

# **STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION**

**December 11, 2024**

**TOPIC:** Arapahoe Community College (ACC) Facilities Master Plan Approval

**PRESENTED BY:** Dr. Stephanie J. Fujii, President

## **RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:**

- Transform the student experience.
  - Maintain and Update Facilities to Align with Student Needs.
- Transform our workplace.
- Redefine our Value Proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence.

## **EXPLANATION:**

In 2016 Arapahoe Community College (ACC) completed a Facilities Master Plan (FMP). This plan's recommendations included the development of the Sturm Collaboration Campus in Castle Rock and the Health Programs Integration and Annex Building Renovation. ACC is proud to report that our new campus in Castle Rock opened in August 2019 and the Health Programs Integration and Annex Building Renovation held its ribbon cutting in October 2024. With these accomplishments, ACC was ready to update our Facilities Master Plan again in 2023-24.

The plan utilizes the guidelines for master plans established by the Colorado Department of Higher Education and the Colorado Community College System. The development of the plan was a collaborative effort with participation and input from the college's leadership and cabinet, a variety of stakeholders, including faculty, staff, students, and other interested parties from the public and private sector. In addition to assessment of the respective campus programs and enrollments, the plan reviewed all individual buildings' space inventory and the existing physical conditions of aging building stock. ACC's Littleton Campus buildings range in age from 24 years old, over 50 years old, and two coming up upon 75 years old.

The FMP was driven by several key conditions, including:

- Evolving teaching pedagogies and classroom requirements.
- Student enrollment and the demand for specific academic programs.
- Functionality and accessibility of some of the buildings to be more student-centered.
- Lack of adaptable spaces for flexible educational use.
- Appropriate spaces to support program growth and development.

Key objectives are as follows:

- Identify opportunities to increase efficiencies while fostering cross-collaboration of staff, students, and partners as well as integration into the community through thoughtful programming and analysis.
- Provide long-range operational, departmental, and programmatic planning for ACC, which will serve as a guiding tool providing future planning consistent with State of Colorado requirements.
- Provide financial analysis and cost estimates for recommendations resulting from the FMP process.

The ACC Facilities Master Plan identifies the following priorities at each campus informed by timeline and expense:


**LITTLETON CAMPUS:**

- 1) Renovate the Church Street Building to house additional administrative staff, then vacate the leased Sato Building.
- 2) Address capital maintenance needs in the North and Art & Design buildings to support an additional 10-years of occupancy.
- 3) Expand and renovate the Main Building to create a welcoming entry for students, staff, and the community; optimize spaces to support learning pedagogies; improve adjacencies and workflow; ease wayfinding; and allow for flexibility and adaptability.
- 4) Construct a new building allowing the child development center to relocate and co-locate with Early Childhood Education and Workforce programs.

**STURM COLLABORATION CAMPUS, CASTLE ROCK:**

- 1) The Sturm II Building will pursue the construction of approximately 20,000 SF of finished space and an additional 20,000 SF of core and shell space for future needs within a 40,000 SF building.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board approve the ACC facilities master plan as electronically attached --  [20241003\\_ACC\\_FMP\\_Report\\_Final.pdf](#) -- and allow ACC to forward the plan on to the Department of Higher Education.