



Sault College News Release

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Sault College Receives \$4 million Towards New Health and Wellness Centre

(Sault Ste. Marie, ON June 22, 2011) In an announcement today from David Oraziotti, MPP, on behalf of the Honourable John Milloy, Ontario Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, Sault College has received \$4 million towards Phase II of campus redevelopment: a new Health and Wellness Centre.

“The new Sault College Health and Wellness Centre will be a vital training and education resource,” states Dr. Ron Common, President, Sault College. “State-of-the-art academic labs, fitness rooms and a gymnasium will better accommodate our growth in varsity sports and promote a healthier lifestyle for our students. This investment by the Ontario government is helping Sault College students get the best possible education to succeed.”

The new 45,000 square foot building will help train and teach more students in a variety of disciplines. The facilities will support studies in human performance, chronic disease management, rehabilitation, alternative therapies and gerontology. The multi-purpose complex also will host sporting events and provide fitness rooms and studios. A student centre will offer meeting and study spaces.

The students of Sault College have sent a clear message of support with a \$3 million contribution towards this project. The Sault College Students’ Union voted overwhelmingly in favour of providing financial support for a Health and Wellness Centre through a student-wide vote in 2010.

“The students of Sault College are thrilled to see this progress towards the building of our new Health and Wellness Centre,” states Tyler Epp, Sault College Student Union President. “In addition to providing needed academic space, this exciting addition to the campus will house the new Student Life Centre and facilitate student functions, athletic events and improve daily life for all Sault College students. On behalf of the Sault College Students’ Union and our membership, I thank the Ontario government for their generous contribution to our future.”

The City of Sault Ste. Marie has also voted in favour of supporting a capital contribution totalling one million dollars towards Sault College’s campus redevelopment initiatives. The new Student Health and Wellness Centre will play an important role in helping to provide Northern Ontario with well-trained health professionals.

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About Sault College

Sault College reaches students through post-secondary, continuing education, apprenticeship training and third party contract training. Educating 4,500 students annually, Sault College offers a full range of programs: Certificates, Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas, Post Graduate Certificates, Degrees, and Apprenticeship programs. Sault College has an economic impact on the community in excess of \$100 million. Maclean’s magazine has recognized the College’s ranking at the top of the province in graduate satisfaction, with 85% of graduates saying that they were highly satisfied with their education at the post-secondary institution. Sault College, located in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario is one of 24 community colleges in Ontario. Visit our website at www.saultcollege.ca for more information.

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