Stockton Students Move In as New Residential Complex Opens

State-of-the-Art “Learning Communities” to Provide Unique Experience to Students for On-Campus Living

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Galloway Twp., NJ – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will enter a new era in student housing on Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2008 when the first residents of the Housing V “Learning Community” move into the new complex. Students will begin moving in at 9 a.m. and most are expected to be settled into their accommodations by noon.

Two of the six planned buildings will open at the above-stated date and time, with two buildings to be completed by May of this year and two more for the Fall 2008 semester. Each building houses 64 students. Thus, a total of 128 students will be moving in to open the first phase of the project. When the remaining buildings open, a total of 384 students will reside in the complex.

“These new buildings go beyond the norm in student housing," Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr. said. "It’s not quite accurate to refer to them as dorms or residence halls. They are ‘learning communities' designed to bring students together and to encourage community engagement.”

Each four-person residential suite includes four private bedrooms, a shared mini-kitchen, living and bathroom facilities. Technology features include a cashless one-card system for security entry and purchases. The buildings meet the LEED Green Building Rating System standard for sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality. Each building has a rectangular footprint measuring 180 feet by 50 feet.

Social lounges, Laundromat facilities with television and cable, flat screen TV and pool tables, study pods and quiet study areas are a few of the included features. Student focus groups provided input for the project.

Hillier Architecture of Princeton, NJ served as the principal design team, Sambe Constructon Co. of Pennsauken is building the facility.

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