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THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY



Richard Stockton College Breaks Ground on New Unified Science Center Building

Building Scheduled for completion in 2013

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Galloway Township, NJ- More than 100 people looked on today as The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey broke ground on a new Unified Science Center building.

The new three-story, 66,000 square-foot building will include labs, classrooms and support facilities and is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2013.

“People are what make a building come to life and it is good to see so many people here for what is an important day in Stockton history,” President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., said. “One of Stockton’s many distinctions is that we graduate more science and math majors than any other New Jersey state college or university. It is extremely important that we have a first-class Unified Science Center.”

The building will rise in a portion of what is now Parking Lot 4, adjacent to the new Campus Center. President Saatkamp joined members of the Board of Trustees, Richard Stockton College Foundation and representatives of the student body, faculty and staff in turning over the first shovels of dirt for the building’s construction.

“This building is for our students, all of them,” said Dr. Michael Frank, President of the Faculty Senate. “This will expand their educational experience.”

Among the features of the Center:

- 11 research labs
- Life Science teaching labs
- Chemistry, genetics, microbiology, analytical/physical chemistry labs
- Organic chemistry lab
- Instrument lab
- Faculty and adjunct teachers offices

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- Computer classrooms
- Six 55-student multipurpose classrooms to support natural science and math programs

Stanley M. Ellis, Chair of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. Dennis Weiss, Dean of the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, also spoke at the event. At one point, Weiss asked those gathered to take a few steps forward. "I'd like to welcome you to the Unified Science Center," he said. "You are now standing on its footprint."

The new building is the first of four planned for the future campus Quadrangle.

Photo 1 caption: Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., speaks at the groundbreaking for the new Unified Science Center building.

Photo 2 caption: Stockton College officials, led by President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., (center) turn the first shovels of dirt Wednesday at the future site of the new Unified Science Center building.

Photo 3 caption: On hand for the groundbreaking of the new Unified Science Center were (from left) Stockton Board of Trustees member Mady Deininger, Dean of Natural Science and Mathematics Dennis Weiss and Mrs. Dorothy Saatkamp.

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