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Compton Community College District Celebrates Opening of Allied Health Building

The Compton Community College District (CCCD) held a grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for the all-new Allied Health Building on January 26, 2016. It is the first new instructional building constructed on district grounds since the 1990s.

The Nursing and Child Development programs for El Camino College Compton Center will be housed in the state-of-the-art, 20,350-square-foot building. The \$13.5 million Allied Health Building is made possible with funds from the District's 2002 Measure CC facilities bond and State Capital Outlay monies.

“We want to thank the communities in the Compton Community College District for supporting the funding of this building through the passage of Measure CC,” said Keith Curry, CEO for the CCCD and provost for ECC Compton Center. “Voters have continued that support with the passage of Measure C in 2014, ensuring improved facilities and educational opportunities for students well into the future.”

The Allied Health Building features three classrooms, one lecture hall, one simulation lab, four health science labs, 11 faculty offices and an office for the dean of student learning, a computer lab, and a student lounge. Each health science lab can be set up to provide for a variety of learning experiences. The building also has wireless access throughout and “smart” classroom technology.

The simulation lab features high fidelity mannequins that mimic the human body. This lab facilitates a classroom/laboratory setting for nursing students to learn the skills necessary to be effective in the real environment. Equipped with three beds, a male dummy, a female dummy, an infant dummy and monitored by cameras, a speaker and a microphone for instructor/student communication on the procedures to be performed.

Current ECC Compton Center nursing students have expressed their gratitude for being able to complete their education and training toward an associate degree in nursing in the new Allied Health Building. “We truly appreciate all of the technology and beauty of this

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Allied Health Building at Compton Center 2-2-2-2

building,” said Kristen Freeman, a nursing student at ECC Compton Center. “We now have a student lounge where we can get together in groups to discuss nursing concepts; a computer lab to study for ATI nursing exams; and a simulation lab where we can apply theory and learn through practice.”

The building also incorporates sustainable features such as an efficient lighting control system, skylights for natural lighting, a drought resistant landscape, a storm-water retaining system for watering nearby landscaping.

The Allied Health Building is located at the northwest corner of campus near Parking Lot F and the Greenleaf Avenue entrance.

About the Compton Community College District

Board meetings are usually held the third Tuesday of each month and are open to the public. The District is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.

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