

## **Transportation, Safety Fee to Help Facilitate Public Safety During Stockton Construction Projects**

**\$50 Per Term (\$25 for Summer Term) to Provide for Increased Shuttle Service, Improved Lighting During Construction**

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**Galloway Twp., NJ** – The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will initiate a Transportation and Safety Fee to provide increased shuttle service from residence halls to classroom facilities, improve campus lighting and make other improvements while it embarks on the largest construction effort since the campus opened here in 1972.

“Safety of our students, faculty and staff is uppermost as we proceed in this time of unprecedented campus expansion and improvement,” President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr. noted. “While we do not enjoy creating a new fee, we currently have 66 separate construction projects ongoing at the College which necessitates it.” The major and most visible project is the Campus Center now under construction adjacent to Parking Lots 4 and 5. The College is also adding new residence halls, expanding the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center, renovating the Lakeside Center and numerous other projects.

To promote campus safety, Dr. Saatkamp announced the College would add additional shuttles from its residential areas and other areas of campus to assist students in getting around during the construction process. He said safety concerns would also call for increased parking monitoring and enforcement, improvements to lighting on campus and other measures.

According to Matthew Altier, Vice President for Administration and Finance, lighting will be added to one of the paths leading from the academic buildings to housing across Lake Fred; upgrades and repairs will be made to parking lots, pedestrian paths and bike paths around the campus. Protective fencing has been installed around the perimeter of the Campus Center construction site, and signage has been installed to direct pedestrian traffic. “Pretty much anything involving transportation to Stockton is being enhanced,” he said.

The Transportation and Safety Fee of \$50 per term per student (\$25 for the Summer term) will help defray the costs of these necessary services.

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