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## Press Release

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## New Website Excitement Stirring at Solano Community College

FAIRFIELD, CA, AUGUST 9, 2012: Solano Community College (SCC) is proud to announce the launch of its NEW and IMPROVED WEBSITE! Beginning Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, the web address known as <u>www.solano.edu</u> will have a new look, in addition to advanced website features designed by the College's Information Technology department. The site is fully equipped with the following improvements:

- Modern and user-friendly design with emphasis on the student point of view;
- New homepage slide-show for featuring current events;
- Graphic banners on all pages;
- Improved organization and structure featuring new service area portals for browsing all services;
- Enhanced user navigation;
- New student tabs will help guide new, continuing, high school and international students;
- New and improved search functions featuring a Staff Directory and a new search powered by Google;
- The technology behind the scene is now running under a Linux environment using PHP, XML, JavaScript, and CSS. PHP allows for faster, more dynamic editing and updating.

In addition to the newly established web features, the following improvements will be coming soon:

- Omni Update content management system;
- A new design for the My Solano homepage;

- WordPress sites (example, math, horticulture, basic skills, etc.);
- New tabs to be added will include: alumni and retirees, online students, and other groups.

James Calilan, Interim Director of Technology Services & Support comments, "We are extremely proud to introduce the College's new website to our students, faculty, staff, and the community! Solano Community College has been in existence for over 65 years. We know the importance of advancing with the times; therefore, it is our hope the new website marks the beginning of many more technology advancements. We will continue to work hard to evolve our technology usage at the College."

Effective Monday, August 13th, the new Solano Community College website will replace the old and the url/address will be <u>http://www.solano.edu</u>.

For questions regarding the website, please contact James Calilan at 707.864.7104 or james.calilan@solano.edu.

## About Solano Community College:

The College has served as the preeminent educational institution in Solano County since 1945 when it was founded as Vallejo Junior College. In the early 1970s, the College moved to its present Fairfield site, and is currently serving over 20,000 students throughout the academic year.

In addition to the main campus in Fairfield, the College has one Center in Vacaville, and one in Vallejo. To further serve the community, SCC offers courses at Travis Air Force Base, and operates a School of Aeronautics at the Nut Tree Airport.

Currently, Solano Community College offers Associate Degrees and Certificates in various disciplines, to include transfer courses to CSU and UC, and provides training in several trades. For more information, please visit us at <u>www.solano.edu</u>.

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