# BondUpdate



#### CLACKAMAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S BOND PROJECTS QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

# CCC to celebrate Manufacturing Day

Clackamas Community College is celebrating National Manufacturing Day by holding a grand opening of its new Industrial Technology Center (ITC).

On Oct. 5, the college will invite high school students, area businesses and the community at large to tour our new facility and learn about the programs in the ITC. The day will be capped with a grand opening event at 4 p.m., which will include a short program, a ribbon cutting, refreshments and student-led tours of the building.

Breaking the conception that manufacturing is dirty work performed on antiquated tools, the ITC features state-of-the-art machines and technology. The facility will house the college's manufacturing, CNC machining and renewable energy programs. It increases the college's teaching, training and partner space, while being flexible to meet the changing needs of regional partnership programs.

Come celebrate with us!





### CCC continues to grow

Since its inception more than 50 years ago, Clackamas Community College has provided high-quality, affordable education to the residents of Clackamas County and beyond. This steadfast dedication to the community continues as the college expands.

Clackamas Community College broke ground June 1 on its new transit center and the expansion of its science building, DeJardin Hall, on the Oregon City campus.

The science building expansion will expose students to modern, industry standard, scientific work environments, which are similar to what they will find when they transfer to a university. This project will serve all science and allied health majors. The addition of student collaboration spaces and support for the STEM Club will grow student retention.

This project is funded through a bond measure passed by the community in 2014 along with an \$8-million matching grant from the state. The expansion is slated to be completed spring 2019.



The new transit center is funded in part by a \$1.76-million grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation's *Connect*Oregon program. The project will modernize and expand transit facilities by constructing a transit center with 12 bus bays. Buses play an important role in accessing education, as 16 percent of CCC students commute to and from the college via public transit.

For more information about CCC's bond projects, visit www.clackamas. edu/BondInformation.

# College conducts space analysis



As Clackamas Community College continues to grow and expand into new spaces, the college wants to ensure services and resources are where students need them.

Last winter, CCC conducted a space analysis of its Oregon City campus with the goals of:

- Improving student experience with a focus on guided pathways
- Determining programming for the student services building
- Maximizing use of space that will be vacated due to bond projects
- Staying within budget for the bond program



The college community was involved in the process by participating in open houses, department meetings and brainstorming sessions.

The analysis recommended that the college continue to be responsive to meeting student needs by constructing a "one-stop" student services center. Currently, students must travel between several buildings to buy textbooks, get financial aid and receiving advising. By co-locating these services, the chances of student success greatly increase.

This fall, the college will conduct the planning and programming for the new student services building. Construction is slated to begin spring of 2020 with completion summer of 2021.

# **ELC renovation complete**

Though technically not a bond project, Clackamas Community College recently finished the restoration of its Environmental Learning Center. To celebrate, the college held a Discovery Day at the ELC on June 7.

The college and the ELC have shared a long history. The relationship was shaped around a vision of environmental learning and stewardship. Today, the ELC is a coveted indoor and outdoor classroom for college-wide programs, such as Water and Environmental Technology. It also continues to attract regional universities and local community educational partners. Thanks to a Metro Nature in Neighborhoods grant, community members and the college, the 5-acre Environmental Learning Center underwent a major restoration. It has been rebuilt into a regionally significant outdoor learning laboratory that will continue to showcase innovations in stormwater management, landscape design and sustainable living practices.

In addition to improving the site's ability to manage and clean the stormwater flowing off of campus, this restoration includes the addition of an outdoor amphitheater, building improvements, parking lot renovations, native plant restoration, walking trail adjustments, interpretive signage and many other features.

"The Environmental Learning Center has been a valued resource for the community for more than 40 years," Renee Harber, ELC program director, said. "We are proud to continue the grassroots tradition of the ELC and environmental education."

A true community resource, the ELC is open for the public to explore and enjoy. The college also offers field trip opportunities, summer camps and adult community education.

For more information about the ELC, visit www.clackamas.edu/ELC.





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