded by the word "the."

Marketing requires a proof and approval of all mascot logos before they are printed, used and distributed.

All usage of official College of the Mainland logos, including the duck mascot logo, requires approval from the Marketing department before printing, publication, or other usage. This includes t -shirts and promotional items. Unapproved items may be removed from circulation.

## Mascot Logo: Club Sports - Fighting Ducks Clear Space

Correct spacing
examples:

Official COM Mascot Logo


Clear space on
all sides



Examples on the left illustrate correct and incorrect positioning.

While minimum clear space is required around the logo, larger amounts of clear space around the logo increase the respect of the brand. As the logo's size increases so should the proportion of clear space.

Clear space creates focus, integrity and richness allowing the logo to breath visually.

Incorrect spacing
examples:



Do not distort any portion of the logo


Do not rotate


Do not substitute unapproved colors


Do not use retired logos


Do not add a drop shadow or other effects


Do not add words, names, or other logos without Marketing approval


Do not change COM lettering appearance


Do not separate the duck head from the curved COM lettering without Marketing approval. (See notes on the right)


Do not change proportions of the logo


Do not add text or other elements around the mascot logo


Do not crop the mascot logo without Marketing approval


Do not replace letters with college's full name

Correct and consistent use of the College of the Mainland brand is an essential part of building brand integrity.

Do not alter or redraw the mascot logo in any way. Illustrations on the left depict incorrect usages of the COM mascot logo. All guidelines apply to solid and hollow versions of the mascot logo. Regardless of application, the logo must maintain its original proportions and brand integrity.
Always use current, approved electronic artwork for the College of the Mainland brand.

Every element, including lettering, sizing, placement and color have been carefully designed and positioned using specific proportions.

Aside from pennants, the duck head may only be used in isolation if the back of the head is cropped off (i.e., a large head used across a magazine spread, a window application or wall graphic, or similar use).
With the previous logo having been retired it is very important to use current artwork as specified in these guidelines.

Incorrect usage guidelines presented here apply to all COM logos and other official logos.

## Mascot Logo Support Element: Fighting Ducks

All instances of the words "Fighting Ducks" on promotional material should use the varsity style graphic element shown below. Long sleeve usage should appear rotated $90^{\circ}$ on the left side.
"Fighting Ducks" word mark varsity style: PMS 280.

## FIGHTING DUCKS

## Student Life <br> Department only

COM logo in blue 3.5 in . wide

Right sleeve stacked


Official "Fighting Ducks" Student Life logo: PMS 280

Student Life


Student Life "Fighting Ducks" long-sleeve tee


Note: the tagline "Fighting Ducks" should never be preceded by the word "The" when written or spoken.



Front left chest, official
"Fighting Ducks" Student Life logo 2.75 in. wide


Back center neck, official "Fighting Ducks" Student Life logo 2.0 in. wide

The term "Fighting Ducks" is the official mascot identity for College of the Mainland.

The mascot identity
"Fighting Ducks" should never be preceded by the word "The" when written. "The Fighting Ducks" word mark is a trademark owned by another entity. Our apparel and other material can only display the words "Fighting Ducks."

When the mascot is mentioned in written or spoken material, references must be constructed as "... the COM Fighting Ducks..."

Note: Student Life is the only college department approved to use their department name in combination with the mascot logo.

Fighting Ducks Mascot logo usage: The Duck head logo may be used for internal Student Life events, sports, and student and spirit engagement.

The mascot logo may be used for Student Life swag and promo items where imprint size allows. An official COM logo is not needed in addition to duck ogo on shirts, hats, etc.

Marketing oversees brand approval for all branded tems for sale in the COM bookstore including those bearing COM logos and Fighting Ducks mascot logos.


Please see pages for promotional use guidelines of Meta Major logos.

COM's Meta-Major logos represent the four highlevel curriculum categories, collectively encompassing all programs at the college.

A minimum clear space should be used around individual Meta Major logos to establish integrity and importance that is equal o the width of the outer colored ring.

If all four Meta Major logos are used together as one group, inner sides may be positioned closer, however outer sides of the grouped logos should maintain minimum clear space.

Meta Major logo colors cannot be changed or altered so that they may effectively maintain brand recognition and clear identification.

All usage of official College of the Mainland Meta Major logos requires approval from the Marketing department before printing, publication, or other usage including promotional items.
Unapproved items may be removed from circulation.

Other College Logos: Horizons Magazine

COM Horizons masthead logo

## Horizons

0.625 in.


The college's official
magazine is titled Horizons.
The Horizons masthead logo is used to aid and promote public identification and recognition.

The logotype Horizons and swoosh mark must always be the same color which can fluctuate with the college's primary or secondary color palettes depending on the overall design of the cover. The title color selection must have a color that compliments the colors in the cover artwork with strong contrast and clear legibility.
The three small horizontal color bars below the " H " and " o " must always remain the primary colors of the college - red, yellow and blue.

The word "Magazine" must remain its relative size and proportions, however its color can be adjusted to enhance the design with consideration of legibility and contrast to the "Horizons" title and background imagery.

## Other College Logos: Texas Stars

The Texas Stars logo


The Texas Stars logo with tagline


Because of you, the stars shine big and bright.

## Primary color palette

The Texas Stars Donor Wall - Conference Center


A Texas Stars Invitation example.

(dimmed COM palette for Texas Stars to create a richer, sophisticated look)


| C: $25 \%$ | C: $82 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| M: $47 \%$ | M: $71 \%$ |
| Y: $81 \%$ | Y: $41 \%$ |
| K: $5 \%$ | K: $28 \%$ |

HEX: 674559

Additional secondary colors to support
the Texas Stars theme


The name Texas Stars represents the gracious and generous donors to COM's Foundation.

Texas Stars embodies a rich, luxury branding presence with a Texas flair comprised of 8 donation levels each named along a Texas-theme.

The tagline for Texas Stars is "Because of you, the stars shine big and bright." that speaks for the students it helps while aligning with the popular Texas song.

Texas Stars material should appear with a Texas feel such as browned paper, leather textures, and other rustic approaches. To further align materials with a Texas-look and night sky, the core brand colors were each intentionally dimmed (like a night sky) to align the brand with richer tones.
The Texas Stars logo, font and tagline written in Rockwell font should not be altered in any way and should be used with adequate clear space to preserve its integrity.

The Texas Stars logo that includes swirls and text may be used with or without the tagline.

## Advertising Types:

- Institution-based
- Event-based


## Institution-based vs. Event-based Advertising

There are two main advertising categories for the college: Institution-based materials are official visual communications regarding recruitment, enrollment, registration, degrees, certificates, programs, donors and other similar collateral representing the college to the community. Event-based materials are geared specifically towards current students for events taking place on the college's main campus.
Institution-based advertisements take brand focus to its highest level. Therefore, institution-based advertising should only be produced by the Marketing and Public Affairs staff or their designates.

Event-based advertisements are for official on-campus activities advertised on some or all of the following: TVs, kiosks, website, social media, posters, fliers and postcards. With a goal of engaging students, event materials maintain design freedom allowing alignment with specific interests, culture and diversity while promoting a fabric of visual richness across campaigns. Considerations must always be taken into account how the brand will be received cohesively while generating event material.

The COM logo guidelines remain applicable in all material where the logo appears.

Institution-based advertising examples:

| Campus signage | Horizons magazi |
| :--- | :--- |
| Vehicle signage | External magazin |
| Billboards | Newspaper ads |
| Digital marketing campaigns | Brochures |
| Email signature | Invitations |
| Letterhead | COM Clothing |
| Business cards | COM Website |

Promotional items

Event-based advertising examples:

Digital displays (campus TVs)
Kiosks
Social media (extension of event)
Fliers
Posters
Event postcards

Fonts: Institution-based vs. Event-based Comparison

Below are examples illustrating font and image design in Institution-based
branding vs. Event-based branding.

Institutional-based branding

- Often uses the Brand Box
- Fonts are primarily (if not all) Roboto
- Structured aesthetic using clear photography


COM on-campus event-based branding

- No Brand Box usage, but logo is used
- Open to use other fonts to fit the event culture or "feel"
- Imagery style fluctuates


This sample set of Institution-based designs illustrate the correct use of fonts as it relates to the brand guidelines

Institution-based materials that promote the brand directly will have an open, clean and conservative design aesthetic with ample clear space around all instances of the COM branding and typography used within the layout.

Main titles should maintain hierarchy and find balance within the overall design.
Event-based designs are more flexible on font use, but should remain professional, display effective communication for target audiences, maintain hierarchy principles and align with the subject matter. Clip art is not permissible in any design under any circumstances
The marketing office designs and approves all institution and event-based materials bearing the COM brand and identity.

These materials must be professionally printed and should not have copies made on an office printer This helps the college maintain a standard of professional, cohesive brand quality.

Primary font options for
Institution-based titles

Roboto Bold Condensed - Use as ALL CAPS if used as a title
ROBOTO

## Roboto Bold

## Roboto

Roboto Light

## Roboto

Primary font for Institution-based
short copy

Roboto Regular

## Roboto

## Other fonts within the Roboto font family

Other Roboto font variations are acceptable, but consideration should be given by asking questions such as Is the font choice legible at the final scale being used? Does the font style selected add to the integrity and visual balance of the piece? Does font usage maintain a bold, clear focus for the piece?

Roboto Condensed should primarily be used for short amounts of content only

Roboto Thin variations should primarily be used for unique title or subtitle treatments where it can be used at larger sizes to maintain legibility.

Italics of any Roboto variation should
be used minimally to accent only one or two words if needed. Never use as a full sentence.

Roboto Black is typically not used due to its smaller counterforms which affect legibility at smaller sizes. It also has a bulkier appearance conflicting with the overall intended use of Roboto for a sense of fresh and agile (whereas Black is leaning along lines of being clunky). Use should be limited, but if may be effective as single words in custom title treatments

College of the Mainland's font use strategy embarks on presenting bold, clear visual messaging on all communication pieces.

To maintain a consistent appearance and modern brand identity, the official font for Institution-based advertising content is Roboto in both title treatments and short-body copy.
Roboto portrays a fresh, innovative, modern brand appeal with a clean structured letter form It's overall thin to bold thicknesses evoke a sense of agility avoiding interpretations of bulky or clunky.
In main title treatments, Roboto should be used in either Bold Condensed (all caps), Bold or Light style. Short body content should use Roboto Regular. All Roboto title font usage should have tracking set to -20 with kerning adjusted as needed.

Clear space is critical with all use of typography to create an open, visual flow of communication. With the exception of dynamic title treatments, negative space (clear space) must always be included around all text in a design layout. Learn more on the next page.

## Fonts: Institution-based materials

Limited-use sublevel accentuating fonts

## Fontjek

## Fourjel

Varsity Team
VARSITY

## Yellowtail

## Yellowtail

These fonts should never be used for anything other than simple text treatments (titles, subtitles,
accentuating word, date, etc). These fonts should never be used for body content.

## Body content

Always include a minimum of about
1/4in of clear space around all sides of
body content (see below) to maintain
integrity in the piece.

When body content is laid out whether it be inside of a box shape like this light blue box, or next to other shapes in a document, or near the edge of a document, a thick area of clear space is required around it (from the text's edge to the edge of the box). It should appear balanced on all sides for a uniform appearance.

Required clear space
Secondary font for long-body content

PT Serif Regular

## PT Serif

## Additional Title fonts:

Three sublevel fonts are also available, limited to minimal use, for portions of a title or title phrase content. These are Fontjek, Varsity Team and Yellowtail.

## Body Text:

PT Serif is used as a secondary body content font for longer documents and publications such as the Horizons magazine publications and some college handbooks.

Body content should always include a minimum of $1 / 4$ inches of clear space around all sides of body content (see examples on the left) to maintain visual integrity in the piece.

As mentioned before, clear space is critical with all use of typography to create an open, visual flow of communication. With the exception of dynamic title treatments, negative space (clear space) must always be included around all text in a design layout

## Advertising: Logo Placement

## Stacked logo

Fliers and posters


Formal Letterhead


Horizontal logo

Fliers, posters, magazines, newspaper


The COM logo has placement requirements across different advertising collateral.

Stacked logos should primarily be used with the logo Brand Box for Institutional purposes. Please refer to logo Brand Box guidelines earlier in this document.

Horizontal logos are limited to either top or bottom placement

Usage of the COM logo in advertising and publications follows the same guidelines for color, style, sizing and hierarchy. Logo size will be determined by the logo's position on the page, other content and elements.

Regardless of use, the COM logo brand guidelines remain applicable in all materials where the logo appears.

Digital and print publication formats not listed here will adapt the logo as needed for best results determined by the Marketing department.

All usage of the College of the Mainland logo, in any material, requires approval from the Marketing department before printing, publication, or other usage. This includes T-Shirts and all promotional items. Unapproved items may be removed from circulation.

Please contact the Marketing department for assistance with your project.

## Event-based Advertising: Logo Usage

## When to use the COM Logo:

## On-campus digital displays (TV monitors):

COM logo not used.

## On and off campus kiosks:

COM logo not used.

## Fliers:

COM logo required in image.

## Posters:

COM logo required in image.

## Mailed pieces (Postcards, invitations, etc):

COM logo required.

External advertising (Billboards, magazines, etc):
COM logo required in image

## COM social media posts:

COM logo should not be included in advertising image.

## Note:

All mailed college material and campus event material open to the public must include the college's full address following the information below:

## 1200 N. Amburn Road

 Texas City, Texas 77591Each campus event will have its own look and feel created as mini-campaigns. The look and feel will be maintained as it is reconfigured into different size formats.

There are no absolute color limitations of eventbased designs, but it should be in good taste and reflect the event appropriately.

Colors of the designed piece should not visually conflict with the tri-color COM logo's colors. Alternative COM logos presented in these guidelines may be used as needed.

Visuals should represent the college and subject matter in a positive, professional and engaging light.

Given the variation of where event-based advertising may appear, the required and restricted use of the COM logo will vary. See the list on the left for details.

The COM logo may only be used with official college events, sponsorships, partnerships and initiatives. All materials bearing the college name, college acronym, or any official college logo require brand approval through the Marketing office before items are printed, produced or distributed. Please submit logo and brand requests to: brandapproval@com.edu

Have an event coming up? Submit a request through the Marketing and Public Affairs Marketing Request System. Please allow a minimum of 3-weeks turn-around. Please note, more complex requests may have a longer turnaround time. Please contact the Marketing office to schedule a planning meeting for your event's advertising approach or if you have questions concerning your upcoming project.

## Institution-based: Brand Imagery

In general, all imagery used in any college materials, digital or print, should be bold, positive in nature and high quality utilizing photography with a clear resolution and focus.

Imagery used in institutional-based publications should use filters from the library of gradient maps seen here Using these filters allow for a cohesiveness in college imagery communications and enhanced brand recognition.


All imagery and visual communication (photos, logos, icons, artwork, text, promotions, etc.) used in official institution or event-based pieces should be positive in nature, high quality, high resolution and professional in nature. It should uphold and represent the intrinsic values of COM's brand as a respected institution.

Imagery used should be bold with a strong focal point acting as a supporting element to the message being presented to communicate and resonate with the intended audience effectively.

To convey a cohesive visual brand, all imagery used in institutional pieces should utilize gradient map image filters shown on the left. Values may be adjusted slightly depending on imagery needs. The marketing office manages all filter file resources

Please note: Clip art is never permitted in any material including public-facing, institutional and eventbased communications.

## Event-based Advertising: Typical Collateral

Kiosks: $1080 \times 1920$ pts.


12:30-1:30 P.M. CONFERENCE CENTER

EMAIL EURBAN@COM.EDU FOR MORE INFO.

Digital displays: $1920 \times 1080$ pts.


Facebook: $1200 \times 628$ pts


In some cases, $11 \times 17$ posters, $8.5 \times 11$ fliers, $5 \times 8$ half-page fliers, or $5 \times 8$ postcards may be needed.

Event-based communication is created across multiple digital and print formats as mini advertising campaigns. While the COM logo usage maintains its strict usage guidelines, other aspects of Event-based design pieces have greater design freedom and flexibility. Per event campaign, a design is created and then molded to adapt the various media channels.

Event-based designs should be professional in appearance that advocate student engagement and attendance. Hierarchy of information should be clear and concise with readability, comprehension and engagement possible within 12 seconds or less for digital usage.

Fliers and posters are designed with a 0.25 inch white border around all sides to avoid bleeds and additional printing costs.

Fliers, posters and postcards are designed at 150 dpi.

Digital displays, kiosks and social media are designed at 72 dpi .

The COM logo may only be used with official college events, sponsorships, partnerships and initiatives. All materials bearing the college name, college acronym, or any official college logo require brand approval through the Marketing office before items are printed, produced or distributed. Please submit logo and brand requests to: brandapproval@com.edu

Have an event coming up? Submit a request through the Marketing and Public Affairs Marketing Request System. Please allow a minimum of 3-weeks turn-around. Please note, more complex requests may have a longer turnaround time.

On occasion the COM logo may co-exist with external brands to show an association or partnership with an event.

In these scenarios each logo should be given adequate clear space and arranged hierarchically to show either equal sponsorship/ partnership, a supporting role, or the leading role.

The COM logo may only be used with official college events, sponsorships, partnerships and initiatives

Have an event coming up? Submit a request through the Marketing and Public Affairs Marketing Request System:
com.edu/marketing

## Official Letterhead:

## Letterhead is available to download in print and digital formats from the Marketing

Resource Center at https://com0.sharepoint.com/sites/Marketing.


## Step 2:

Scroll down to the "Stationery" section, locate the "Brand Toolbox" area and open the "Letterhead" folder.


Within this folder are an official ready-to-use print version of the letterhead as well as a digital letterhead version for email use only.

Print version: Open the provided Word document and type in your content. Please do not change text box positioning, font, font color or sizes. Letterhead can only be printed on official letterhead paper which is available from the Marketing office. Place this paper in your printer and print the "print version" Word doc.

Digital version: This version should never be printed. Update the content in this document, save the file and then share via email as needed.

To build brand integrity, official brand communications in the form of letterhead, envelopes, thank you cards, PowerPoints and other collateral should maintain a consistent appearance with fonts, font size, font color and content placement.
The Marketing Resource
Center offers ready-touse resources for COM employees. The guidelines on the left offer guidance on how to use the letterhead resources.
These communication pieces are part of the Institution-based advertising as a formal facing element to the community.

Official College Web Address

The official designation of the college website is simply "com.edu" without www.

## com.edu com.edu/events

Instances where the website is not in standalone form can be written in Roboto Regular. Bold text is not required but the link text should utilize color to help draw focus.

## Visit com.edu/events to learn more.

## Official College Physical Address: Display Standards

## All digital and printed materials that include the college address should <br> have consistent content and formatting using the font Roboto Regular.

## Stacked address (center-aligned) for envelope return address.

Color: \#808285, Font size 8pt, Leading 10pt, 0 tracking
$\square$

One line address (center-aligned)
Color: \#808285, Font size 9pt, Leading 13pt, -20 tracking

1200 N. Amburn Road, Texas City, Texas 77591

## One line footer address with website and/or other information added (center-aligned):

1200 N. Amburn Road, Texas City, Texas 77591 • 409-938-1211 • com.edu

## Stacked footer address

(left-aligned or right-aligned):
1200 N. Amburn Road
Texas City, Texas 77591
409-938-1211
1-888-258-8859
com.edu

Two lines, address and web (center-aligned) for COM Letterhead address (footer text) and Thank You cards (back).
Color: \#8a8c8e, Font size 9pt, Leading 13pt

1200 N. Amburn Road, Texas City, Texas 77591 com.edu

Consistency of the college address is important to further exemplify stability and integrity.
The address should first state " 1200 " followed by "N." (with a period), Amburn and the word "Road" spelled out. Kerning should be adjusted between the " 1 " and " 2 " in "1200." "Texas City," should be followed by "Texas" spelled out with the zip code.

When used as a footer, place the order as address first then phone number (the number separated using hyphens), then the COM website written as "com. edu" (omitting https:// www), all center-aligned with two spaces around each separating bullet point.

With envelope layout, either a stacked COM logo or stacked Foundation logo is placed in the upper left corner with a $5 / 16$ inch clear space along the top and left side, from the logo's edge to the edge of the envelope. *The top guideline should align with the " M " in "COM's" top serifs.

These communication pieces are part of the Institution-based advertising as a formal facing element to the community.

## Official Email Signature: Display Standards

Create your email signature using Arial.
Bold your name and the college's name
 the network's Marketing folder.

All departments, with the exception of the COM Foundation (logo below) use the official COM logo in the email signature.

First Last Name
Official position title
College of the Mainland
Name of your department
1200 N. Amburn Road
Texas City, Texas 77591
409-933-8039
youremail@com.edu


College of the Mainland.

## Official Business Cards

Business cards can be ordered through the
Marketing Resource Center's Self Service section.

## Step 1:

Visit: https://com0.sharepoint.com/sites/Marketing

## OOM CollegeoftheMainland.

Dr. Helen Castellanos Brewer
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409-933-8213 | Fax: 409.933-0999
$\otimes$ hbewerl@com.edu
(1) www.com.edu 1 .en . Amburn Road, Texas City, Texas 77591

## Step 2:

From the Home screen,
scroll down.


Get help from Marketing and Public A
Marketing and Public Affairs is happy to provide strategic me working with us for the first time, we invite you to learn more gain a better understanding of what to expect.

## Step 3:

Click on the yellow area titled "Business cards, Name Tags and Stationery" to begin your order.


Business cards are an integral part of the institutional-based advertising category shared amongst partners, media, businesses and the community.
COM's Marketing Resource Center provides a selfservice model online to expedite ordering business cards, name tags and stationery.
Business cards will display one line in bold for the employee's name (one line only), a second line in all caps designating the employee's official position (one line only) and a third line in title case displaying the employee's department name (one line only). All fonts and font sizes must remain set to original specifications. The department name will not include the word "department." Employee names may include middle names, initials, credentials and honorifics as space permits.
Need a new business card, name tag or stationery?

Visit the Marketing Resource Center at the link provided on the left. From the "Home" tab shown in step 2 , scroll down to explore the "Self Service" section of the site.

Official Name Tags

Name tags can be ordered through the Marketing Resource Center's Self Service section.

## $\mathrm{COM} \mid$ College of theMainland.

## Lindsey Souris

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## Step 1:

Visit: https://com0.sharepoint.com/sites/Marketing

## Step 2:

From the Home screen,
scroll down.


## Step 3:

Click on the yellow area titled "Business cards, Name Tags and Stationery" to begin your order.


Name tags are an integral part of the institutional-based advertising category shared amongst partners, media, businesses and the community.
COM's Marketing Resource Center provides a self-service model online to expedite ordering business cards, name tags and stationery.

Given their smaller size, name tags have a very small area to display names and employee information. As a result there are content limitations to ensure everyone, regardless of name length, has equal representation.
Employee names will be displayed in title case on up to two lines in bold (2nd line overflow appears above), a second line in all caps designating the employee's official position (one line only with a limit of 29-30 characters) and a third line in all caps displaying the employee's department name (one line only with a limit of 29-30 characters) All fonts and font sizes must remain set to original specifications. Due to limited line length and to maintain standardized clear space, some position titles may need to be shortened or abbreviated. The department name will not include the word "department." Employee names may include middle names and initials as space permits, but no credentials or honorifics may be used with the exception of "Dr." to be placed in front of an employee name where applicable.
Need a new business card, name tag or stationery?

Visit the Marketing Resource Center at the link provided on the left. From the "Home" tab shown in step 2, scroll down to explore the "Self Service" section of the site.

## Interested in COM branded merchandise?

Visit: https://proformaprostores.com



Quick \& easy!
The COM Proforma Pro Store is full of ready-to-order branded promotional items that have all been pre-approved by the Marketing team.
Login, order and go!

Can't find what you need or have questions about the use of a COM logo? Email: brandapproval@com.edu

## Promotional: COM Product Colors

This page illustrates the master color palette for physical promotional items for use with variants of the COM logo. Please see the following page for specific details.

Primary promotional color palette

| "COM Red" | "COM Yellow" | "COM Blue" |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| PANTONE: 200 C | PANTONE: 143 C | PANTONE: 287 C |
|  |  |  |
| C: 16 | C: 2 | C: 100 |
| M: 100 | M: 32 | M: 87 |
| Y: 86 | K: 91 | Y 20 |
| K: $: 7$ | K: 0 |  |

Secondary color promotional palette


Official COM logos (stacked and horizontal). Please refer to logo guidelines for colors and usage.
$\mathrm{COM} /$ Collegeof theMainland.

Note: In most apparel and promotional items, the COM stacked logo should be used.

To maintain brand integrity, College of the Mainland offers a standardized color palette for promotional items bearing the official COM logo.

This page illustrates the approved colors for physical promotional items which include the brand's primary color palette, select colors from the secondary palette, black, white, various shades of gray, light pink, hot pink and gray-toned camouflage.

Note: All products and items bearing the college name, college acronym, or any official college logo require brand approval through the Marketing office before items are printed, produced or distributed. Please submit requests to brandapproval@ com.edu
Please see the following page for logo color and background color combination usage.

## Promotional: COM Logo Color Combinations

Product colors and corresponding COM logo color use

White COM logo over color


Please note: Gray-toned camouflage requires a white notched COM logo over a black box for legibility. All logos contained in box shapes must follow minimum clear space proportions as shown in example above. The logo should be centered and not encroach the edge of the box, but rather have balanced clear space around it.

Black COM logo over color

| COM | COM |
| :--- | :--- |
| COM | COM |
| COM | COM |
| COM | COM |
| COM | COM |
| COM | COM |
| COM |  |

"COM Blue" logo over color

| COM | COM |
| :--- | :--- |
| COM | COM |
| COM | COM |
| COM | COM |
| COM |  |

Full color COM logo over white


Full color logo over light gray not to exceed $15 \%$ value of black


Due to printing restrictions most promotional items are printed with either a black or white logo. Sufficient contrast between the logo and item color must always be considered for legibility.
Background colors are shown with appropriate COM logo color combinations.

Color exception: In cases where Pantone colors are not possible, navy products may be substituted in place of the COM Blue when using the white COM logo.

The full color COM logo may only be used over a solid white background or light gray with the gray not exceeding a $15 \%$ value of black to maintain legibility.

Please note: Standard embroidery width (Polo shirt, left chest) for the COM stacked logo is 3in wide maintaining proportional height.

## Promotional: Mascot Logo Product Colors

This page illustrates the master color palette for physical promotional items for use with variants of the COM mascot duck logo. Please see the following page for specific details.

Primary promotional color palette

| "COM Red" | "COM Yellow" | "COM Blue" |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PANTONE: 200 C | PANTONE: 143 C | PANTONE: 287 C |
| C: 16 <br> M: 100 <br> Y: 86 <br> K: 7 | C: 2 <br> M: 32 <br> Y: 91 <br> K: 0 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C: } 100 \\ & \text { M: } 87 \\ & \text { Y: } 20 \\ & \text { K: } 11 \end{aligned}$ |

Secondary color promotional palette


Official COM mascot logo. Please refer to mascot logo guidelines in this document for logo information.

To maintain brand integrity, College of the Mainland offers a standardized color palette for promotional items bearing the official COM mascot logo.

This page illustrates the approved colors for physical promotional items which include the brand's primary color palette, select colors from the secondary palette, black, white, various shades of gray, light pink, hot pink and gray-toned camouflage.

Note: All products and items bearing the college name, college acronym, or any official college logo require brand approval through the Marketing office before items are printed, produced or distributed. Please submit requests to brandapproval@ com.edu
Please see the following page for color combination usage.

## Promotional: Hollow One-Color Mascot Logo Color Combinations

Product colors and corresponding COM mascot logo color use.

Hollow white logo over color


Please note: Gray-toned camouflage requires a hollow white mascot logo over a black box for legibility. All logos contained in box shapes must follow clear space proportions as shown above. The logo should not encroach the edge of the box, but rather have balanced space around it.

Hollow black logo over color


Hollow "COM Blue" logo over color


Hollow white logo




The mascot logo comes in two main forms: hollow and solid. This page illustrates hollow color guidelines. Please see solid options on the next page.

Due to printing restrictions most promotional items are printed with either a black or white logo. Sufficient contrast between the logo and item color must always be considered for legibility.
For example, promotional items that are dark in color like COM blue, COM red, or black should always use a white mascot logo.

Background colors are shown with appropriate COM mascot logo color combinations.

Color exception: In cases where Pantone colors are not possible, navy products may be substituted in place of the COM Blue when using the white COM logo.

Please note: The white hollow logo is purposefully designed in a different way compared to the other solid color hollow logos. For example, the white logo allows the dark color of the product to act as the dark areas of the eye. Black and blue hollow logos cannot be changed to white and vice versa.

## Promotional: Solid Full-Color Mascot Color Combinations

Product colors and corresponding COM mascot logo use

Solid full color logo over color


Solid pink logo over color



Full color mascot logos consist of the blue head duck with red COM lettering, and a pink head duck with pink lettering. These solid mascot logos have a limited set of promotional item colors that can be used to maintain contrast and legibility
Background colors are shown with appropriate COM mascot logo color combinations.

Mascot logos used as large graphic elements on shirts, drawstring bags and other products must use large amounts of clear space around all sides of the logo Logos may not be used without adequate clear space. Please reference logo proportions on the shirt examples and bag examples on the left. Marketing's brand approval process will provide final guidance on logo proportions

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Promotional: Meta-Major Logo Usage and Color Combinations

Product colors and corresponding Meta-Major logo color use.

Arts logo over color


Health logo over color


Meta-Major logos are only permitted for use on shirts. Collared shirts display them on the front chest accompanied by the stacked COM logo on the back neck.

T-shirts are opposite with the COM logo on the chest and a large Meta-Major logo on the back.

Science logo over color


Business logo over color


The Meta-Major logos represent high-level curriculum categories at COM. These logos have a limited background color option consisting only of COM Blue (or navy), dark gray, black or white.

Meta-Major logos are currently only permitted for use on shirts. Shirts must display the Meta-Major on the left chest in combination with the stacked COM logo on the back neck. The COM logo must be white or black.

Meta-Major logos consists of white and a dominant native color that must be maintained: Arts is light blue, Business is orange, Health is red, and Science is light green. Colors are derived from COM's secondary color palette. These logos should not be used in black or white, or changed to other colors.
Background colors are shown with appropriate COM Meta-Major logo color combinations.

All shirts bearing MetaMajor logos require brand approval through the Marketing office before items are printed, produced or distributed. Please send brand approval requests to brandapproval@com.edu


Bleed: 0.5 inches for Top, Left and Right. 6 inches for the bottom.

Official signage must follow logo brand guidelines in all applications.

Indoor retractable banners are designed to engage in hallway and expo locations.

Retractable signage must include the vertical COM logo placed at the top, and if representing a department, is followed by a short (one or two word) bold header element in all caps that identifies the department.
Retractables should contain one large focal image or a series of images to draw visual interest. Marketing suggests keeping content high level and simple. It's not good practice to include office contact info such as phone and email.

A retractable's purpose is to act as a large visual backdrop presenting the college name and high-level information attracting people to your table. Once at the table, conversations begin and smaller professional handheld items are given out containing next steps and contact info (i.e., recruitment cards, business cards, flyers, etc).

Need a retractable banner? Submit a request through the Marketing and Public Affairs Marketing Request System at: com.edu/marketing

Please allow a minimum of 4-weeks for your request to be completed.

## Signage \& Design: Facility and Campus Alignment

## Campus Signage \& Design: All Facilities - Design, Finishes \& Wayfinding

As stated on page 4 of these guidelines, the COM brand is more than just a logo. It is the impression and feeling encountered at any of the college's touchpoints. All facilities, whether main campus or external, are college touchpoints. External college facilities are an extension of the COM brand and must maintain the integrity of the brand name and its brand image as an institution of excelience.
As the managing department of the college's brand, the Marketing office requires its involvement and participation in all facility and campus design-related decisions, including exterior and interior signage, wayfinding, parking signage, perimeter and entrance signage, emergency signage, murals, facility interior design, paint colors, finishes, office name plates and all other visual communication aspects from the planning stages through implementation.

Brand approval is required prior to production and implementation for any type of logo use, signage, building lettering, facility exterior and interior design, or their respective modifications.


## Campus Signage Wayfinding: Main Campus - The Onion Philosophy

## Wayfinding Design System Hierarchy of Critical Signage:

## Exterior perimeter (roadway arteries): Perimeter Lead signage

-- Exterior perimeter (campus property): COM Logo (corner structures and building visibility)
--- Exterior perimeter (campus property): Vehicular entrance points
---- Interior perimeter. Parking directionals and parking lot identification
----- Interior perimeter. Donor building names and community-facing facilities (white channel lettering)
------ Interior perimeter. Building monument IDs (vehicular and pedestrian outer-facing)
------- Inner campus: Map monument IDs (pedestrian campus entry points)
------- Inner campus: Foot traffic directionals (pedestrian)
-------- Building interiors: Navigational menus (floor levels with room numbers, journey points)
-------- Building interiors: Navigational floor specific menu (with room numbers)
---------- Building interiors: Room plaques

The Onion Philosophy: The college's wayfinding design system will be designed like the skin of an onion, peeling back layers as you encounter the next level of hierarchy revealing new pertinent information.

The college's name and logo will maintain hierarchical dominance from the highway. As the destination continues, new levels of signage and journey point guidance emerges leading with information of importance.

All college signage (exterior and interior) must maintain a clean, cohesive appearance for a consistent user experience campuswide, that maintains legibility and wayfinding clarity.

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Campus Signage \& Design:

## Navigational Arrows



All wayfinding, interior and exterior, requiring the use of a navigational arrow will use this official brand arrow shape for cohesiveness across the design system No other arrow designs or pointers are permitted. Arrows must maintain their integrity and may not be stretched, squished or distorted.

Arrows will appear in white over a dark, high contrast background color. In limited circumstances, the Marketing brand office may approve a dark arrow over a light background.

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Campus Signage \& Design:
Navigational Arrow Alignment

Navigational menu


Exterior \& Interior Applications: Arrows will always appear on the left of any content menu regardless of the direction the arrows are pointing for a clear navigational structure.

When more than one arrow is used in a navigational menu like this example on the left, arrows should align on their center axis vertically.

All arrows used in the same sign or menu must be used at the same scale.

Distance between an arrow and content example


Depending on the application (exterior to interior), navigational arrows will be used at different scales. To maintain a proportional distance between a navigational arrow and content at any scale, begin with a right-pointing arrow at final scale as a guide. Make a copy of the right-pointing arrow and adjust so the horizontal stalk's width marks the distance between the right-pointing arrow's tip and left edge of the content (i.e., Fine) not including the wingedportion of the arrow shown grayed out above. This distance will establish the left-alignment edge for all menu content regardless if other arrows point in different directions.

Campus Signage \& Design:
Navigational Arrow Alignment

Example 1: Close-up of interior navigational menu


All standard navigational menus will display navigational arrows to the left of menu content.

Arrow size will be determined on the sign's location. In scenarios such as Example 1 where the sign appears in close proximity at eye-level, it illustrates the smallest scale an arrow should appear in relation to content. Note: Using a vertical arrow as a guide, it will always be sized larger than the tallest capital letter of the content and will also extend below the baseline as seen above. The scale of this arrow will be used for other menu items in the same sign pointing the same way or different directions.

In Example 2, users digest information in the vicinity of the sign, but at a further distance. As a result, arrows are intentionally scaled slightly larger. Arrows are aligned on their center axis and all arrows are the same size


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## Campus Signage \& Design:

## Exceptions in Navigational Arrow Alignment

## Exceptions to the arrow alignment rule:

Example 1 shows an interior sign viewed in close walking proximity at eye level. However, for content that is purely numeric the rule has an exception. While arrows are placed to the left as usual, the vertical height of the arrow aligns to the height of the room numbers. Please note, all arrows should be the same size in any design

Example 2 shows a different exception. Exterior Perimeter Lead signage used for vehicular scenarios will have navigational arrows placed in a left-aligned format above grouped sections of content (See Example 2). This allows for easier comprehension in a blocked format for the sign's use case
Navigational billboards (Example 3) uses a design exception with larger navigational arrows blocked into columns for greater interpretation at higher vehicular speeds. The vertical arrow's vertical stalk has also been modified for an even horizontal row height across columns

Example 1: Floor specific rooms


Example 2: Perimeter Lead Signage


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## Signage: Exterior

Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: Building Lettering - Logos

COM Stacked Logo: Doyle Family Administration Building


Exterior facade-mounted COM logos are reserved for strategic points of entry or visibility to the campus and are not intended for use on every building.

COM Stacked Logo: Industrial Careers Building


Exterior facade-mounted COM logos are reserved for strategic points of entry or visibility to the campus and are not intended for use on every building.

All placement of a COM logo will take into account the logo's purpose per usage instance, the building's architecture, logo legibility, integrity, the application of adequate clear space, overall visual composition with the placement. Logo lockup, color and scale may vary per application.

Usage of the COM logo on campus buildings is extremely limited and requires brand approval from the Marketing office

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Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: Building Lettering - Community-Facing

COM Theatre: Fine Arts Building


Community-facing buildings designated within the COM campus include the Police Station and the Theatre. These are identified with white-faced, lit channel lettering, in all caps, left-aligned, with black sides. These signs use the font Roboto Bold set to - 20 tracking and are kerned as needed. Scale should be complimentary to the architecture vs. overpowering and may vary slightly per building instance.

Placement of this lettering should view the building as an overall composition. Location decisions will align with modern typography principles accounting for dynamic placement, clear space and legibility.

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Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding:
Building Lettering - Donor Naming

Doyle Family Administration Building: 16.25 in H channel lettering. Roboto Bold, tracking 90, 5in black depth. See additional details in the right column.


Exterior building donor naming on the college's main campus will follow standardized guidelines to create a cohesive and unified design approach. Naming shall consist of white-faced channel letters, in all caps, created at 16.25 inches high, fabricated aluminum, non-lit with 5 inch deep black sides. These signs use the font Roboto Bold, tracking set to 90 and lettering is kerned as needed for a professional appearance.

Letter placement will take into account each building's architecture, typography best practices, legibility, integrity, adequate clear space, overall visual composition and appropriate locations such as soffits or other areas to accommodate proposed lettering. All lettering and its placement on college buildings will require the marketing department's approval before production can begin.
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Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: Main Campus Perimeter Lead Signs

Aluminum signage | Flush screws | Removable panels | Concrete base

## COMING SOON

## Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: Main Campus Entrance Signs

Aluminum signage | Flush screws | Removable panels | Lighted | Concrete base:
Entrance Signs are located at vehicular campus entry points. These display the COM logo, the entrance number and 3 major destination points. A 4th destination point can be added if absolutely necessary.


## Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: <br> Main Campus Building Monument IDs

Aluminum signage | Flush screws | Removable panels | Concrete base:
Monument IDs are located at building entrances and include the building number, building name and a list of important journey points within the building. The bottom portion of the sign acts as an additional wayfinding element guiding viewers to other campus destinations


## Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: <br> Main Campus Monument Maps

Aluminum signage | Flush screws | Removable panels | Concrete base:
Monument Maps are located at pedestrian inner campus entry points. These contain custom QR codes linking to specific orientation maps online. The bottom portion of the sign acts as an additional wayfinding element guiding viewers to other campus destinations.


Campus Signage Exterior Wayfinding: Main Campus Parking Signs

## COMING SOON

Campus Signage Exterior: Hours of Operation exterior, permanent or temporary) created by internal staff or external parties must be submitted as proofs to the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs for brand approval prior to printing, production, distribution and installation:

## Hours of Operation Monday-Tuesday 8 a.m.-7p.m.

Wednesday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Campus Signage Exterior: External Facilities


External college facilities will align with core branding guidelines.

Building facades of externa facilities are reserved for the display of the COM logo only. The logo will be constructed as white channel letters with black sides. Sizes will vary to align with design and architectural considerations.

The location of external facilities, such as a city name (i.e., "League City"), shall be displayed on the ground-level only.
At night, a light blue indirect back light shines up from behind the center dark blue band, emitting on the top and bottom silver areas (on both sides). All of the letters/logo will light up in white. All areas of the lettering will be constructed so as to appear solid white vs an inconsistent strength Both sides of the ground sign are identical regardless of the travel direction.

All COM facilities requiring a ground sign with accommodating parameters will align with the League City ground sign design specifications.
All external facility signage, address markings, building facade colors, and all other visual aspects require brand approval from the Marketing office prior to implementation.

## Signage: Interior

Campus Signage Interior: Plaque Color Identification

Paint Colors:

$P 2$
SW7577 blackberry

Material Colors:



FORMICA fOLKSTONE 927-58



P5
STANDARD CARBON BLACK N9295P


P6 STANDARD
WHITE SATIN H 64255SP


P7
SW 7674 PEPPERCORN GREY signage (including interior, exterior, permanent or temporary) created by internal staff or external parties must be submitted as proofs to the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs for brand approval prior to printing, production, distribution and installation:
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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Floor Stairwell Plaques

14in WX 15in H Floor Stairwell Sign Specifications:


Accent Stripe Colors:

|  | Level 1 | Level 2 | level 3 | Levela |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ACCENT COLOR BREAKDOWN |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { tual } \\ & \text { nexisues } \end{aligned}$ | manat |  |
| [P1] LEVEL 1 <br> [P2] LEVEL 2 <br> [P3] LEVEL 3 <br> [P4] LEVEL 4 |  |  |  |  | Example: <br> Fourth Floor Stripe Accent Color. SW 761 |

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding Room ID Plaques

6in X 6in Insert Style and Solid Style Room ID Plaques:

Room ID Plaque (6x6in): Insert Style Room Number. Arial, 64.95pt
Room Number Color: \#FFFFFF
Braille Font: BrailleKiama, 26.62pt
Braille Font Color (Line Color): \#000000
*Inserts must be created by the Marketing Dept.


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Room ID Plaque (6x6in): Solid Style
(Longer Text)
Room Number. Arial, 64.95pt
Room Number Color. \#FFFFFF
Braille Font Number Color (Line Color): \#FFFFFF Room Name: Arial, 57.46pt, Leading 68.95pt Room Name Color: \#808080
Braille Font: BrailleKiama, 26.62pt, Leading 31.94pt Braille Font Room Name Color (Line Color): \#000000

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$6 \times 6$ Plaque Accent Stripe Colors

All $6 \times 6$ room ID plaques (insert style or solid style) include a thin accent colored stripe designated by the floor number the plaque appears on. This color code applies to plaques used in all buildings and facilities.


Example:
First Floor Stripe Accent Color. SW 6244


Room plaques will follow a consistent design, standards and appearance throughout all COM facilities.

All room plaques will be ADA compliant. Insert Style plaques will contain both a visual room number and braille room number. Solid Style plaques will contain a visual number and room identification as well as braille for visual markings.

Fonts for all plaques shall remain consistent in font type, size, color and style.

Insert Style and Solid Style room plaques include a thin colored stripe designated by the floor number the plaque appears on. See the stripe color floor reference chart below.

Room plaque inserts are created and managed by the Marketing department Please submit a marketing request for new insert labels.

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Room ID Insert Style Plaques

6in X 6 in Insert Style Plaque Specifications:


## Accent Stripe Colors: <br> Accent Stripe Colors:



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## Campus Signage Interior: <br> Room ID Insert Style Plaque Labels

All insertable labels for use in room plaques will be created by the Marketing department to maintain a cohesive and unified appearance across all campus and facility interiors. All inserts will use one of 3 standardized options shown below. Two of these options are designed for employees displaying name, title and department, and one is to designate non-permanent room usage.

Employee Offices:

Single line name, single line title and single line department


Double lined name, single line title
and single line department
$\square$

## DOUBLE LINE FIRST AND

LAST NAME
position title
departmentname

## Non-permanent Rooms:

Description will designate current room usage. Lettering will be displayed at 33pt with 34pt leading not to exceed two lines.
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$\qquad$

## YOGA/PILATES

Note: Rooms with a usage or purpose that will never change use a Solid Style plaque.

All Insert Style room plaques will use official insertable labels created by the marketing department to ensure a cohesive brand appearance is maintained across the college campus and its external facilities.

Each insert label will serve only one purpose displaying either.

1) one employee's name, their official title and department or
2) designation of a room whose purpose may potentially change in the foreseeable future displaying a short description not to exceed two lines of text

Lettering will be displayed in all caps, centeraligned and positioned with adequate clear space created by the Marketing office. Font sizes, colors and styling must remain consistent at all times and cannot vary per plaque. The word "Department" will be included following all department names for clarity and to avoid awkward display patterns on short department names (i.e., Nursing Department). Kerning will be applied as necessary. All insertable labels will be printed on white paper with a light gray box.

Employee names may only use a first and last name. Names will not contain honorifics, *middle names, post-nominal letters or other additions. Employee position titles must use the official title granted upon employment. Employees who officially go by an initial-based first name may display it (i.e., R.E. Davis, H. Russ Brown). A middle name or initial may be used as space allows. Suffixes may be included (Jr., Sr., III, etc).

Receptionist areas that do not have a wallmounted room plaque will not use insert labels These areas will purchase and use a professionallooking, non-adhesive and free-standing desk name plate of their choice.

Need a new room plaque insert label? Please submit a marketing request containing information needed. Please email questions to:

## brandapproval@com.edu

Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Room ID Solid Style Plaques

6in X 6in Solid Style Plaque Specifications:


Accent Stripe Colors:


## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Restroom Plaques

Bin X 8in Plaque "Restroom" \& "Family" Specifications:

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Accent Stripe Colors:

| ACCENT COLOR BREAKDOWN | Level 1 | level 2 | Level ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Leveis |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| [P1] LEVEL 1 <br> [P2] LEVEL 2 <br> [P3] LEVEL 3 |  |  |  |  | Example: Fourth Floor |
| [P4] LEVEL 4 | RESTROOM | RESTROOM | RESTROOM | RESTROOM | Stripe Accent Color. SW 7618 |

## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Restroom Plaques

8in X 8in Plaque "Men" \& "Women" Specifications:


Accent Stripe Colors:
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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Back of House Plaques

8.5in X 3.5in Back of House Plaque Specifications and Examples:


Examples: Corridor-facing solid skinny plaques.


Back of House plaques identify rooms for Facilities employees only or other authorized staff.

There are five room identifications for these plaques: Electrical, Mechanical, Custodial, IDF and Storage.

These rooms will display a skinny solid plaque design with the name in all caps and braille below it.
Back of house room numbering options:

1) If facing a corridor, the room number shall be in sequence with hallway room numbers. 2) If located internally within a room, the room number shall adopt the parent room's three-digit number facing the hallway. 3) If located within a suite, the room number will adopt the suite's hallway number followed by a hyphen and a two-digit sequence used for each room within the suite (i.e., 200-01, 200-02, etc).

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Back of House Fire Alarm Control Panel (FACP)

## Fire Alarm Control Panel Signage Specifications and Example:

NFPA standard is for identifying the location of the Fire Alarm Control Panel (FACP).

NFPA 72 3.3.99 Fire Alarm Control Unit. (FACU or FACP)
A component of the fire alarm system, provided with primary and secondary power sources, which receives signals from initiating devices or other fire alarm control units, and processes these signals to determine part or all of the required fire alarm system output function(s)
Rooms containing the "Fire Alarm Control Panel" should have identifying signage with white reflective letters on a red background, and should be permanently attached to the interior of the door of the Sprinkler Riser Room, at normal eye level.

The sign should be mounted on the door leading to the fire alarm control panel(s) unless otherwise approved by the Office of the Fire Marshal.

Note: The Fire Marshal will determine what the sign says as well as the size of sign needed and may include specific requirements. These requirements should be provided to the Marketing department through brandapproval@com.edu who will assist with the design and sign production.
With the Fire Marshal's approval, FACP signs will maintain a consistent look throughout COM facilities (ideally using a red background with white lettering).


Example: Fine Arts Building

Back of House signage identify rooms for Facility employees only or other authorized staff

Fire Alarm Control Pane (FACP) signage (color, size etc) will be determined by the Fire Marshal. Based on those parameters, the Marketing office will assist with the sign's design creation, brand approval and production assistance.

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Egress Map Plaques



## Level 1

Level 2
Level 3


Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Journey Point Navigation

Journey Point Navigation
Specifications
(Non-room specific):

Journey point destination signage displays the name of a location vs. a list of room numbers.

This signage maintains standards of blue backgrounds with white lettering, consistent font sizes and
navigational arrow placement.

## $\uparrow$ Showers $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ Sauna

Example 2

## $\rightarrow$ Gym <br> Administrative Offices

## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Elevator Communications

## Elevator Visual Treatment Specifications:

Elevator entrance walls will be painted with Sherwin Williams zero vapor paint in the color Real Red (SW 6868). Floor numbers are written in Roboto Bold, created in white vinyl. Final number height may vary depending on ceiling space above the elevator door and filling the adjacent space in a visually dynamic but cohesive way

Important: All walls where vinyl treatments will be applied must be painted with zero vapor paint for proper vinyl adhesion

Example: Industrial Careers Building (different ceiling heights) 63 in H vinyl number with proportional widths.


Example: Student Center. Metal wall (2 different ceiling heights)
84in H vinyl numbers with proportional widths.
Level 1 and Level 2 markings on elevator areas shown below are not a current standard.


As a navigational cue and cohesive identity, all elevator facing walls within the constraints of the entry points will be painted red using Sherwin Williams, Zero Vapor paint, color Real Red (SW 6868) from floor to ceiling. In addition, a large white vinyl number identifying the floor level will be applied to the right of the furthest elevator. The number will be positioned elevated on the wall with the top of the number cupping the top of the elevator framed entrance. As conditions will vary, the large number will wrap around and be cropped on adjacent walls as needed.

In some instances, such as the Student Center, the elevator is a self contained red wall. Please align elevator entrance red wall designations with Marketing prior to painting
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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Elevator Communications

## 4in X 4in Marker Plate Specifications:



## STEAM building example:

Important: Per building instance, elevators should be named using letters (i.e., "Elevator A", Elevator B", etc.) as opposed to "Elevator 1", etc. to avoid confusion with wayfinding regarding numeric floor levels.

## Multi-Elevator Identification Plaque

## Specifications:

- Total sign size: 7in W x 9.25 H
- 1/2in radius corners
- Location: Wall mount to the left of elevator door:
- Sign top edge position - Marketing discretion.
- Background Upper portion color. CMYK 0, 0, 0, 100
- Background Lower portion color. CMYK 0, 0, 0, 75
- Text "ELEVATOR": Roboto Bold, 87.56pt, tracking -11, all caps, white, centered and left-aligned
- Text letter identifier "A", "B", etc.: Roboto Bold, 346pt, all caps, white, left-aligned
- Text description "All floor access": Sentence case, white, left-aligned, font: Roboto Bold, 35pt, leading 42pt, tracking 0

Example A


Example B


Lower gray area is only used for elevator-related directional instructions. All elevator plaque identification will display "All floor access." in the bottom gray band (See example B) unless other descriptive criteria is required (See example A). In the event the description text must be longer, the sign's dimensions can be extended down, but all text must maintain its original font size and left-alignment for a cohesive appearance with other signage. Navigational arrows as shown in Example A must maintain its size when used (it may not be shrunk or enlarged).

Elevator communications address individual elevator naming and visual floor designations.

Multi-Elevator plaques are only displayed in buildings where more than one elevator exists on the same floor but with different location entry points (or a specific elevator reaches a level the other does not). Plaque identification will be white lettering over black and medium gray signage.
Important: Per building instance, elevators should be named using letters (i.e., "Elevator A", Elevator B", etc.) to avoid confusion with wayfinding regarding numeric floor levels. This includes $4 \times 4$ in elevator plates. This is especially critical where more than one elevator exists in a particular building with multiple floors (i.e., STEAM).

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: All Floor Menus

## Menu Specifications (All Floors):



Industrial Careers Building menu example: Portable floor "Donkey" sign


STEAM building example:
Digital display floor levels menu. $1920 \times 1080$
Font: Floor level number. Roboto Bold
Font: Room number navigation: Roboto Bold Condensed

Menu layouts include the word "FLOOR" rotated $90^{\circ}$ in black next to floor level number.

All floors menu navigation appear on clings inside elevators, portable "donkey" signs and potentially in other locations including walls to the right of elevator entry points and entry points within building hallways. A menu may also be displayed on a "Digital Display" TV within the building. These signs visually align with other room directionals and are designated in bright blue with white lettering. Room types (i.e., STEM, ICB, etc) are derived from what appears on a student's class schedule. *Note: STEAM building classes are noted as "STEM" on class schedules.

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Floor Specific Menus

Room Number Navigation
Specifications (Floor Specific):

STEAM building examples:
Wall-mounted, floor specific navigation is located at eye level across from, or in very close proximity of, elevator exit points. Floor specific navigational signs should be
placed at least 18in (left or right) from wall edges or corners, door frames or other visual wall disruptions.

- Sign width: 18.25 in
- Sign vertical height 17.25 in - but height may vary (See example 3).
- 1/2in round corners.
- Room type (i.e., "STEM", "ICB", etc) placed in horizontal dark blue band
- Title Font (in dark blue band): Roboto Bold Condensed, white, all caps, left-aligned, Font size: 119pt
- Numeric Font: Roboto Bold Condensed, white, left-aligned, Font size: 184pt, kerned as needed. - Brand arrows centered along vertical axis. (See brand arrows section in this document for more information) Lower gray area is only used for elevator-related directional instructions.
Note: The gray band will always be used if elevator instructions exist.
Font (in gray area): Roboto Bold, 60pt, leading 72pt, tracking 0, white, sentence case, left-aligned.
- The white arrow should be positioned centered vertically within the gray band.
- Two lines of content will be positioned centered vertically within the gray band.
- A single line of content will remain positioned as though there is a blank line of content below it.
There should be no more than 2 lines of text in this area.

Example 1: Appears on floor 1


Example 3: Appears on floor 4

## STEM LABS

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Floor specific signs detail room number navigation only at the current floor level. With exterior wayfinding signs colored in darker blues, interior wayfinding signage lightens up to brighter blue layer of navigation indoors. The bright blue intentionally is meant to stand apart from a sea of neutral and gray room plaques with a philosophy to elevate the visual aspect of directionals vs the journey's end point.

Room types (i.e., STEM, ICB, etc) are derived from what appears on a student's class schedule. *Note: STEAM building classes are noted as "STEM" on class schedules.

The lower gray area is reserved for elevator-related directional instructions only.

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## Campus Signage Interior Wayfinding: Glass Window Vinyl Lettering

## Tier 1:

Minimum front office glass width requirement: 180in Vinyl Letter Font: Roboto Bold. Title Case. -20 tracking Color. White. Kerning.
Capital letter height: 10.5 in


194in

## Tier 3:

Minimum front office glass width requirement: 80in Vinyl Letter Font: Roboto Bold. Title Case. tracking -20 Color. White. Kerning. Capital letter height: 4.5 in


83in

Vinyl lettering applications for all building interior office spaces are divided into three tiers: Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3. These tiers determine the font's scale proportionate to the office window space available to maintain a cohesive experience.
For window vinyl lettering consideration, the office space must:

1) frequently be an active community touchpoint or active student-visited location, and 2) the office space must fall into one of the three tiers with glass dimensions aligning within one of the designated tiers shown on the left, and 3) the office space must be a single department occupancy.

Vinyl installation must account for adequate clear space around lettering including edge of text to edge of window frame. Lettering should be placed on the upper third of the glass frame.

All campus and building signage (including interior, exterior, permanent or temporary) will receive final approval through the Office of Marketing and Public Affairs prior to printing, production, distribution and installation:
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## Campus Signage Interior: Mural Communications

## Wall Mural Specifications:

All vinyl wall murals or vinyl lettering applications require wall pretreatment preparations including wall smoothing to eliminate protrusions or divots of any size and full wall painting using Sherwin Williams Zero Vapor paint to ensure maximum vinyl adhesion.

Wall mural applications within COM buildings and facilities are strategically designed with considerations regarding building audiences, student success, evoking a positive nature, architectural considerations, color theory, visibility, navigational cues and traffic flows, overall multi-mural cohesiveness, modern and timeless elements, brand alignment, as well as inspirational and motivational impacts.

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Campus Signage Interior: Temporary Notices

Correct use of a suction cup approach to post office hours or office notifications to an office's glass window.


Incorrect use: Taping signage (i.e., flyers, notices, etc) to any facility walls, elevators, doors, glass windows or other surfaces is not permitted.


To maintain a professional appearance throughout COM facilities while avoiding damage to walls and painted surfaces, no signage or advertisements (including flyers, posters, notices, office hours, club materials, etc.) may be applied with tape, adhesives or other forms of tacking directly to any facility walls, doors, elevators, glass windows or other surfaces.

Marketing approved advertising materials may only be hung on designated bulletin board surfaces or placed on lobby area tables including waiting area tables on the first and second floor of the Admin building, or the Amoco Student Commons area on the first floor of the STEAM building. Materials should be removed after their expiration.
Office locations interested in posting hours or notifications on glass windows should use a suction cup based approach as shown on the left.

Please note, all materials hung or distributed at the College of the Mainland campus, or its external facilities, must either be official approved COM marketing-produced materials or COM specific club materials.

Distribution of unapproved non-COM materials within college property is not permitted.

## Signage: Vehicular

Campus Signage:

## Vehicular

The COM marketing office manages branding of all college vehicles bearing the college logo, written college name "College of the Mainland" and other college seals including Public Service Careers vehicles


Campus vehicles bearing the college brand must also follow logo usage requirements detailed in these guidelines.

Logo placement should include clear space around the logo without any automotive design elements (both vehicle indentions/ extrusions, or other visual elements) encroaching or invading the logo's clear space.
The color choice of the COM logo used should also compliment and visually align with the color of the vehicle.

Vehicles requiring the college name or a COM logo should submit a request to brandapproval@com.edu

## Brand Campaign: Be Bold. Fly High.


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## Brand Campaign: Be Bold Fly High Examples



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## Branding: Clubs and Organizations

Clubs, Student Organizations and Organized Groups


All student club and organization logos that would like to use the words "College of the Mainland" in their logo require the logo's design to be created fully by the Marketing department.


> PLEASE NOTE:
> If an individual or group is interested in creating a group shirt (like their family or friends are going to DisneyWorld and they're all wearing matching shirts), and it is completely reserved for their personal lives, and they are in no way attempting to represent themselves as an affiliate of COM, an official COM department, an approved partner, program or club or other entity that shows intention of commercial affiliation, then they are free to write the words "College of the Mainland" on their shirts along with their group name (i.e., " 50 plus photography team", etc.). This will not require a review and brand approval from the Marketing department. Please note, official COM logos are not permitted for use.

> The key words here are "use for their personal lives."

Student clubs and organizations are often interested in logos to visually represent themselves. These clubs and organizations are free to design their own logos.
The word "Club" can be used, but is no longer required as part of a club's or organization's logo as some may choose to be described as an alliance, association, or other description.

However, if the words "College of the Mainland" are desired as part of a club or student organization logo, then the logo must be created by the marketing department.

All logo designs for clubs and student organizations may not use the official college logo or any modification of the official college logo.

In the rare instance that a logo design requires the purchase of stock imagery, the club or organization requesting this imagery would be responsible for those asset purchases.

Note: Please see information to the left regarding personal use scenarios.

Please contact the COM Marketing office to submit a logo design request or if you have any brand related questions.
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## A Cohesive Brand Experience



These Brand Guidelines illustrate the college's goals o deliver a consistent message on-campus and throughout our community.

Working together to maintain the integrity of our brand we communicate to the world that College of the Mainland is a respected institution of quality and academic excellence.

The Office of Marketing and Public Affairs looks forward to working with you on all of your specific requests. Please reach out with any questions you may have.

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[^0]:    Brand arrows can be positioned vertical, downward, right, left and at $45^{\circ}$

