

President's Response
Campus Issue 24-25-07

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Issue or Concern: Security in the Library/LRC

Summary of Issue: The Learning Resource Center (particularly the 2nd and 3rd floors as addressed in this Campus Issue) is perceived to be unsafe, especially now with fewer students in the building post Pandemic and more classes and services now being offered online.

Action Taken:

03/19/25: VP of Administration Mitch Campbell and President Garcia met with Los Rios Police Chief Harvey Woo, Captain Chris Mora, and other officers to discuss LRC safety concerns and possible remedies.

3/20/25: VPA Campbell and President Garcia met with AVPI Saks and Deans Selva and Lambert to discuss potential LRC safety measures.

4/17/25: Held all-LRC-employees safety meeting with VPA Campbell, Chief Woo, President Garcia, other administrators and LRPD representatives to get full scope of employee concerns about LRC safety.

Spring and Summer 2025: SCC Administration and LRPD have agreed to the following actions:

- LRPD will continue to have regular presence in the LRC with a focus on being seen during the hours of 5:00PM to 8:00PM, "sweeping" the building at closing time to make sure all people are out.
- AVP Saks will meet monthly with Deans Selva and Lambert and Library/Tutorial faculty and staff to get current updates on safety and to discuss other topics related to those areas.
- Per Operations and Facility Maintenance, the front doors to the DLRC have been repaired and are closing properly.
- VPA Campbell and Garcia have allocated funds to hire classified temporary staff for the LRC first-floor lobby desk. Dean Selva has staffed the position(s).
- Dean Andre Coleman arranged for a threat-assessment training. VPA Campbell has contracted with the company who offered the training to conduct additional sessions of threat-assessment and de-escalation training for employees in the LRC.
- Administration will conduct analysis with LRC services regarding the existing closing times and weekend hours.

President's Response to Executive Council:

Executive Council has discussed this issue and given their guidance for me to work with VPA Campbell, other college administrators, and LRPD to do a thorough assessment of the situation and act on remedies that will ease concerns about safety in the LRC. From March when this issue was submitted until the present day, the above parties have worked with each other and with LRC employees to determine safety measures to take with the understanding that this is an iterative process that can be altered and improved upon as we move forward. However, for now, I believe the College is taking positive steps to conscientiously address the concerns and improve safety in the building.

Campus Issue 24-25-07 is closed.

Albert Garcia
Albert Garcia, President

08/27/25
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