

# SHUTTLE GETS A

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All aboard for the Clackamas Community College Xpress shuttle.

The college has worked to improve the Xpress shuttle bus that traverses from the Clackamas Town Center, Harmony and Wilsonville campuses to make commuting less of a hassle for students. The changes include making the travel time more accurate for arrival and departure, full service for finals weeks to allow students to arrive on time, and routes increased with 28 seat shuttles, which are marked in green.

"We have a limited budget, so we have to make hard decisions," said transportation systems analyst Luke Norman in an email.

Based on ridership data and feedback, efforts were made to change the route during Final's Week.

"We heard from a number of students who were unable to reach their finals or were turned away from full shuttles," said Norman. "Then we identified which times of the day most students were impacted and prioritized improvements then."

But what if someone fears potential discrimination? Does it change when the bus no longer is on campus grounds? The answer is no.

"Discrimination is an issue that we take seriously, especially since transportation plays a key role in accessing education," said Norman. He further stated that anyone that has had to deal with discrimination should contact Patricia Anderson of Human Resources.

Finally, last year the shuttle's bike racks

suffered from vandalism, which prevented some students from bringing their bikes with them. Norman says that both shuttle's bike racks were stolen last year and that they've taken steps to prevent further issues.

"We've worked with Campus Safety and Campus Services to find a more secure area to park the shuttles and have not had any additional issues," said Norman. "We hope to have bike racks on both shuttles when service starts on September 25."

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The CCC Xpress is a shuttle service provided by the college to help those who need transportation from one of the campuses to another, since not everyone has a car or can pay for the bus.

The revision of the shuttle's schedule doesn't make services longer on Fridays.

## NEW WEBSITE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

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You probably noticed while signing up for classes recently that the CCC website has undergone a serious renovation. Between the change in color from its lively green for the new red sheen, and the reorganization of the entire site, most obviously the front page, its tough to find something that hasn't changed.

This was done during the summer term in early August, in hopes of updating and modernizing the site, and making it easier to navigate. Of note is the updated banner, which instead of static images of students and the campus is now a set of video clips showing classes and students active in school life, breathing new life into the front page.

Both Moodle and myClackamas remain

almost unchanged, with little more than visual differences from their previous incarnations, and even then everything is located in the same place as before.

Perhaps the most useful new feature is Self Service. It helps a student plan out their degree and classes, showing what classes they can take for requirements, the classes they've already taken and what classes they're signed up for.

All in all, the site is easier to navigate, giving new students an easier time working out how everything works, and providing a breath of fresh air to all the returning students used to the old site.

## ALLEGED SEXUAL ASSAULT ON CAMPUS

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An alleged sexual assault was reported to the Oregon City Police Department on campus on Sept. 19.

The incident was reported by an adult female who said the assault happened on the northwest boundary of the Oregon City campus after 9:30 p.m. The suspect is reported to be a white male with long wavy blonde hair, green eyes, thin, standing six-foot-two to six-foot-four and appears to be in his early to mid-30's. The suspect may go by two possible names, "Gerald" or "Jerald".

The victim of the alleged sexual assault had met the suspect several days prior to the crime.

"According to the report, they met and had walked together to campus when the suspect forcefully sexually assaulted the victim," said Clackamas Community College Public Information Officer Lori Hall in an email. "This is a timely reminder to add Campus Safety to your cellphone contacts. Their number is 503-594-6650."

An on-going investigation is currently underway by the OCPD and asks that if anyone has information, to call the OCPD.

Campus Safety offers escorts for anyone who feels unsafe.