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SCCD Moving Towards Becoming a Totally Smoke-Free College District

FAIRFIELD, CA, AUGUST 10, 2012: Solano Community College District (SCCD) is on the record as a SMOKE-FREE college environment. Effective August 1, 2012, SCCD implemented its new smoke-free campus policy, which will allow smoking in limited areas throughout campus during the 2012-2013 academic year and will then completely transition to a NON-SMOKING campus effective July 1, 2013. The Governing Board approved the motion after campus wide surveys were conducted to demonstrate the support of becoming a smoke-free district. The proposal was supported by over half of the student body and 70 percent of the District's employee group.

SCCD has joined over 30 California Community Colleges in becoming a healthier, safer, cleaner campus for all constituent groups involved; and all Universities of California will be smoke free by 2014. At Solano Community College, a one-year transition period will occur, in which limited/temporary smoking areas will be designated, the new policy will be advertised, and information about Smoking Cessation courses will be posted in the Student Health Center.

Temporary campus smoking designations include the following:

- Fairfield Campus: North/West corner of the tennis courts near building 1800A.
- Vacaville Campus: Rear courtyard
- Vallejo Campus: Rear courtyard

“It is important that our internal community has ample time to adjust to the new designation,” comments Steven Dawson, SCCD Chief of Police. “A smoke-free environment will help make the College more ecological and a more enjoyable place to learn, work, and play.”

For additional information about the new policy, please contact Dr. Jerry Kea, Vallejo Center Dean at 707.864.7000, ext. 4624 or Steve Dawson at 707.864.7131.

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 www.solano.edu.

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