

VALENCIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE STRATEGIC GOALS  
Students' Feedback on Draft Goals  
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**Question: What do these draft goals mean to you as a student?**

**Build Pathways Connections with Faculty:**

Book fees – cost of tuition

Cost Barrier - It takes 2 months to budget one semester

Faculty participation - connections with faculty

Students are approachable - makes it personal

Better amount of Financial Aid for those who don't get Pell.

Prospective students - raise aspirations

Reach out to high school students – break the negative ideas about community college

Valencia alumni that are local – raise aspirations – role models - various neighborhoods

Transportation – Valencia bus system to go direct to campuses

Lynx – discount

**Expanded Opportunities:**

More classes in different areas

Athletics for Student athletes

Pathways to other programs besides nursing

PTK has high goals – not for everybody – show student early how to achieve to get into PTK

SGA has responsibility to promote the college – get involved - more activities to know what's possible

SGA – voice of Valencia – help students in any way they need

Come together as one college for outreach – more passionate and enthusiastic – diversity in activities

## **Learning Issues:**

Campus Affiliations – Groups buildings as “colleges” so students can find each other (classes and faculty of the same academic discipline together in one physical area)

Finals – access to computers

Extending lab hours around finals

Relating older students to younger students – bridge relations

Students with learning disabilities

Dual Enrollment opportunity – encourage more advertisement of Dual Enrollment, it’s not promoted by high school counselors

Quiet rooms – sound proof for studying

Tutoring Center – make more accessible – need more tutors and more subjects such as higher math and sciences

## **Interest in Each Other**

Better relations between faculty and students – less informal environment

Success Coaches – one-on-one relationships that students are comfortable with

College wide events to bring college students together

SGA support Campus Security

Faculty Senate and SGA work together

## **Partner of Community**

Winter Park Theme – building a community connection

Working with elementary and middle schools

School kids need connections

Habitat for Humanity – community outreach – work as a college together

Adopt a Family – not just for Xmas – 2-3 times a year

School supplies – have boxes on each campus for extras

Party/school supplies on campuses – keep for Valencia Students

College wide participation in Winter Park Parade (Melinda getting details)

Every two months come together as college student readers

Welcome Week & Matador Day – Big Events are chances to build community

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