

Investing in Mendocino College's Future

COMMUNITY UPDATE FALL/WINTER 2025



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GET UPDATED

Receive current information about the state of the college and affordable, quality education in our community.



PROVIDE FEEDBACK

Share your feedback and service priorities with the district and your neighbors.



CONNECT WITH MENDOCINO COLLEGE

Stay engaged with the district and help spread the word.

Fifty Years of Excellent, Affordable Education

- For over 50 years, Mendocino College has been preparing our rural communities for success in the workforce or to transfer to a 4-year college
- Students should graduate prepared for good-paying jobs without thousands of dollars in student loan debt.



Planning for our Regions' Economic Future

- Not all students at Mendocino College choose to attend a four-year college.
- In addition to pre-transfer courses, our College provides significant workforce development training programs through its four campuses.
- Our colleges must expand career and workforce education programs so students can acquire real-world skills for jobs right here.
- The district is planning for its future with our facilities master plan process.



Costs Are Prohibitive for Many Students

Did you know? California State Universities cost six times more than Mendocino College.

Mendocino College students need:

- Career technical education
- Basic credits before university transfer
- High school students value dual enrollment at Mendocino College



Goal: *Empower local students to transfer to a four-year college or start a good paying job without taking on crushing student loan debt.*

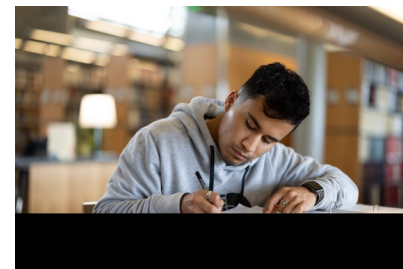
Training our Firefighters and Community Builders

Many of our programs, including those at our Willits Campus will offer desperately needed training programs including:

- Firefighting
- Solar installation
- Sustainable construction

These specialized classrooms and training equipment must be kept up to date and expanded to train more:

- Construction workers
- Firefighters
- Renewable energy professionals



Keeping Our Rural Communities Healthy and Safe

Did you know? Mendocino College is the regions' premier trainer for desperately needed healthcare professionals in our area, and is focused on addressing the staffing crisis in rural areas.

Safe, clean classrooms, and updated labs are essential to allow for training more:

- Nurses/RNs/LVNs
- Physical Therapists
- EMTs
- Firefighters

Our goal is to ensure graduates *stay and serve local communities*, keeping our rural communities safe.



Partnering with Local Businesses to Help Our Community Thrive

Mendocino College has confirmed partnerships with Adventist and Sutter hospitals, as well as Mendocino Community Health Clinic (MCHC) for training to stretch taxpayer dollars further.

In order to access these funds our old, decaying classrooms and outdated labs must be repaired or replaced. These labs train:

- Nurses (RN/LVN)
- Physical therapy assistants
- Emergency medical responders



Aging Classrooms and Outdated Career Technical Training Facilities

Some Mendocino College buildings are 40+ years old, and need basic safety upgrades and newer labs to address today's career training needs.

Issues include:

- Classrooms not meeting modern technology, safety, or disability standards
- Science labs , particularly at our Lakeport facility, are too small for nursing students and are hampering the expansion of the program

Basic repairs are needed to:

- Address leaking plumbing and roofing , outdated electrical equipment, and deteriorating lighting.
- Upgrade aging classrooms and expand labs for technical education.



Community Priorities for Mendocino College

A recent survey of local residents showed the following local priorities for Mendocino college:

- Responsible public disclosure & fiscal stewardship
- Ensuring clean drinking water supply
- Repairing leaky roofs
- Removing any mold, asbestos, or lead paint
- Providing classrooms for programs training wildland firefighters and the Firefighter Academy
- Repairing labs and classrooms to train nurses, physical therapy assistants, and Emergency Medical Technicians
- Ensuring facilities are accessible for people with disabilities



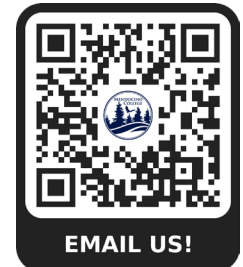
What's Next?



JOIN THE CONVERSATION: We want to hear from you!
Please Join the Conversation and provide YOUR priorities
for Mendocino College



SCHEDULE A PRESENTATION: Please contact Mendocino
College to request a presentation! Kelly Keyes at
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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AND PLANNING: Community
feedback will be used to inform Mendocino College
priorities, budgeting and for the 2025 Facilities Master Plan



QUESTIONS?