



LAS POSITAS

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Student Services Monthly Newsletter

May 2018

PROPOSED INCREASES TO STUDENT FEES

On May 15, 2018, the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees will be considering two proposals to increase student fees effective summer 2018. The first proposal includes increasing the cost of official transcripts. Per Board Policy 5030 - Fees, "the Chancellor is authorized to establish the fee, which shall not to exceed the actual cost of furnishing copies of any student record." The second proposal includes increasing the cost of parking fees. It has been over 17 years since the last time parking fees were increased at Chabot College and Las Positas College. Parking fees are used primarily to fund the Office of Campus Safety and Security at both colleges.

2018 FACILITIES MASTER PLAN

Do you want to learn about the progress that has been made thus far with regards to the 2018 Facilities Master Plan? Do you want to provide input for the 2018 Facilities Master Plan? If so, you are encouraged to preview the draft plans and options during three (3) presentations scheduled for May 10, 2018 at 9:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. There will also be an opportunity where you will be able to view the draft plans without attending a presentation. Additional information will be sent in the coming days. Student Services representatives have advocated for a new Student Union building to include a Bookstore, Cafeteria, Student Health Center, Student Life, and the Veterans Resource Center. Student Services representatives have also advocated for an events center.

COMMENCEMENT 2018

Las Positas College will be hosting its 28th Annual Commencement on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Physical Education Complex, Building 2500. It is anticipated that over 300 graduates will participate in this year's celebration. Each graduate will be eligible to receive up to three (3) tickets for guests. Additional information is available online and will be sent electronically to graduates.



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

- **May 15th and 16th**
Prep 2 Pass
- **May 18th**
Scholarship Awards
Night
- **May 21st - 25th**
Spring Semester
Final Examinations
- **May 26th**
Commencement
Ceremony



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION TAKEN IN APRIL 2018

On April 17, 2018, the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees took action on a memorandum of understanding and a resolution that have a direct impact on serving students. The board approved the Student Mobility Initiative which led to the approval of a new memorandum of understanding with the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority (LAVTA) to provide bus service to students with the payment of a transportation fee effective Fall Semester 2018. Students enrolled in six or more units will pay \$9 per semester and students enrolled in less than six units will pay \$8 per semester. The board also approved a resolution in support of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) which included a statement that read, "our community college campuses...[are] committed to provide a safe learning environment for all, free from harassment and discrimination."

LACTATION ROOM

The Las Positas College Student Health & Wellness Center recently announced that a private room within the center has been identified to serve as a lactation room. The lactation room will be open to students, employees, and campus visitors during normal business hours. Plans are underway to identify another room on-campus to be utilized when the Student Health & Wellness Center is closed. This information will be posted on the center's webpage.

COUNSELING PLANNING RETREAT

The Student Services Division will be hosting a Counseling Planning Retreat on May 18, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on-campus. The emphasis of the retreat will be to improve communication and provide an opportunity for teambuilding and program planning for the 2018-2019 Academic Year under the leadership of Elizabeth David, Dean of Student Services. Arrangements for Flex will be offered to attendees.

CAMPUS SAFETY & SEXUAL ASSAULT ALLOCATION

Earlier this spring, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office notified all California community colleges that "the California State Legislature approved \$2.5 million dollars of one-time funding in the 2017-18 State Budget to support compliance with state and federal requirements regarding preventing and addressing sexual harassment, including sexual violence, involving a student, both on and off campus. To assist colleges in complying with these mandates, these funds will be distributed to all colleges without condition." Las Positas College was allocated \$17,841 to be expended by June 30, 2020. Additional information is forthcoming.

NEWS FROM THE TEAM

Do you have an upcoming event, a new initiative, or news that you would like to share with our Student Services team? I am happy to consider your recommendations for future issues of our newsletter. Please e-mail your information to wgarcia@laspositascollege.edu.

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