## Chabot-Las Positas Community College District For Immediate Release

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## Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Announces New Las Positas College President



(Dublin, CA) - The Chabot-Las Positas Community College District is pleased to announce Dyrell Foster, Ed.D., was selected for the position of President of Las Positas College (LPC). Foster was selected from a large, highly competitive, and outstanding group of candidates from throughout the region, state and nation. His term as President will begin on February 10, 2020.



"Dr. Foster is a recognized leader in the California community colleges. His experience and knowledge in student and academic services will be an asset to Las Positas College," said interim chancellor, Ronald P. Gerhard. "He is a highly respected administrator and is on the front lines of new initiatives and issues facing our students such as food and housing insecurity. He brings to the position a passion for teaching, learning and his focus has always been student success. I look forward to having him on our team."

"I am honored to be selected as the next president of Las Positas College. LPC is an outstanding institution that is student centered,

focused on academic excellence and student success. I look forward to working with the faculty, staff, students and community partners within our college service area and throughout our district to continue to support and provide educational and workforce opportunities that change lives and meet the needs of our Tri-Valley region," said Dr. Foster.

In his previous role as the Vice President of Student Services at Moreno Valley College, he provided leadership in the development of the college's strategic initiatives, educational partnerships, community engagement, and innovative instructional and student support programs.

He co-led a collaborative effort with faculty and staff to develop and implement Moreno Valley College's enrollment management plan, which focused on access, efficient on-boarding strategies for new students, and the retention of currently enrolled students. These efforts paid off as the college experienced a significant increase in student headcount of 4.8% and a significant increase in full-time equivalent students of 4% from fall 2016 to spring 2019.

In addition, through his collaborative leadership and the implementation of innovative instructional student support programs, the college increased completion of the total number of degrees and certificates awarded by 37% from 1,520 in 2016-17 to 2,394 in 2018-19.

Dr. Foster currently serves as the Vice President of Student Services at Moreno Valley College in Moreno Valley, CA. Previously, he served as an administrator at Rio Hondo College, Mt. San Antonio College, Evergreen Valley College, and San Jose State University. Dr. Foster earned a Doctor of Education from the University of Southern California; a Master of Science in Counseling from California State University, Long Beach; and a Bachelor of Science in Applied Behavioral Science from University of California, Davis.

## About Chabot-Las Positas Community College District

CLPCCD serves 29,000 students annually, in the San Francisco East Bay Area, particularly southern Alameda County, through its two colleges: Chabot College in Hayward and Las Positas College in Livermore. CLPCCD is governed by a sevenmember board of trustees which is responsible for all policy decisions. Board members are elected from trustee areas by the registered voters of nine communities: Castro Valley, Dublin, Hayward, Livermore, Pleasanton, San Leandro, San Lorenzo, Sunol, and Union City.