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CULVER CITY BUS BURSTS THROUGH RIBBON AT WLAC CELEBRATION

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On Tuesday, January 29, Culver City, Los Angeles Community College District and Culver City Unified School District officials gathered together with West Los Angeles College leadership and students to celebrate the opening of the new on-campus bus stop which brings riders right to Admissions and Student Services, the Bookstore and Café, classrooms, and an elevator to the upper level of campus.

The location of the new bus stop was made possible by the college working in partnership with Culver City to create a bus turnaround at the college. The turnaround was funded by voter-approved construction bonds. In addition to bringing riders up two long inclines which can be a difficult walk for some, it minimizes the number of homes adjacent to the college that the bus must pass.

The Culver City Bus had the honor of "cutting" the ribbon to the turnaround by driving through it as the WLAC president and mascot waved to all.

Another ribbon was cut at the actual bus stop by LACCD Trustee Nancy Pearlman with applause from LACCD Chancellor Dr. Adriana Barrera; Culver City representatives Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells, Councilperson Jim Clarke, CCUSD Board Member Sue Robins, City Manager John Nachbar, Public Works Director Charles Herbertson, Transportation Director Art Ida, and Chamber of Commerce President Steve Rose; as well as WLAC student leaders, faculty and staff.

"It is rewarding to see this collaboration between West LA College and Culver City come to fruition. We found a solution that serves students' needs, encourages efficient use of clean air busses and is respectful of noise impact on our immediate neighbors. We were honored with the turnout of representatives of both Culver City's city council and school district and look forward to many successful collaborations," said WLAC President Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh.

WLAC is served by the #3 and #4 Culver City Bus lines. Metro riders can connect to the Culver City buses that come to the college at the Washington/Adams Transit Center; the Culver City Westfield Mall; on Motor at Washington, Venice, and Palms; on Pico between Westwood and Beverly Glen; and on Centinela near Sepulveda.

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~ PHOTO CAPTIONS ~

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Culver City Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells and LACCD Trustee Nancy Pearlman cut ribbon on new on-campus Culver City Bus stop which brings students right to Admissions and Student Services. Behind them are West the Wildcat, WLAC Associated Student Organization President Raymond McDaniel, and WLAC President Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh.

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West the Wildcat and WLAC President Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh wave and Culver City Bus bursts through ribbon at entrance to new on-campus bus turnaround.

#3

West the Wildcat waves hello at new on-campus Culver City Bus stop which brings students right to Admissions, Student Services and classrooms.

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From left: West the Wildcat, Culver City Bus Operator Asante Murphy; Culver City Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells; Culver City Transportation Director Art Ida; LACCD Trustee Nancy Pearlman; Culver City Manager John Nachbar; Culver City Public Works Director Charles Herbertson; Culver City Councilperson Jim Clarke; Culver City Chamber of Commerce President Steve Rose; LACCD Chancellor Dr. Adriana Barrera; WLAC Vice President of Student Services Phyllis Braxton; WLAC President Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh. Behind them are WLAC student leaders, faculty and staff.

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Standing next to West the Wildcat, LACCD Trustee Nancy Pearlman cut ribbon on new on-campus bus stop which brings students right to Admissions and Student Services. Behind them are Culver City Vice Mayor Meghan Sahli-Wells; CCUSD Board Member Sue Robins; Culver City Bus Operator Asante Murphy; WLAC President Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh; Culver City Councilperson Jim Clarke; and Culver City Manager John Nachbar. Behind them are representatives from WLAC's Associate Student Organization.