



JOLIET
Junior *College*

**Master Plan
Likes and Dislikes
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Top Likes and Dislikes

Likes:	Responses
Campus Center/Student Center	35
Bridges between J and T Buildings	30
Fitness Center/YMCA partnership	20

Dislikes	Responses
Moving Nursing and Allied Health to North Campus	29
Proposed road through Main Campus	22
Moving gen ed courses out of North Campus	11

Demographics

Hometown	Responses
Bolingbrook	2
Channahon	4
Crest Hill	1
Dwight	1
Frankfort	1
Homer Glen	1
Joliet	22
Lemont	1
Lockport	4
Marseilles	2
Mokena	2
Montgomery	1
Morris	1
New Lenox	4
Plainfield	10
Romeoville	4
Schererville	1
Shorewood	1
Wilmington	2
Total	65
Did not respond	54

Who Responded	Responses
Administrator	1
Community Member	10
Faculty	38
Staff	21
Student	46
Total	116
Did not respond	3

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Liked (unedited responses)
The holistic approach to accomodating our large district. I also enjoyed the life-like presentation, it gave me a look into the future.
Expanding the campus.
The tree lined entrance and the appearance of the campus center building.
Cooperation between JJC and YMCA - Fitness facility
Shared responsibiity financial plan
ECO friendly structures, update on classroom furniture
I like the idea of increasing the Health/Allied program, also moving it to north campus
New science labs
New bridge between T and J
The college center being at the east side of the front of campus.
Expand north campus
Connecting all buildings with the proposed bridge from T to J.
At least some attention is being paid to green roofs, permeable parking lots.
The campus center with all student services in one place
New facilities for Nursing and Allied Health
Not much. As I recall, there was little anticipated need for additional parking reported in the initial survey that preceded the plan design phase. Yet, the town square plan provides for extensive additions of parking space.
Bold very impressive
To keep the natural areas as they are, do not disrupt.
Increase in parking.
The plan to shift the entrance to the college.
How all the student services are conveniently in one place.
Nice to have bigger and better facilites however everything costs MONEY! and i don't feel like having our crook governer steal more of my pension fund money! we sure won't get it from the state the road it's headed down and we won't get more from tax payers so just leave things as they are!
Pretty compact. Does not expand into natural areas or arboretum.
If you do decide to go along with the education center in Bolingbrook, I think it would provide a shorter travel distance to some of those who travel a great deal of distance in order to get to school.
I like the updated look
I think it would help a great deal.
Provides for expansion of programs that have outgrown the existing facility.
I like the new student center.
I like how all will be accessible without going out side when weather is bad.
I like how the campus center provides easy help to students.
I like the new YMCA center.
All the things dicussed sound good.
The visual appeal.
Student center with room for the bookstore.
That smoking is limited to outside areas away from areas such as the fountain outside the cafeteria.
I like the new student center
The enclosed bridge between "T" and "J" buildings
The relocation of Bookstore, Registration, Cafeteria and Fitness Center to the front of the campus...
More science lab space will address an urgent need. I think that even more space than is called for in this version of the plan would be a good idea.
Moving the Nursing Dept. to North Campus.
Proposed new building and demolition of City Center high rise.
I think development of a nursing department + allied health buiding is the best outcome for the students if it were to be at the main campus.
More use of outside space - bike and walking trail, etc.
The new campus center
Environmental plans including outdoor areas for programming in nice weather, biking and hiking paths,and keeping the beauty of the campus intact...
The relocation of campus center resources will add a fresh new look and more convenient location of those resources.
Bridge from J to T building. A big must even before the campus center building is made. We waste so much time walking all the way to J- 30 min. to an hour a day round trip just to go to repographics or admissions. Food is out of the question!
I like the idea of moving the college services to the area between c and a buildings and the sports complex.
I like the student center and the new cafeteria, however where would the old school house go.
Moving to the new building in Bolingbrook is a good thing. It is the place to be.

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I like the idea of the new Campus Center being located at the forefront.
Student center
I like the Campus center being right in front. I think being tucked in the back is currently confusing to potential students and the public.
I like the new campus center idea for admissions, financial aid, cafeteria etc.
I like the expansion of space for the sciences. Could there be more?
Building a Campus Center to put things that Students will need in a more central location. However, I don't know if this is the best location for it. What about a building north of T-building, adjacent to existing parking lots?
Modernization at Main Campus
I like the idea of more parking on the J-K lot side.
The new building in front for administrative functions.
The fact that we are finally trying to come up with a long term plan (good or bad). The plan shown looks good and will make us an even greater college.
Replacement of Temp Buildings
Moving the student services is a logical and needed move and would be greatly welcomed. But this needs to be the first item accomplished in the plan. It is critical to the success of the plan and should be the first item address along with moving the physical services to a new building. They seem to be the hinge pin of the program and the hardest items to accomplish.
Promoting the natural area of the campus
More space
The proposal from the city of Joliet to add a major road
"Green" aspect
The use of LEED
Sustainable construction/fitness and nature trail. Outdoor open campus/porches
YMCA sports center
New entrance at main campus, Student Center
Additional parking
Better use of outdoor area north of the concourse, walk/bike path, lots of trees along roads & parking lots
The new Facility Services building and finally replacing the campus 1968 "temporary buildings".
The thought put into adding additional green spaces (and trees) and the ideas for using the existing spaces.
More labs and classrooms for sciences is an idea whose time came years ago, there should be more.
The YMCA building partnership.
Good for growth
New facility for athletics.
Central student areas
Centralization of services makes a great deal of sense.
More science classes available.
Largely emphasizes the future growth trends of the college.
It will certainly make the main campus more interesting.
I like that we are starting to close the campus. (no more going outside between c and a)
It helps people to do better.
Allows an opportunity to express how enrollment within The Automotive Service Program could increase credit hours.
I like the outside porches.
I like the new campus center where everything can be accessible without going to different parts of the campus to find what they need.
The bridge attaching T and J buildings.
Questions discussed.
The centralization of services.
I like the use of solar panels on the roofs.
Better traffic access to the campus.
The approach to the campus without destroying the existing arboretum.
I agree with the idea that JJC needs a "front door" which will clearly be the main entrance for new students and visitors. I think this will help enrollment, not by as much as a more science lab space would but it will help.
Adding more classroom space
Setting 'front door' of main campus on the southeast corner, closer to Houbolt Rd. vs. the current hidden front entrance to J Bldg.
If the nursing department is to move we need to make sure that the students have access to the campus. 155 is usually blocked going north the entire time the students would be attempting to come to campus.
Student Center at front of campus
Additional space for classrooms

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Added buildings with changed front entrance with student services centrally located at the front of campus; fitness center; parking; new Bridge.
A new space for allied health (greatly needed) will open up areas that will allow for additional class space for English and Math classes (keep them closer to the department offices).
Moving the admin area to the front of the campus. Wise since the T building always has to redirect prospect students to the other end of the building.
I like the idea of thinking "green" in the plan.
The covered bridge from J to T is much needed as well as the new parking.
I like the new entrance to the campus.
I like the plan to make the campus "green" with solar panels on the bridge, etc.
trees
I like the bridge from T to J. I was a student for a year before I realized I didn't have to drive to T. I hunted for a way across to J from T and didn't realize the buildings were connected by the Veterans Memorial Bridge. I drove around until someone told me I could go through C to the bridge.
I love the proposed new fitness center area with the new child care building across the way for parents to use during workouts.
I suppose a new "front door" would be nice, although I'm OK with the current arrangement and would prefer to spend the money on other improvements.
Modernization for City Center Campus
I like the creative rearrangement of the entry roads.
The video presentation was great. If we did more of that for our programs (both carrier and transfer) we would get the word out about our great college and program, which would help enrollments and public acceptance of a financial plan to pay for it.
Seeking outside partnerships
The improvements and accessibility to the campus grounds. This will improve the colleges enviroment and atmosphere. I am including the new bidge in this comment becasue it is also a key element in developing the grounds.
Bike path
Updated facilities services
Moving nursing to the North Campus
Fitness center/YMCA (although adds a strain to the parking)
Elimination/rebuild of City Center high rise
Campus/Student Center with all student services
Entrance and bridge connecting J and T building
Partnership with YMCA
Centrilization of admissions/financial aid, etc.
getting rid of the old CC hotel building
The new athletics and YMCA workout on Fitness Center
The campus center building will help students finally feel like this is their college.
I like that the Plan isn't readable/viewable on a Mac. This way you can keep the science faculty, most of whom use Macs, in the dark maybe long enough for your purposes.
The green roofs and efforts at sustainability.
We have needed a student center for a long time.
The new bridge.
More attractive approach as entering the college.
I like the new entrance way and the overhaul of the current bridge and the making of the new bridge along with that.
Maybe it would help people to stop.
Willingness to listen. JJC Automotive Service Technology Instructors recruit at many high school automotive programs within our disrict. We talk to 800 to 1000 auto students but only are able to accommodate 36 new freshman yearly. THERE IS A NEED!
answered all the questions necessary
The proposed expansion of the Early Childhood Center at the entrance roadway.
I like the outside porches
Restablish the role of JJC in their lives. We need to show progress.
The bridge connecting T and J as a walkway will be an enhancement.
I like the patios off the concourse.
Proposed partnership with Bolingbrook to offer Gen Ed classes there.
Culinary Arts getting updated space.
Preserving the Renaissance Center!
Working together with the YMCA to create larger and additional athletic services is a win-win situation.
YMCA buidling is great, it will give alot more usage plus give more back to the community families.

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I like the idea of the bridge and the opening up of the lake area for more student use and activities.
The partnership with the YMCA is a great idea and may bring in added students
It is a good idea for nursing to have its own facility, one that has room for growth.
Better traffic patterns.
I think that the temporary buildings should have been replaced years ago and I am glad this is included in the plan.
The new bridge from T thru J connecting all buildings.
I like that the campus natural areas have, in general, not been destroyed/infringed upon.
Getting rid of out buildings at Main Campus
I think that the college has need a re-assessment of utilization for a long time. Buildings are not being used to their best advantage.
That we are finally looking at showing off and improving the green beauty of our campus.
New Child Care Center.
Brigde connecting J to T.
The natural areas are preserved.
Creating less parking spaces.
Campus Center
the nursing would be all in one location
Culinary Arts located on the Main Campus
It's mind-blowing. Fantastic! Possible the greatest, most progressive idea in the history of this institution.
How they are using solar panels for energy.
I like that it has a plan to better all the fields of studys inb the different locations.
I really like the idea of a second bridge to connect J and T building.
I like the fact that the student resources would be moved to the front section of the main campus, coming here for the first time to take the compass test I was surprised to have to go to the far back for that kind of service.
Connecting J and T together to make the whole campus connected
I like that it will connect all the buildings.
I like the expanded science buildings.
Will the master plan increase tuition and fees on students and other costs of schooling if so what would be the percentage of tuition and fee increases?
Easier Access to other buildings on the campus
The horticulture lab outside.
the expanded space and access to the outside through pourches
I like the fact that there will be more parking available.
I like that yall are making it bigger because there is to many people.
i like that they are going to build new parking lots
I like the new bridge because it is difficult and time consuming to go from T/A building all the way to the Cafe.
The New center going into the Frankfort/Mokena area.
A bigger campus to accomodate the growing community and the growing number of students at JJC.
I liked how they will make the building look more modern.
I like the layout of the new floor plan. I accomidates, helps, pertains to, and benifits everyone.
Bridge across connecting J to T buildings.
I found the plan to be pleasing to the eye and brings the entrance to the college more up to date.
Expanding an East Campus - that would be fantastic!
new bridge
Expanded culinary arts facility
Student related services located in the front of the campus
It will give the area a unique and diverse look. People will look upon the new additions with pride, and future students and faculty members will know no shame when attending Joliet Junior College.
New design, more modern.
I love the design of the building.
I also like the idea and location of the new greenhouses.
Besides removing some traffic from the back lot of J-Building by moving the student services forward, the addition of parking lots would be a great improvement.
Having a YMCA on campus, that will be good for easy accesblity for students with a hour or two break during classes.
I it will be nice that we dont have to go all the way to back of the school to go to any offices the we need to get to.
I like the look of the front entrance.
How long is the project expected to take? And will it have a strain on the surrounding wildlife such ass trees, dear, birds, ect.
More parking spaces
The bridges connecting all the buildings so ther is no hasle to go back and forth from one to the other.
I like the proposed outdoor bridge between J and t building
I like that we will have new greenhouses and they will noty be all the way out on Hoboult St.
I like that the new brigde will connect to the t building that will make it alot better and quicker

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i think that we need new equipment and the new building will be cool.
I like the new outside space I believe it will be very benefical to students.
The Eco-Friendly improvements on the bridge.
More parking.
I also like the idea of a new brigde to give easier access around the campus.
I like the idea of the YMCA arena. I am new to JJC and now that I know JJC offeres sports, I am very intrested to tryout for the sports I played in High School.
The Bridge
outdoor space and new nursing area
expansion of services to serve peotone, elwood, new lenox, etc.
The convienience is provides is unquestionably necessary for those who need it. There is a sizable population of students and faculty who could really use this plan.
Taking avantage of the scenery around us.
And Last, I love the fact that they use all the space well, and will allow more students in the future to enrolll.
The YMCA would be great for the athletic teams as well as for the students.
Finally the bridge from J-building to T-building is a great addition, last semester i had my first class in the 4th floor of J and second class in the far back corner on the second floor of t and this bridge would have helped.
Moving the Campus Center to the front is a good thing due to less confusion and conjestion in the currently J area.
I really like the new sports center and parternig with the YMCA.
Will there be new programs added to JJC such as automotive body work? And other fields.
The new paths that would go around the campus
Bigger parking lots because that is becoming a huge issue.
i like the expansion of classes to other cities with satilite classes
I like the bridge from T building to J building, the new Campus Center, and cafetaria.
I agreee with the expansion of the schoool because it gives students more things to do with time in between classes.
The new YMCA center is going to not only help host important events but will benefit the health of the student body because the fitness center is always packed.
The last thing that I liked was the walking and bike trail going around the campus.
I also like that the Child Care Center is across from the Y so the kids can participate in sports.
The New Admin Facility
more parking!!

Disliked (unedited responses)
Changing north campus into health programs only (if everyone is so against this - why is it still a part of the master plan - we have to ask ourselves this - how can a select few know so much more than students & faculty?)
How open aired the connecting bridge between T and J is.
Relocating nursing to north campus
Closing classes at north campus or only general education classes being held here.
The proposed building at Bolingbrook seems like it is not a concrete yes or no. What about the large amount of students from Romeoville/Bolingbrook area. What if the Bolingbrook site isn't built and north campus converted.
If all the expansions will increase the Reomeoville taxes which are already high enough.
Elimination of exit road to Houbolt
4 lane road on campus - congestion, noise, trash, accidents...
Although I really like the frontal design and glass student center, I am concerned with the volnability of the front with vehicles being able to drive up to the front of the building from a safety stand point.
Leave nursing the way it is
Where is the money going to come from? The plans we had a few years ago went down when the referendum was defeated. This master plan is even more costly and extensive.
North Campus should not be turned into an Allied Health Center. There are too many people living in the area that are not interested in being a part of Allied Health. North Campus seves many area people looking for a college education. It would be an an injustice to take away the current services of North Campus. The educational plan for North Campus should be adjusted so that upper level classes are offered there so a person can get their entire degree requirements there. During the Fall semester, first level classes should be offered, and during Spring some second level classes should be offered. There is a different level of students at North Campus. Many our people who are returning to college or getting a later start on their college education. The campus is a convenient location and should be advertised better. It is the only location with a Photo Lab and it is a shame that it is not advertised better to get better usage. Also the CISCO program is held at North Campus. Again because of lack of advertising, it is not used to it's full advantage. Instead of "reprogramming" the works of North Campus, why not "advertise and exp
Moving the Gen Ed classes out of North.
Moving ALLied health to Romeoville
Creating a through street in the campus is a bad idea. Non-student traffic, incursions into campus by non-students would increase. It is bad and destructive of the environment, and no positive benefit to the campus would result. It is giving in to developers. People could travel around to get to the existing or new single access as always.
This appears to be a bait and switch plan: collect comments on a "master plan" without a controversial road, then switch plans, and have the "proposed road" that was known about before, fade in with no comments for two seconds at 3:40 minutes into the presentation. Don't you have enough courage to actually talk about what you know is a done deal? Have you ever explained publicly and clearly who/why/how this road came to be, and why comments opposed are of no value?
Proposed location of Nursing and Allied Health at North Campus. These programs should stay at main campus.
The asphalt access of the plan detracts from the Campus' naural beauty which should be accentuated further rather than diminished. The parking spaces envisioned for the area around the arboretum seems excessive and presumes the development of the much vaunted access road is a given. I say this because the proposed expansion around the arboretum would fill in the water channel that feeds into the campus'limestone waterfall.
Cost is a concern-people here in this area are already living on tight budgets.
More info. on the Fitness Center - will the part that now exists remain. There is an awesome view of wildlife while working out. Participants do not want to lose this and look at a parking lot.
Leave North Campus alone. It should stay a campus for regular classes, not Allied Health classes. There are too many people who would be affected with this change. This is a growing area and the student population will grow. The people involved in the Allied Health classes, come from various areas and Main Campus is more centrally located for those.
What will be happening to Nursing and Allied Health
The lack of a plan to address inadequate arts rehearsal and performance space is discouraging. In addition to serving as lab space for majors and general education students, JJC's arts programming brings more people on campus than any other series of college events (including sports). It creates the first impression of the college for many community members and potential students.
I liked the bridge, but I don't see much of a point in having it when all the student services are located in the same building and near T building.
Selling the property at north campus! If anything we should buy more property going west toward weber rd more people would know where we are with a corner campus building forget Bolingbrook!
The future road will destroy the atmosphere of this campus. It will bring traffic problems, noise, smell, litter and access to increased crime on this campus. Accidents will increase causing injury in some cases to those that use the campus. Very poor, destructive idea.
I still don't understand making the north campus into just a nursing school and putting an education center in Bolingbrook rather than just add on to the north campus like you all are going to do to the main campus.

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It seems like it will be a great plan for 10 years from now; but what about 20 years from now. It seems to me that we should be adding more-than-enough classrooms so we don't run out of space (again).
Proposed expansion for the automotive facility seems to be overlooked in all 3 plan designs or at least there is no mention directly related to the automotive facility expansion.
I do not like the large road that I saw up next to the JJC campus.
I notice that there is a large road that runs along the campus, I'm concerned that this would bring too much car congestion to the area and possible disturbing the wonder wildlife that is currently present.
The proposed road wasn't explained well.
Nursing should not be moved to Romeoville. Remember this is "Joliet Junior College". For many in the area you are adding a 30-45 minute drive (depending on the time of day) to get to school at that campus. In addition what about those who are in the Nursing program and need to take additional courses not available at the Romeoville campus? I am extremely upset about this. I have children and need to be home when they leave and go to school. Moving the nursing program to Romeoville is going to cause many obstacles for me to be able to accomplish my goals at JJC.
No mention of space for an Early Childhood Lab Center. If JJC is committed to the program there needs to be recognition that a Lab experience is key to our students learning. Students need an environment that will provide opportunities for practical experiences.
Again. The through street idea is terrible and I oppose it. 1 More strangers on campus. 2 Irrelevant traffic on campus. 3 Environmentally disruptive. cuts across bike path. Nothing to say in favor except for special interest developers.
Nursing at North Campus
Some areas are still some what high traffic areas.
The Proposed Road that was on the map that was not discussed, I thought this proposed road was dismissed, but it is there on the map.
The proposed combination of the YMCA services and activities with the JJC Fitness Center doesn't work for me. We are either a college community or a YMCA. Liability insurance on pool facility will be cost prohibitive.
The proposed road will have a negative impact on JJC with little or no benefits.
Relocating the administration building. It has worked in the present location for years. Just move other things out of the building.
The idea of moving North Campus and dislocating all NC employees and students
No options for expanding North Campus (original plan called for 3 buildings)in order to accommodate both Allied Health and Gen Ed classes.
Moving Nursing and Allied Health to North Campus
The plans for "going green" on the rooftops is a bit much. Our gardens used to be beautiful, but the upkeep over the past few years has been poor. We can't manage what little gardens remain, so I hope extra manpower will be considered.
The bridge between T & J should be built earlier. Students are at risk when they have to walk between the T & J lot in the open unprotected path along the road and woods.
As reading all the plans...the bridge from J to T should not be at the bottom of the list!
The bridge in the plan was shown as an open air bridge. Burr... Making another bridge like we have now would give more room for indoor student activities as well. If the new bridge goes to the second floor of J then the two bridges would be on different floors of J. That makes no sense, but may be someone started counting in the basement.
The idea of making north campus a nursing school and moving all the regular classes to Bolingbrook. If you expanded North Campus and put in upper level classes you could fill the campus easily.
I do not like the new road going through campus proposed by the City of Joliet.
I think the new entrance to the Campus Center would be better at our current main entrance with the green houses staying in the current vicinity.
This road thing has got to be stopped. It's going to totally alter the campus environment in a negative way, all to save some business-people some money? Run the damn thing through someone else's property if it has to happen. It should not happen on JJC property!
Outdoor bridge - will prove to be difficult for upkeep during the winter months with reference to snow.
Moving allied health to North Campus
Not enough emphasis on classrooms and the need for more offices.
The open bridge between J and T is not necessary if the new administrative building is built first. The disciplines that would be in J and T differ significantly and I believe there would not be much cross traffic. Also how many people will use an exposed pathway vs. an indoor pathway (current)? Weather has to be very comfortable for that to happen.
That there is no real mention of how this could ever be paid for, leaving one to guess where the money might be coming.
Plan does not provide enough classroom space for the 40,000 anticipated students!!!!!! The educational needs of the community as a whole are being ignored. Special accommodations are being provided for culinary arts and nursing. I do not believe these areas of study service the majority of JJC's student population. Adequate classroom space will not be generated by moving nursing to North Campus and reconfiguring other vacated space. Classes are currently held at many satellite sites, but often these classes are cancelled due to low enrollment. The addition of more leased classrooms at satellite sites looks good on paper, but I do not believe it will address the overcrowding of Main Campus.

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Need more information on the implementation of the program and the remodeling of the existing space. The gran plan was presented with little details on how it will be accomplished. Having built many educational facilities and work on some developmental building programs, the details are critical to decision making and I need more to honestly assess the ideas presented.
Allied health at north campus. I think focusing on gen ed for that location is optimum.
There is no mention of EMS having any place to be on campus.
Removing the temporary buildings.
lack of listening to students reponses.
Other than the nature trail, there is no other way to view the beauty of the area or be a part of it.
Renting, not owning classrooms in Bolingbrook.
Has traffic impact been reviewed both with east west road to (=55.
Isolating the Nursing & Allied Health students from the rest of campus life. Will there be enough of the non-program classes (e.g. English 101) offered at North to complete a degree?
I'm not convinced moving nursing and allied health to north campus is the best strategy.
Moving Nursing to North Campus will be a bid inconvenience and may cause a hardship on many students already having a tough time.
We should be more worried about the education of the students instead of worrying about how much money could be made by selling the land around North Campus. Maybe a survey should be taken of the people of Plainfield, Lockport and Romeoville and see if they would want to have to travel to either Bolingbrook or Main Campus for the classes they want to take. The college should be here to service the people, it should not just be all about money.
Having only Allied Health here at North.
Moving gen ed classes at Romeoville to Bolingbrook.
The "Proposed Road" will disrupt the campus environment in a series of negative ways, which were submitted to you in many ways, at many times, by many people, apparently to be disregarded and uncommented upon.
The inclusion of the feeder road between I 55 and Houbolt Road. While the city has yet to embrace the building of this road, the college seems hungry to accommodate it. Allowing such construction on the very boundary of the campus would pose much higher risk for accidents, isolate Centennial Commons, undermine the utility of the Campus' natural areas for educational purposes and degrade th ambiance of the Campus which has been cited by students and faculty as one of the College's most appealing attributes.
Would like to see minority involvement with the project.
Is there a proposed auditorium or general assembly hall? The school definately needs one.
More general classroom space would be ideal.
Sell city center campus and use the money to better centeraly locate a facility since the activity at city center campus is not the same as main move it farther west!
Moving nursing to North Campus. Possibly will work out but will isolate this important program from the rest of the college.
I would like to see a covered walkway with underground heated sidewalks. Just something down the center of the main parking lot.
The automotive coordinator and faculty have met with several administrators and provided justification for expansion, provided sketches, talked about recruitment efforts and have gained overwhelming support from the auto advisory committee members.
I dislike the joining of the YMCA to the fitness center. Location of the fitness at it current location is great, easy access in between classes.
The new bridge seems exspensive.
Moving cafeteria a bad idea. Loss of view. Loss of importance of J & K Buildings
No additional space for Fine Arts
The second bridge seems unnecessary
While walking over the new walkway, will taxpayers be looking at the JJC lake in its current state?
I think the nursing move will not work because there is not buy-in from those directly affected.
The administration doesn't need a new building. Classroom and office space is more important.
Insufficient space planned for a possible 'East Campus'. There is sufficient potential enrollment in the New Lenox/Frankfort to support at least a 10 classroom facility.
I don't think I saw the specific plan for where The Office of Student Activities will be located. It's imperative that we be where the students hang out in between classes.
Not enough addition to parking areas.
There doesn't seem to be space to expaned later when we run out of room again.
Nursing and Allied Health on North Campus, really bad idea. Nursing needs to be next to T building as a cornerstone of the College. Also the college is already north and east of the center of the district and you want to move Nursing farther north and east of center and away from easy access to two interstates. I could go on but it seems pointless. What was a bad "What if" is now a part of the proposal to move forward. Can we see a list of positives for this move or maybe a comparison / contrast report of a new building on Main Campus vs. the remodeling and expansion of North Campus for us by Nursing Education and Allied Health. I have personally come up with no advantages for students, faculty, or staff for this move. I have come up with many disadvantages for these groups.

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I do not like the new road going through campus proposed by the City of Joliet.
I believe the new bridge should be enclosed to accommodate future growth however, the look is very nice with it opened. Would the open side be inline with safety?
Why does Nursing have to move? I don't think the case has been made for such a move. They're going to have to be in constant transit to their anatomy classes on the Main campus. Why impose that burden on them?
Loss of parking with the building of the YMCA and ECC buildings? What if the road doesn't happen?
Moving allied health to North Campus.
The plan does not seem to deal with "turf" and programs that have too much space and attention for their enrollment and programs with too little.
Will additional parking (500) significantly reduce green areas of the campus. We seem to readily take green areas for parking.
Plan puts too much emphasis on appearance, front entrance, etc. What is the total square footage of the new administration center and what is the anticipated construction cost per square foot? Again, I state that the money could be better spent on the creation of classrooms.
I question the dual use of the new sports/fitness center and how that would work out. Need more info on this project. I also question the idea not included in the presentation on the new road proposed by Joliet and access to the campus which would affect your plan & campus security.
What the proposed road will do to the plan.
Not creating a portal like on the Starship Enterprise to beam or teleport students, faculty, and staff to different locations anywhere on Campus.
Move to Bolingbrook.
With the Y, will employees still get the Fitness Center free?
I am more positive of the plan than negative.
Selling off the extra property.
Selling valuable land in Romeoville instead of expanding campus.
The "Proposed Road", which we keep hearing is not a done deal, (when we hear anything, which is rare) is apparently a done deal, which the "leadership team" chooses to avoid confronting the opposition with. And according to your business model, that's "transparency"? According to the democracy model, that's top-down "this is what we're doing, get used to it, we're only asking for your comments for appearances sake".
I question the validity of the conclusion that the town square model is the most widely accepted plan. I guess it depends on how one chooses to interpret the data.
Tearing down the temps it is the only storage area on campus remember what happened at north campus!
This is called a 5 year plan but does not seem realistic that all these buildings and changes can occur in 5 years.
Not being kept in the loop.
The movement of the nursing program seems to put it out of the way.
There is no room proposed for the art department.
Does not appear to be enough planned parking to allow for existing and future vehicles.
I'm concerned the new bridge connecting T and J will be mishandled. This project has to be done very carefully to not have a negative environmental impact.
Money??? Manpower??? Only 5 years???
There is no talk about adding classes to some of the other departments who need more classes. How will the shift happen when admin moves to a new building.
Give us more space by making buildings more than two stories. Put the Library up-front with all the other college services. You can make it floor three and four of the new college services building making it more visible/useable by the community. The vacated space would be perfect for multiple uses including the relocation of student recreation facilities located in D-1005. This would then free up D-1005 for offices and/or a meeting room as it was many years ago.
I am not sure about all the allied health being moved. In one way I think it is a very good idea, but in another it may make it harder for local students to attend unless the bus service is revised. I believe many students from the east side of Joliet would be adversely affected by this move.
Do we really need another "walkway" across the lake? I'm against the idea. And when the walkway is built (note my feeling of lack of influence) please do not build it across the fabulous canyon which has the current footpath. That damn freeway access road will destroy the only other such exposure of Silurian dolostone on campus. Why should we lose both?
Moving allied health to North Campus
I am worried about J-K buildings and the way they are to be used. I am in Fine Arts and we need space. I worry that other departments will start grabbing space and we will lose out.
Development around the pond would reduce the natural setting of the campus (i.e. pathways, bridge, bench area).
More information on the program and the implementation. I understand the presentation was meant as an overview. I need more substance to evaluate the ideas. If nursing leaves what happens to their space? What happens to the existing fitness & athletic space and on and on and on. I need a more detailed comprehensive plan to correctly evaluate it.
Fire Science needs additional classrooms

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No where in the plan did it show or state that the lake would be filled in to create room for the new parking lots and buildings, I know this is in the works, you can't hide things from me or the community!
Not including career services and the transfer center in the campus center
Moving the cafe away from the main classes
Partnership with the YMCA.
Absolutely nothing.
The plan seems very good, and I couldn't think of any personal changes I would make.
I really dont feel that there is anything wrong with it at this time, just wish it would have been done earlier.
Before you add a bike path to along the lake, consider cleaning up the lake and make it a little more presentable to the eye
I think that we should make it more of a green school, and buy that it should have solar power on the roof.
I like the new bridge from J to T but it seems so "open" I worry about safety issues with it.
Nothing the plan seems to be a good one I have no dislikes about it just concerns Such as the ones listed above.
The Sports Complex
i wish that the bridge between T and J had a covered and heated section for use in the winter
It did not look like the new bridge was enclosed.
I like all the thing that will be happing
I think that there should be more parking spaces.
What appeared to be an outdoor bridge between J and T Buildings would not make alot of sense. We live in the city of Chicago, it gets cold and snowy in the winter. I'm not sure if the bridge would be utilized by many people in the winter or if its raining during the other months.
I would like to see more growth within the individual programs themselves at JJC like and improved or growing science department. More growth directed towards the education part of JJC instead of the look of the JJC building.
I really thought all the ideas where good and i do not disagree with them.
Do not like all the attention on "new buildings" when the main reason for additions to existing or new building should be for the classrooms. All these years.....the college need additional space for classrooms.....not NEW Administration offices.
I did not like the YMCA sharing the fitness center area. Are we a college or a health club? Who will have priority? I am a member of the YMCA in Plainfield. It is already overcrowded and raising monthly rates every year.
If an East Campus isn't built then they need to leave the Romeoville Campus and expand on all its classes there as it would definately impact travel for those in the middle and Eastern ends of Will County. Moving it out to Bolingbrook with all the traffic would be disaster for commuters especially with children involved.
What is that proposed road??? I would like to know more about that...it looks like it would cause a lot of accidents and congestion!
Moving nursing and allied health programs to the north campus
Allied Health located off Main Campus
It's hard to think of a fault in what must be pure genius.
Moving the cafeteria to the front of the campus, make us walk to the food and get some exercise rather than putting it right out infront and the whole cafeteria connected with the counseling never did it for me either
I would like to see more landscaping it the plan, the way that it is in the movie it is very plain, It needs a lot of color.
Nothing was mentioned about what will become of the old fitness center and gym when the new fitness center is built.
Moving things from the J building
i want to see more satellite class being taught in the southern half of the district things that can relate to everyone
More parking is needed by the J building.
Also more entries to the college it is always busy with alot of traffic
What happens to B Building? It was not addressed in the movie.
It is good that you are expanding around the district, but can you accomodate for transportation? I am from out of state and it is hard enough getting to school, let alone driving around 525.
Do not like attention to "new entrance." Nor do people like the moving of places that already have been "remodeled, painted and carpeted."
Was the expanded parking outside J addressed?
Lockport/Homer consideration as it is off of I355 - it's more conveniently located now and accessible than Franfort/Mokena/New Lenox would be.
proposed road
The road...
Nope, can't come up with one.
Adding some parking will help but be sure to put it where needed I think there is now a whole lot of useless parking around JJC
Also, just because people who live outside of the district can not get finacial aid, eventhough they are quailified otherwise is rediculous. It is Federal aid, so what is the difference if you live 5 mins away or 45 mins??
Why so much attention to the "sports?"
proposed road

Comments (unedited responses)
Since the Bolingbrook Center will offer other institutions to occupy this space, then JJC should consider having both nursing and general education courses so that students are not stifled and have to travel to main campus.
Actually listen to the students (you know, the reason we are actually here teaching)/faculty of the college instead of the dream of a select few.
Have in the design of the greenhouses that they be self sustaining, having systems to produce its own electricity and heat. Wind power and ground source heat. Please consider the access needed to the mechanical areas on campus and provide roads for service and utility vehicles.
We need to pin down Bolingbrook on plans for their facility
How is the new building being paid for. Will tuition go up a significant amount?
I hope some serious thought has been given to traffic control, esp. on the south side of campus. It's difficult at times now to get in/out of the parking lots - with the new road, it's going to be a lot worse. We'll need lights instead of stop signs.
I thought the presentation was excellent and media deserves another "kudos". I am excited about the plan and look forward to the initiation of the plan and the growth of the future.
Parking for adjuncts is sorely needed. Especially if classes start after 10:15 a.m. there is hardly a spot.
The white chairs in the concourse won't be white for long. Students and staff should eat in the designated eating area. We learned as children that you eat at the dining table, not on the couch or in the computer labs. We should think green. Turn the lights OFF when the space is not in use.
Unfortunately, due to a previous engagement, I cannot attend the meeting to be a voice for the allied health and nursing to be moved to the North Campus. I have been in the Nursing program for 2 semesters and have done all of my prerequisites at JJC. I know in the past, JJC has never offered any biology courses in the North Campus because the labs were all located on the Main Campus. All of the nursing students are required to do at least 3 biology courses and the RN program requires a microbiology course. Since none of these are offered (and probably won't be offered) on the North campus, JJC is going to make these nursing students drive from Main campus to North campus if they are taking any of these classes at the same time.
Also, all of the Nursing students go to clinical sites on a daily basis and then go back to class after. 75% of these clinical sites are around the main campus site close to or south of I80 and now you will have these students drive from their clinical sites to Bolingbrook from Morris or South Suburban. I live south of I80 south of Joliet and there is no easy way for me to get to North Campus without having to fight traffic. I also do clinicals in Joliet and it can be a stretch just getting to the Main campus from Silver
I know there are a lot of other curriculum's which the North Campus could provide much better than what you would be making there. What about expanding your culinary arts program and having them go to North Campus where they don't have to do any clinicals and All of these other curriculum's don't require people to go to class after giving a speech to the media or writing their English paper. Keep your prerequisites, clinical sites and your students together in the same area. Thank you for your time.
By moving to JJC to Bolingbrook, it would be a total injustice, as they are at the farthest point of our boundaries and part of their population is not even in Will county so they would not even be able to attend at in district rates. Maybe people should forget about their friendships with the Mayors of the various towns and do what the students and the taxpayers feel is right. Also, many of us are more than one status. Why can you choose only one Status option.
Why are we so concerned with what the property is worth? Let's USE the property we have to expand the school We could add second level classes. We could keep the Gen Eds and also house Allied Health. It doesn't seem that anyone (the current NC students or the Allied Health students) is in favor of the changes you are proposing. We have a photo lab, computer and Bio labs. Let's use them to their fullest.
I would like to see curriculum related plantings around E-building or nearby for biology courses that emphasizes diversity in form and native species. Also, suggest a greenhouse directly attached to the new Science building and/or the western exposure of the new science building have plenty of windows for growing plants in the hallway.
Regarding a potential site in the Mokena/New Lenox area of the district that would have up to five classrooms... I'd like to see the college take advantage of the four semismart classrooms available at the Weitendorf facility to find out what our needs really are in this area of the district. It's not in the exact location you talk about in the presentation, but it exists already and would be a good start to see what sort of response we'd have to offering courses in this end of the district.
So this is the second "master plan presentation"? We commented on the first, which had no road. Now this one has the road, but if you blink, you miss it. Likewise, you seem to be counting on confusion to limit comments: how many people will think, I already commented on that plan"? Is there anywhere where we are informed that this is a substantially new plan from the one we all commented on, and that a new set of comments is needed (presumably also to be ignored)? "Oh yeah, we collected comments- hardly anyone responded." What a surprise. Pardon me if I think we're being flim-flammed here, but that's the message you're sending.
I cannot view the master plan on a Mac computer in my own office at JJC. I don't know how I can comment, you should have enabled all computer users to see this plan. I also do not like the fact that it was never mentioned that these comments were separate from the first 3 plans. Otherwise you would have received many more comments. Everyone is thinking that they make their comments already. Nobody ever clearly stated that this is the final master plan and you need to make new comments addressing this one. Never.

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<p>The plan is comprehensive and good for the area.</p>
<p>Use of the bridge for a small performance/classroom space would relieve some of the space demands for the Theatre and offer more students opportunities. Modifying the current bookstore space into a new art gallery should also be considered. If the current cafeteria is vacated the space might be suitable for band and choral rehearsal rooms--this would be a great improvement in terms of safety. The current bandroom is too small to accommodate the community band. Hearing loss is a real danger for band members.</p>
<p>Will the OSA office be located on the bridge or in the student center? Also, will the library be stay in the same building?</p>
<p>What is the New Master Proposed Master Plan this is the first I have heard of any plan and I reviewed all my e-mails with no mention of a Master Plan may I suggest that you send out a draft of this plan so everyone is on the same page. Then myself and many others are more informed of the plan and then can comment.</p>
<p>The positioning of a new bridge over the lake is an attractive idea but if JJC is going to spend a large sum of money to rehabilitate the lake, the construction of such a bridge will likely have a negative impact on the lake. Does it make sense to repair the lake then turn around and cause negative impact to it? I don't know.</p>
<p>Three issues of concern:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Protected(from weather)passenger drop off entrances for <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. taxi traffic b. buses c. handicapped d. elderly e. pregnant women f. women with infants/toddlers g. violent weather 2. handicapped parking very near entrances (otherwise, what is the point of having handicapped spaces?)-- maybe, selected entrances--but not remote (because otherwise, what is the point?)-- if then the person must migrate great distances. 3. Interior shuttle service for persons with difficulty getting around--therefore, doors and elevators would have to accommodate the vehicle.
<p>The proposed bridges caught my eye and I would certainly like to see editions to the current bridge and the reconstruction of the new bridge. I know it may be alot of finances, but what can you do when you are trying to achieve great things?</p>
<p>Let's all keep up the good work and try to do better.</p>
<p>I think that the new bridge might be nice, but I also feel that it is unnecesary. Also, I felt that the new road was not clearly pointed out. I feel that this road should be brought to people's attention. It seems like the idea of the new road is being skip over in hopes that no one notices. I do not think that it is right.</p>
<p>You really should listen to your Nursing Program Staff. As I have learned they are extremely disappointed at your decision to move nursing to Romeoville. The program may lose many very qualified staff members who believe you are doing the program a disservice.</p>
<p>On December 6, 2007, the 25 full-time faculty of the Joliet Junior College Natural Science/P.E. department unanimously passed the following resolution: Whereas, the faculty of the JJC Natural Sciences/P.E. department believes these negative impacts greatly outweigh any possible benefits of said road; therefore, be it resolved, that the faculty of the JJC Natural Sciences/P.E. department strongly urge the JJC Leadership Team and Board of Trustees NOT to approve the building of the proposed road.</p>
<p>I am not sure of what entirely the master plan includes, but I do know that it has the entire nursing program moving into the North Campus. I am very much opposed to this because this is where I take a majority of my courses. I am from Lemont and it is quite a drive all the way to the Main Campus. I believe if anything, the North Campus should be enlarged and offer more classes there. I feel that you could be losing a lot of students who utilize this campus. There are many students who are working and running their families who take night courses who may lose out on any opportunity if you were to take away the North Campus.</p>
<p>I like the idea of converting part of the bridge to a small, black box theatre when a student center is built. This will relieve some of the schduling pressure from the theatre with music vs. theatre and provide an additional classroom for music and theatre classes.</p>
<p>I think the City Center campus should become the Workforce Development Center and try to get other agencies to rent space here (i.e. Unemployed and CED).</p>
<p>The proposed road was on the map but I thought it had been dismissed, but it was there on the map, this road would hinder accessibilty to and from the college not to mention destroy future growth of the college because that land could no longer be built on by the college. Also that road would destroy many natural areas around JJC, which the natural areas are what I like the best. The second bridge looks really nice, but is it really necessary? It seems like an expensive endeavor and the walk from J building to T building is not that bad. I understand making the campus full circle would be nice, but the lake is going to be cleaned, and then you are going to be building in it again? Also there is no extra room proposed for the art department which is very cramped and in need of more space, for studio rooms and classes.</p>
<p>The Master Plan was well done. We had several meetings with the architects in our department and have been well informed about opinions and changes.</p>
<p>Keep the landscape as true as possible without damage since this campus is a plethora of wildlife, flora, and fauna which sits atop the some of the rarest-not-completely-explored earth. In many cases, the campus views are the only respite many have; we need the green.</p>

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<p>I think it is important that everyone reading these comments understands that the master plan feedback process did not work. Somehow the process got off track such that a significant portion of the JJC faculty and staff came to view their input as unwanted. I'm not saying this view is justified but it is a widespread view. The fact that this view is widespread means that the feedback on the master plan cannot be taken as a true reflection of the spectrum of opinions regarding this latest draft of the master plan for JJC.</p> <p>I am fully aware that a serious effort was undertaken to get feedback but I believe that effort did not work. I have talked to numerous people over the last few weeks who simply refused to participate in this comment period because they believed their feedback would not be given serious consideration. I tried to persuade some of these people to participate without success. I recognize that it is not fair to say that the master plan modifications after the last comment period completely disregarded the input from the comments.</p>
<p>However, it is how a significant number of people feel. Those feelings should be treated as real even if the steering committee believes those feelings are not justified. I am simply stating a fact when I say that many faculty and staff at JJC believe that the master plan steering committee did not give serious consideration to their input in the past. I'm not saying that belief is necessarily valid. I personally believe the reassurances given by the JJC senior leadership that neither the proposed road nor the nursing move to Romeoville are done-deals. However, the inclusion of both the proposed road and the nursing move in the master plan presentation along with the positive comments about both the road and the nursing move in the newspapers and in JJC publications have convinced many faculty and staff that these decisions are indeed done-deals. The problem is that many faculty and staff have trouble fathoming the depths of incompetence routinely displayed by the JJC senior leadership with regards to communication.</p>
<p>Where is all the money going to come from to make all the proposed changes?</p>
<p>If you move the north campus to Bolingbrook, you will be doing a disservice to a lot of students who will find it difficult to travel further, causing them to drop out!!!</p>
<p>I think a decision needs to be made regarding where the nursing department is going to be.</p>
<p>The master plan look great and feels right for Joliet Junior College. It is evident that many, many hours of research and planning went into this plan and those involved should be complimented. It will give our college a great front door entrance and will serve our students so much better.</p>
<p>There is nothing in particular that strikes me as likeable or dislikeable. I am more concerned about what was in the paper this weekend. The video mentions that J building will be renovated for the culinary arts center, in the paper it was mentioned that the college would like to have the culinary arts at city center. Which is it? If this is the master plan why would it be stated to the paper the opposite?</p>
<p>I think it is great and we should go for it but don't spend money on style, keep it low budget and not buy stupid things like state of the art flooring!</p>
<p>Have you thought about giving Campus Police their own building, as once all the expanding is finished we will need more campus police and their current area is already quite crowded. Also their department and their jail are separated which makes it harder for them to work.</p>
<p>I really like the idea of making the campus more environmentally friendly.</p>
<p>I love the idea that we are going to get a new facility for our culinary arts department. But in my opinion you should not make the area far away from the food area. A lot of students come to eat lunch because students make it and they know that we are open to the public for lunch and maybe even dinner.</p>
<p>If I needed to meet with people that are making these decisions to make more sense of what I have been saying I would be more than willing to.</p>
<p>I would like to join the JJC Natural Sciences/Physical Education Department in urging the Leadership Team and the Board of Trustees to not pursue any conditions making possible a road to connect Houbolt Road and I-55 for purposes of retail development.</p>
<p>I just can't shake the feeling that all the decisions have already been made, that seeking these comments is merely form over function. Perhaps it all started with the sudden meeting last year broaching the "road" topic just as we were all leaving for the summer. It sounded like a done deal then, too. Perhaps the economy will sink those plans, but I'd prefer to think that an outcry here would stop such a thing.</p>
<p>I think a lot of planning will need to go into putting in a Campus Center building between A & C buildings. It was noted that this would be one of the first things to be done, but many programs would need to be relocated first. Facility Services, Receiving, main Storage, Health Care Continuing Educ., Fire Science, Child Care, Law Enforcement and the Rend Lake athletic training areas would all need new homes prior to the new campus center building. Also, if the road doesn't go through, the YMCA may not want to partner with us, so then would Child Care get its own building?</p>
<p>Why not expand North Campus? The area is growing so fast and you own the land there. It makes no sense to us taxpayers that you would sell the land and then move classes to Bolingbrook.</p>
<p>Instructor's and classrooms are the soul of Joliet Junior College. If you want to sell the general population on a referendum, you must address basic needs. The public does not care about administration centers, etc. Everyone wants to see their money spent on needs.</p>
<p>I would like to see more weekend and evening classes</p>

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College President made public statements stating the reluctance of Culinary Arts / Hospitality Management to relocate to City Center Campus when Master Plan clearly places them on Main Campus where they have drawn plans to accommodate her request. None. The plan makes one speechless.

The plan looks great and I hope the board oks the plan to start the plan

I think that should be more for the day care center, since that we do have a lot of parents that do go here for school, and some times they have to bring them with, and it would also work with teaching.

Personally I feel the plan it self is one of the best I've herd. I am happy that the school took the time to ask the students how they feel about the plan. My only dislike is that they didn't come up with it sooner.

I am very concerned that the role of the fine arts as a component of the area's quality of life has been neglected. It is well documented that the arts are an important attraction to those persons and industries considering coming to a community and should be an important part of this college's mission. I will speak only of the music program of the Fine Arts Department, as it that with which I am most familiar. The music program, which is nationally accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), functions in one classroom and two rehearsal rooms. As noted by NASM in their report this past fall, these facilities are inadequate in number and in size. Any doubt as to this concern can be quickly determined by attending a Monday evening rehearsal by the 85-member Community Band, which spills out into the adjoining lobby and produces a sound which is far too great for such a small room. The difficulties and limitations created by presenting a full range of course offerings with only one classroom should be apparent.

The Department has been very flexible in utilizing the rehearsal rooms for additional classes but these limitations have reached a point at which it is difficult to serve our existing student base and perhaps impossible to serve the expanding population of Will County. I hope that appropriate attention to these concerns will be given and a solution included as part of a master plan. At this time, I see no solution under consideration.

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Excited and believe it to be a good plan.

I think the parking that they decide to make should be colse to the buildings because walking during the winter is harsh.

All I know is that we don't have enough rooms. So do whatever it takes to make more room and keep the college growing!

If you look back....When "J" building was originally built, it was never intended to be classroom in first place. Years we've heard about lack of classroom space.....why spend money on all these "new" areas, when JJC needs a building with all classrooms and some full time faculty offices.

Over all everything projected seems great. There are those few concerns for me but nothing that would greatly hinder my attending the college. I am really excited and looking for toward all the new changes as I think it will boost Will County's image a lot.

You should hold some kind of presentation about the expansion of JJC, im sure students would like to know whats going on with it all.