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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Biotech









Solano College celebrated the opening of the new Biotechnology and Science building at the Vacaville Center campus last week.

"This spectacular new facility will help launch our students into the next decade of biotechnology and science education," said Celia Esposito-Noy, superintendent-president. "By modeling the labs and processes used by biotechnology companies, we are working to give graduating students an advantage in the job market," she added.

Those who came out to the celebration were treated to a tour of the facility by ??

The new Biotechnology and Science building will house laboratories for the new bachelor's degree in Biomanufacturing and other science programs offered through the college. The program space features four biotech labs, two of which are equipped with bioreactors; three chemistry labs for general chemistry and organic chemistry classes; two biology labs, both a wet anatomy and a dry anatomy lab, and prep areas for all labs. The building also includes administration and faculty offices, a conference room, and a lobby reception area.

The new LEED Silver certified building was initiated in 2014 and construction began in April 2016. The cost of the one-story, 32,088 square foot building was \$37,600,000. The building was funded by Measure Q passed in 2012 by the citizens of Solano County and Winters to improve and expand the facilities of the Solano Community College District.

Performing Arts Gala Big Success- Results Next Week

The Gala for the Performing Arts Center was a great success. Next week's *Inside Solano* will have pictures and results from the event!





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