

## **Innovation of the Year Awards Program 2007-2008 PVCC Award Process**

### **Award Overview:**

The Maricopa Community College District (MCCCD) and the League for Innovation in the Community College co-sponsor the Innovation Awards Program to recognize an individual or a team of employees who have designed and implemented a significant innovation that has had a positive impact on the education of students. One innovation is selected from each college and the District Office. A district-wide innovation is then selected to represent Maricopa at the national level. The district-wide winner will be presented with the Paul M. Pair Innovation Award.

### **Eligibility:**

- Employee and employee teams are eligible for nomination by an employee or by self-nomination. Teams may include non-Maricopa individuals.
- Cross-college collaboration nominations are accepted. However, the nomination must be submitted by one agreed upon college/location.
- Nominations that were submitted in the past and still meet the criteria may be resubmitted for consideration.

### **Selection Criteria:**

For the 2007-2008 Innovation Awards, the criteria have been linked to a Maricopa Value. An innovation should meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Quality: It is evident that the innovation increases "quality" in the course, program, office, or institution. Value Education
- Efficiency: There is evidence that the innovation contributes to a more efficient way of doing things. Value Responsibility
- Cost Effectiveness: There is evidence that the innovation adds a value to the institution while at the same time containing or reducing costs. Value Responsibility
- Replication: The innovation selected can be replicated in other institutions with a minimum of difficulty. Value Excellence
- Creativity: The innovation should be as original as possible or the adaptation should be creative. Value Excellence
- Timeliness: The innovation should not be more than five years old in the institution, but it must have been around long enough to be tested so that it meets most of the criteria. Value Excellence
- Learning: The results of the innovation have been shared with others for the benefit of students throughout Maricopa. Value Education
- Collaboration: The innovation successfully demonstrates collaboration, teamwork, and cooperation to ensure continuous process improvement efforts on behalf of students throughout Maricopa. Value Excellence

### **Award Requirements:**

Award Requirements are established by the League for Innovation in the Community College and the MCCCD. See the League and MCCD websites.

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**Process/Timeline:**

- Award program announcement will be distributed through MCLI in late December.
- PVCC nominations will be submitted to Michaelle Shadburne by February 8, 2008.
- PVCC nominations will be rated by a panel consisting of PVCC policy group leaders and a representative from last year's college submission. Please note that if a judging panel member has played a significant role in a nomination, they will need to select an alternate.
- Recommendations will be forwarded to the College President for final consideration.
- PVCC's College submission will be forwarded to District MCLI by Friday, February 22, 2008.
- College Announcement will be made via the News From the Front.
- PVCC's College representatives will present to the District judging panel on March 6, 2008.
- Announcement of the District-wide winner will be made at the awards ceremony on Friday, March 28, 2008.
- College Recognition will occur at annual PVCC Employee Awards and Recognition Celebration in late spring.