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The President's Monthly Report to the Board of Trustees, Campus, and Community

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## 2023-2024 LPC President's Scholars Selected



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The 2023-24 Las Positas College President's Scholars have been selected for the upcoming academic year. Twenty local area high school graduates who represent the rich diversity of our community, demonstrate a commitment for academic success, and dedication to accomplish their educational and career goals will serve as student ambassadors and have the opportunity to represent the college and share their experiences with our campus and broader community. The scholars receive a full scholarship that covers tuition, fees, parking, and textbooks for two years. This program also offers outstanding opportunities for leadership, service and mentorship. The LPC President's Scholars Program is a financial need-based program that is intended to promote equity in opportunity for high achieving students by providing support throughout their two years at Las Positas College. Congratulations to all of the new LPC President's Scholars.

# LPC brings "Footloose" to the Stage This Summer



LPC Theater Arts is bringing its production of the musical "Footloose," to the Barbara Mertes Center for the Arts outdoor amphitheater this summer. The play will run for two weekends only, July 21-22 and July 28-29, at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Based on the popular 1984 film, the musical tells the story of Ren McCormack, a teenage boy from Chicago who moves to a small town where dancing and rock music are banned. With a powerful rock and pop score, including hits like "Footloose", "Let's Hear It for the Boy" and "Holding Out for a Hero," the show promises an evening of non-stop entertainment.

## The Las Positas Free Tuition Promise for 2023-2024

Las Positas College is experiencing increased enrollment this summer 2023, compared to enrollment in summer 2022. In addition, early enrollment numbers for fall 2023 are showing even more significant gains compared to the enrollment period for fall 2022 at this time last year. In an effort to make college even more accessible to our community, we now offer free tuition for first-time, full-time students. First-time college students that have not attended college before. Students who have earned college credit prior to high school graduation or new students enrolled at Las Positas College this summer immediately prior to fall 2023 are eligible.

Students must be enrolled in, and must complete, 12 or more units per semester during fall 2023 and spring 2024. For more information, please visit: <https://www.laspositascollege.edu/freetuition/index.php>





# New Spaces and More at LPC



*Public Safety Complex / Advance Manufacturing and Transportation*



LPC is proud to announce that it is on schedule to open the new Academic Support and Office Building, the Public Safety Complex, and the Advanced Manufacturing and Transportation Building this fall 2023. These buildings were funded by the Facilities Modernization Program Measure B & A.

The Public Safety Complex (PSC) and Advanced Manufacturing and Transportation (AMT) building will be co-located to allow for shared linkages between the various programs, classrooms and event spaces. The buildings are near existing track and field in the northeastern portions of the upper campus.

The new Academic Support and Office Building was built in the location of old building 2100 and 2200. The project will house the English, Math Center, and Computer Studies incorporating classrooms, computer labs, tutoring center, and study areas that will also house the Math Emporium. This building will also have a renovated and expanded space for library functions and 80 Faculty offices, Dean's suites, Adjunct Faculty spaces, and student spaces. Grand opening events will be announced during Town Meetings.



*B2100 New Academic Support & Office Building*



# DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	Event
July 21-29	Footloose - LPC Theater Performance
August 14	Convocation Day @ Chabot College
August 15	College Day
August 16	Fall semester begins (full-term classes only)
August 19	Instruction begins for Saturday classes
September 1	Last day to ADD/DROP with No Grade-of-Record (NGR) - In Person (full-term classes)
September 2	College closed - no Saturday classes
September 4	Last day to ADD/DROP with No Grade-of-Record (NGR) - Online (full-term classes)
September 4	Holiday - Labor Day (college closed)
September 5	CENSUS date (full-term classes only)
September 16	Black Family Day
October 19	Flex Day (All classes scheduled before 4:00 pm canceled; however, classes beginning after 4:00 pm will meet as scheduled)

## LPC Mission

Las Positas College is an inclusive, learning-centered, equity-focused environment that offers educational opportunities and support for completion of students' transfer, degree, and career-technical goals while promoting lifelong learning.

## College Planning Priorities

Establish a knowledge base and an appreciation for equity; create a sense of urgency about moving toward equity; institutionalize equity in decision-making, assessment, and accountability; and build capacity to resolve inequities.

Increase student success and completion through change in college practices and processes: coordinating needed academic support, removing barriers, and supporting focused professional development across the campus.

