



College Update
October 28, 2013

Happy Monday!

The expansion project for the Valley campus is now officially underway. As you may recall, after several years, this project was funded by the State of Colorado last spring. Construction plans will include the addition of two classrooms and two laboratories to the existing building. The architectural portion of this project will be completed by the team of D2C Architects and Helmstetler Architects & Associates, with a kick-off meeting scheduled for next Monday.

A group of highly committed students is working with Ryan Newport, Gun Club Advisor, to establish the Trinidad State Junior College Trap Team. They hope to begin competing on a national level as early as this spring. As a club sport, they would have some flexibility in seeking funding to help defray costs. For more information, please see this website: <http://www.competitions.nra.org/collegiate/acui-intercollegiate-shotgun-championships.aspx>

The community college presidents have been invited to the Capitol on Wednesday for a third meeting regarding the proposed Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS). We are crafting legislative language in collaboration with the four-year institutions and hope to reach consensus soon.

The Strategic Planning committee will meet this week on Friday to begin a review of our current mission and vision statements, included below:

MISSION *Trinidad State Junior College enriches the academic, technical, and cultural life of our diverse community. We are committed to offering traditional and alternative approaches to education, providing quality instruction and promoting life-long learning.*

VISION *Trinidad State Junior College will continue to be an active partner in building and maintaining academic excellence and economic vitality in the region it serves.*

If you have suggestions to consider, please feel free to forward them to any committee member.

As always, if you have questions, concerns or information to share, please let me know.

Hope you have a great week!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Carmen M. Simone'.

Carmen M. Simone,
President