

**OVER
1000
NEW
PARKING
SPACES**



Top Right: view of new parking lot looking south from Student Resource Center (SRC)

PROGRESS

a campus designed with students and the community in mind



Above: Current View of Health Careers and Natural Science building looking east towards SRC
Right: Same view as above from Sept. 7, 2007
file photo by Aldo Blanco



Below: Current View of The Technology Education Center looking North
Left: Same view as below from Sept. 7 2007
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Construction continues as the 2009 fall semester begins at the college. A new semester brings a changed look as students arrived for the first day of class on Aug. 20, 2008. A new parking lot was just finished on the south side of the Student Resource Center (SRC) and has increased parking capacity from 7,165 spaces to 8,280 spaces. The Health Careers and Natural Sciences Building on the Main Campus and the Technology Education Center on the West Campus can be seen nearing their completion. Construction should be completed in February 2009 on The Health Careers and Natural Sciences Building and the Technology Center will follow closely with a completion goal of March 2009.

Though the building will be finished, students are not expected to occupy them until the 2009 summer semester as moving these departments bring on a whole new set of challenges. COD has hired a move management team to assist in the planning for this move, and this team will stay on until the move is completed. "A successful move and setup is important so instruction can be productive from the start," Director of Facilities, John Wandolowski said.

Over the last few years the college has been in different stages of major construction and is not scheduled for completion until the year 2012. Designed with the students and community in mind, the final project will bring a better perspective to operational issues. "There's more to a building than the structure, we have to plan and then build with the next 20-30 years in mind," Wandolowski said

The design of these buildings and the future construction, still in its planning stages, is a big change from the COD of the past. Buildings have been and are being designed with the students in mind. The designs incorporate features such as large spaces, lots of glass to make the buildings brighter and more inviting and more social areas for students to engage in various activities.

The Facility Master Plan is continually challenged and updated and can be viewed at www.cod.edu/facilities_plan

"I don't think you would find a better community based teaching institution"

JOHN WANDOLOWSKI,
DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES

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