

August 7, 2008

Dear Faculty and Staff,

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to excellence during my first year as Chancellor. I look forward to 2008-09 with confidence, as we continue to elevate Chabot-Las Positas Community College District as the destination point for students, faculty, staff, and administrators committed to collaboration, action, and excellence.

Chabot and Las Positas Colleges continue to demonstrate leadership among peer colleges in developing excellent programs and services that positively impact student success. Our District continues to build on its strengths and reputation for academic excellence and I am committed to supporting efforts to fortify programs and services directly impacting student success and our community. Our continued success in obtaining additional funding from government and business sources will enable us to address many internal program and service needs.

Chabot-Las Positas Community College District continues to serve increasing numbers of students while forging ahead on many exciting fronts. Facilities expansions at both colleges have created both excitement and challenges. However, your focus to serve our current students as we build for the future has never wavered. In addition, you've participated in activities that demonstrate leadership and commitment to environmental issues through the support of solar projects and actions related to the potential risks associated with the construction of power plants.

Last year, I indicated that the future of our students and community depends in large part upon what we do. The leadership exhibited by each of us models a behavior that demonstrates our organizational values. These values directly impact the success of our students, the diversity of our organization, our appreciation for one another, and how we will ultimately impact the world and society.

I ask you to join me in thanking the staff that performed exceptionally this summer in preparing for the new academic year. Their efforts and commitment will help to ensure that students have a positive experience when they arrive to our campuses this fall.

This year, Convocation will be held on Monday, August 18th, at Las Positas College. A continental breakfast will be provided for your enjoyment at 7:30 a.m., in the Reading Room of the Multi-disciplinary Building (Building 2400). The Chancellor's Program will begin promptly at 8:45 a.m., in the Physical Education Complex (Building 2500).

I look forward to welcoming you to Convocation and introducing you to new members of our organization.

Best regards,

Joel L. Kinnamon, Ed.D.  
Chancellor

c: Chabot-Las Positas Board of Trustees