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To the Malaspina Community,

I am pleased to announce that we have started the planning and development of a Campus Master Plan for our Nanaimo Campus.

The Campus Master Plan:

1. Will provide the Malaspina community with an opportunity to collectively develop a strategic and organized approach to integrated campus planning on our Nanaimo campus.
2. Is an important requirement when applying for government funding.
3. Will assist Malaspina in saving facilities and infrastructure costs in the future.

The Campus Master Plan will be developed with input from a wide range of constituents. This input will assist us in creating a vision to build our campus in ways that best support the needs of students, community, employees, and anyone using or visiting the campus. To assist us in gathering this data and in developing our plan, we have engaged a consulting firm with expertise in the area of campus master planning.

To ensure that the planning process encompasses the broadest input, a Project Steering Committee (PSC) has been established with representation from all campus constituencies. The PSC will provide advice and input to the planning consultants, and seek input from the Malaspina community. This input process will include several Campus Open Houses to be scheduled in the next two months and an online suggestion box where members of our internal and external communities can contribute ideas.

Further information on this exciting initiative and, to review the foundation principles that will drive this process, I invite you to visit the Master Plan web site at:
www.mala.ca/masterplan/planningdocs.asp.

I invite you to start thinking now about “the Nanaimo campus of the future” and how it might look, feel and contribute to the success of our community, our students and our Institutional success.

Thank you for your support of this important initiative.

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