

Listening Sessions Facility Themes

PALOMAR COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL & FACILITIES VISION PLAN 2035

Compiled common facility themes from 71 listening sessions in fall of 2023

Educational Campus + Center Sites

- Create a welcoming, safe, and student-centered educational sites
- Create a recognized, prominent entry points into educational sites
- Zone functions with appropriate adjacencies on educational sites
- Address wayfinding, Palomar branding, and circulation issues on all sites
- Create attractive views into the campus and maximize vistas from the sites
- Create ways to activate the San Marcos campus in evening hours
- Organize the campus into appropriate activity zones and connect with clear and universally accessible pathways
- Address alternative modes of transportation to some educational sites
- Address all accessibility issues
- Plan open spaces that balance greenery/landscaping with concrete
- Provide more shaded outdoor spaces for both instruction, collaboration, and well being
- Create a cohesive aesthetic and feel to the sites with structures, signage, and landscaping
- Integrate art, cultural expression, and performance opportunities in outdoor spaces
- Improve site lighting and address campus safety at all sites
- Create an exciting educational environment where students want to come

Indoor Space

- Keep equity and access at the forefront of every space and environment created
- Provide spaces that support a sense of wellbeing and address ergonomic comfort for all
- Continue support services for food securities, Comets Closet, and safe areas for rest
- Additional food service facilities at all sites and in evenings
- Create shared innovative learning environments, such as makerspaces and virtual reality labs
- Provide sufficient student access to open computer labs and printers
- Provide accessible, easy to find student support services
- Provide storage and support space for instructional space
- Provide sufficient and appropriate space for all programs for future growth

- Create instructional space to be flexible, technology rich, and accessible and comfortable for all
- Provide office space for adjunct faculty
- Provide faculty, staff, and student collaboration and interaction space
- Provide innovative faculty and staff professional development space
- Provide large event/assembly space for both college and community use

Outdoor Space

- Create campus outdoor destinations, both large and small for interaction and also personal quiet time
- Recognize the wonderful opportunity the College has in southern CA and maximize the use of outdoor space by creating outdoor labs, outdoor event space, art display, and study space
- Consider outdoor shaded dining options

Sustainability

- Minimize negative impacts to the environment, including, but not limited to, water pollution, air pollution, waste, energy use, water use, and the heat island effect
- Promote sustainability awareness and education through interpretive design, programming, and research on all college sites