

Column 7	Timestamp	How can Peralta Community College Improve at a Campus and District Level while transforming into a three -College District?	If possible, please list examples of what you just mentioned.	If possible, what tool, platform, structure may contribute to a solution?	Concern / Questions / Thoughts	This should be a
Noted	3/19/2026 15:20:37	Implement a more unified, user-friendly digital communication platform. If students and staff find the current tools high-friction, information won't reach those who need it most.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	3/29/2026 13:59:58	1) Learning programs/ cultural programs deserve their own spaces on campus. 2) campus safety needs to be prioritized. And NOT police on campus. 3) student education plans need to be pushed more throughout the entire district. 4) free meal programs need to exist for students. 5) more counselors at schools so students can actually make an appointment that's not 4 weeks later.	1) the tower relocation plans are a perfect example of how learning programs/ cultural programs etc weren't prioritized since the beginning. We need to prioritize them more and not until students speak out about it. We need to prioritize it from the start. 2) we had a school shooting this year, I don't think adding more guns to campus would make us more safe. We need to either make Laney more gated and not as public as it is. 3) most students don't know about education plans, schools need to push them more and advertise them more. Adding them as a required assignment in all classes would be good. If everyone has an education plan that's accurate, more people would graduate on time. 4) food insecurity is a huge issue for the Peralta colleges. Having a free meal program would benefit students a lot and help bridge that gap. 5) students struggle to meet with a counselor due to limited hours and high student demands for appointments. More counselors on campus could fix the problem.	1) using canvas to let students know about new relocation plans and adding surveys on there to see what they think. 2) more barriers around schools (gates, fences, etc) 3) having education plans accessible on canvas and then having students go to counselors for help to revise them and approve them/sign them 4) food pantry's and meal programs at schools 5) more counselors and maybe even a counselor related building	I'm really concerned about the relocation plans happening at Laney college. A lot of the time the word "temporary" is used for people going to new spaces. However moving spaces around a lot for learning programs, basic needs, etc. Creates less visibility overall at school for these resources which is detrimental in the long run.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	3/29/2026 14:31:45	Something that can improved the transformation of the three college districts coming together is to have the same infrastructure in regards of school supplies and room infrastructure.	One example can be the room infrastructure. The difference of technology that are set in a classroom in this three colleges are outrageous. This can help students to have the same resources in each of this campuses and since it's turning in one campus, students are going to need to have this same resources to avoid complications depending on the campus.	Fixing the classrooms infrastructure a similar way the all three colleges is important. This means that an important tool has to be a economic.	I feel like a lot of students often debate on how their classrooms are being old and does not motivate them to be in that place which causes them to lose concentration while taking classes. Remodeling classrooms similarly to a modern infrastructure can be a way to stop these discriminations between the colleges and also motivate students to go to class knowing they have the resources that they need.	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/1/2026 13:10:05	Adding resources for more basic needs for struggling students and having more career based help and counseling available.	Counselors are decent in some colleges, some far better but with career advising they all lack knowledge.	Maybe a website for counselors, counseling, and for students directly, also more resources on campus could include opening showers for the homeless to be able to use, and more food help for students.	no.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/6/2026 14:53:40	Ensuring that enrollments at COA and BCC won't be cannibalized in an effort to maintain the new college's larger status.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/6/2026 15:20:43	Focus on efficiencies	Many tasks require numerous emails and sharing of information via spreadsheets	Software solutions (e.g. scheduling)		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/6/2026 20:04:51	More communication Walk the halls, talk to folks	we had a great town hall at BCC around the unification in the fall but none of our questions were ever answered So many faculty don't know what's going on because they are adjuncts and miss flex meetings etc. try new ways to keep people in the loop - like setting up office hours with someone from the district at each college			
	4/7/2026 10:07:51	I'm seeing many things being centralized at the district level and while some of that is good (purchasing power, shuttles), there are many services that should stay at the college to serve the colleges such as A&R, warehouse, custodial, IT, AV, etc. Having things centralized at the district is fine if the district was functioning well but it doesn't seem to be functioning well. The district should help us instead of hindering us. The colleges need more power because we can do things well OR the district needs to get better to serve the colleges better. I'm also seeing an in-balance between Laney and the other colleges and that's unfair.	For example, the copiers are through the district but if we need ink or staples, it takes a long time to receive items and faculty and staff can't get their work done. Orders get routed to the district first but because there isn't enough warehouse staff, we have to wait weeks until we receive our orders which impacts how we serve students. For example, Laney has the bookstore and copying services. When the district took away our copying services, the message was that Laney would serve the other colleges but that is not the case. If faculty at BCC, COA, and Merritt need copies, they need to bring supplies (paper, binding, staples, etc) to Laney and then they need to pick up the copied materials. How is that a good use of their time? Students have also complained about having to go to the bookstore at Laney to get their textbooks. When the physical bookstores were taken away, we were told there would be bookstore pop ups at the colleges during the beginning and end of the semester but that has never happened. In curriculum, Laney is also blocking many new courses and course updates if it mentions AI. It's terrific that Laney is creating an AI program but they shouldn't be able to block a class that mentions AI. For example, if say a multimedia art class mentions using AI for sound design, it will get blocked at CIPD because Laney CIS/CS folks want to "own" AI but that is ridiculous because other disciplines use AI as well.	Less district power, more equitable division of resources between the colleges	BCC is doing so well on many metrics but I'm not seeing moves to correct the imbalance between BCC and the other colleges to give more support to BCC.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/7/2026 12:09:34	better coordination for course availability across the District; work toward course articulation approvals at a District level instead of having different articulation agreements at different campuses	If classes are traditionally offered at one campus, check in with the other campuses when changes happen because we see students taking classes at the other campuses and need info as decisions are made re: availability to help them with completion plans; ETHST 1 at Laney and AFRAM 1 at COA don't count toward transfer GE reqs the same way they do at the other colleges in the district	a Zoom meeting every semester amongst whatever people are responsible for making decisions about what classes will be offered; a Zoom meeting every semester amongst Curriculum and AOs at each campus to see which classes are being submitted and coordinate efforts (also advocacy at the state/UCOP level for Cal-GETC concerns)	I know these are difficult asks, but things will remain a mess until they're addressed	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/7/2026 23:42:07	Better financial aid office staff and professional	Staff training prep needs to be more focused Student incident resources and resolutions needs to be improved and financial aid office staff needs reality checks	Better training and more options for students to complete financial aid with more helpful staff	Financial aid office staff	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 8:33:11	Inform students why and how it changes.	Changes in the students subjects,why	Canvas may add info about the joint and amplify the info.	Do I have to sign in other college to study there?	Tier 2 - Second Priority

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	4/8/2026 9:19:57	Turn the tower building into housing for students/staff.	Instead of demolishing that building, repurposing it to be a new housing project for students/ or staff would be so refreshing. Especially for students/ or staff that are struggling, homeless.	I read an article recently about funding that was given to our district for housing development but has not been taken into effect.	I am concerned that our funding is not being adequately allocated for our community and students. We need access to more resources, essential.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 12:17:10	The colleges can all focus on expanding the time or variations of the specific classes they offer.	E.g: At Laney, the plumbing and electrical for carpenter's classes can become full-time instead of part time. They can also introduce weekend classes for working students. And they might create other new trade courses if possible. At Merritt: They can focus on their medical and horticultural classes the same way as above. At BCC: They can focus creating awareness for their ASL (American Sign Language) department because a lack of students has prevented the department from providing classes such as ASL 4 and other ASL classes. At Alameda: They can focus of their engineering department the same as the above options mentioned.	Weekend and evening classes for appropriate classes (E.g it would be difficult and unsafe to use a hammer or circular saw at night even with lights. But weekend carpentry or other trade classes would be a great, much needed addition)	Hopefully, the Peralta school district stays strong and does not dwindle further and inevitably close all together. Because Peralta is a pillar of the community that gives the power of knowledge to the powerless. Thank you Peralta! (Especially Laney :))	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 13:15:42	Peralta can improve by making communication clearer, simplifying registration and financial aid processes, and making support services faster and more accessible for students.	Faster responses from financial aid and counseling, Easier class registration without errors, More available appointments for counselors, Better communication about deadlines and changes	Online system to track financial aid status	I hope the transition to a three-college district doesn't create more confusion for students. Clear guidance and support will be very important during this change.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 13:15:48	the shift from four colleges to a three-college structure (streamlining Berkeley City College, College of Alameda, and Laney College while re-evaluating Merritt's role) isn't just about administrative downsizing—it's about creating a "frictionless" student experience.	A student at Laney College should be able to walk into the College of Alameda financial aid office and have their file pulled up instantly without "cross-campus" delays.	A visual web-based tool that shows students exactly which 20 classes they need for their degree, regardless of which campus offers them.	The biggest risk in this transformation is "Institutional Memory Loss"—losing the unique culture of a campus like Merritt or Laney during the merger. To avoid this, the district must ensure that while the systems are centralized, the culture (clubs, student life, and local community outreach) remains localized to each campus	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 13:25:18	I truly believe that Peralta community college is by the way it is! And transforming into the three college district could actually become a challenge for students rather than an improvement	N/A	N/A	N/A	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/8/2026 13:28:26					Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/8/2026 14:21:44	by making sure that no student is left behind.	Reaching out to student if the student is failing. Offer support groups.	Classroom tutors.	In class tutors present.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 14:26:48	Peralta can improve by creating consistency on all three campuses.	Improve counseling availability.	Counselors should check in with students who have fallen behind.	No student left behind	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 14:32:14	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/8/2026 14:56:18	Ensure each campus has appropriate autonomy and can keep their unique cultures if they choose. Academic programs that are running with full classes should be maintained at each campus that already supports them. Services are a natural area to combine efforts, making it much easier for students.	Services like financial aid, SAS, and counseling would likely be much easier for students to navigate if centralized. Each campus should of course still have access to those services, with employees available to help/advise, both in person and online.	Many students are busy, have children, etc., and can't always travel to campus in person. Online appointments with services should be available, and I'd like to see management trusting employees and using appropriate measures of productivity without micromanaging.	In Peralta people talk a lot about putting students first, but I rarely see that happening beyond the department level. We need to do better, especially as changes are made. If it's not a significant improvement, don't change it just for the sake of change. Students and employees need stability, and that's what our community deserves.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 15:42:34	I continued communication to the people affected by the change is key. Also, soliciting feedback at each stage can help people feel like they're involved in the process.	For example, if service locations are going to change, I think it would be essential to receive input, specifically from those who use those services, to where it would best be located to serve their needs.	It might be helpful to have an online tool where people can ask questions/give suggestions. I think also updating the Peralta community periodically (say, quarterly) through email would be beneficial.	I guess I'm just curious as to why this change is happening in the first place. Also, I wanted to say that I think this survey is very helpful in letting the community give input about the process.	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/8/2026 17:13:13	Refine availability of courses at each campus so that it is possible to attend a single campus for core subjects in any given semester.	To cover my courses for transfer, I've had to commute to three separate campuses in a single semester. Though this may not be a widespread experience.	This is a tough question, because the community college system at Peralta has become so much more accessible than when I originally attended over a decade ago...	Shout out to Laney. The care for the campus community is strongly felt!	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/8/2026 17:48:06	The district should make sure students are supported academically during this change.	The district should make sure there are enough academic counselors to help students figure out how their programs or classes will be affected.	There should be more drop in counseling hours.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 18:03:27	Have more links that take you to the main page of the district or consolidate into one website.	Merge merritt and laney websites.			Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/8/2026 19:03:24	Security uptake although there already has been, seeing more of it around all the campuses wouldn't be a bad thing. Bring back more resources food wise for athletes across all Peralta.	We used to get meals for the athletes for free for us to have inbetween or after practices that were actually pretty good.			Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/8/2026 19:43:56	Have it all say one school and not different schools on transcripts	My transcript says different schools when I've taken them online	N/A	N/A	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/8/2026 19:58:50	As a student, I think Peralta Community College District can improve by making everything feel more connected between the campuses. Right now, it feels like each college operates separately, and it can be confusing when I want to take classes at another campus or access services. I would like to see a single system where registration, counseling, and financial aid are easier to navigate across all colleges. Also, better communication would help sometimes I don't know what opportunities or resources are available unless I actively search for them. If the district is moving to a three-college system, it should make things simpler for students, not more complicated. Having clear program pathways and support for transferring or getting a job would make a big difference.	For example, when I try to register for classes at another campus, I sometimes have to repeat steps or can't easily see all available classes in one place. Also, counseling feels separate I can't always book an appointment across campuses easily. Another example is not knowing about internships or transfer opportunities unless I hear it from someone else. It would help if everything was more centralized and clearly communicated.	app for the whole district would help a lot where we can register for classes, meet with counselors, check financial aid, and see announcements. Something like a dashboard that shows everything in one place. Also, better use of email, text alerts, or apps for reminders about deadlines, events, and opportunities would make it easier to stay informed.	My main concern is that moving to a three college system might make things more confusing if it's not organized well. I worry about losing access to certain programs or services. I also hope students will be clearly informed about changes and how it affects us. Overall, I just want the system to be easier to navigate and more supportive of students trying to graduate or transfer.	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/8/2026 20:30:45	More unify student service.	Cross-campus enrollment, I don't think I'm struggling with it right now, but I remember when I was in high school, I had to drive back and forth to enroll for a class.	Online enrollment	NA	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/8/2026 21:43:09					Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 21:52:05	Make sure classes at later times for parents are still available.	Classes with start times past 5pm.	Keeping the staff and not minimizing due to the campus shifts.		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/8/2026 21:58:25	I think Peralta community college can improve meanwhile undergoing their project by having similar resources in each campus. I have attended Merritt before and they don't have a Mesa program or transfer center. They also don't seem to have much transfer counselors that you can talk to. Then I went to my home campus Laney because I thought they had one, and they also didn't have a transfer center. One thing that every campus should have is a transfer center because many students are new to how college and university function. I really needed a transfer center when I started browsing for schools. Fortunately I found a good counselor that I was able to rely on and talk to about my future plans, steps needed for transferring and which schools are a good fit. Especially since I was a previous UCLA student.		Something that may contribute to finding people on CalCareers, or specialized job boards for schools. As well as putting the word out there to many faculty that might know someone who would be interested in these positions.	N/A	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/8/2026 23:37:53	At a campus level, making sure that both the student body and faculty are aware of the changes that are being implemented, which services will be impacted, and the roll out process (timing). At a district level, I believe transparency and communication are very important, while also taking into account questions or concerns that may arise from the community at this point in time. There may be some wariness at PCCD's plan to merge into a three-college District, and so, I believe addressing these concerns is a top priority.	Community Debriefings, Emails about services being impacted, classes being offered still or if changes are being carried out, when to expect certain things to happen (essentially a timeline).	Social Media, PCCD Website, Email Newsletters sent out to students/faculty		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/8/2026 23:56:06	Add more classes during summer and weekends	For example for people that work there should be hours that are not as usual	Surveys and special classes that are zoom that way teachers don't teach too late or on weekends	N/A	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 10:22:51	More in-person classes, more full-time professors, better curriculum oversight, clearer accreditation in regards to transferability				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 10:57:34	I want to confirm that the certifications are Laney for things like mechanical design, architecture, babrixation, and other hard skills. People really value the certifications and look to Laney for this!				
	4/9/2026 11:01:08	There should be a teacher rating system for course majors.	At Laney, the department has evaluations for professors every 2 or 3 years. There should also be one for students, where students score based on teaching styles, or when enrolling for a course, students can read a bio.			Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/9/2026 11:05:24	There should also be a module for student resources on Canvas, like the one for clubs. We can offer an assessment students can take that will guide them to resources we offer or they may need.			There should be resources available at all 4 campuses even through there soon will be 3 schools	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 11:13:28	There should be an in-person orientation and more accessible transfer support.	For SO MANY students, we are not able to schedule appointments with the same counselor, so we schedule with the next available person that fits our schedule. The problem in this is that everyone gives you different information, and as a result, we miss important deadlines. Although this may be a human error, this contributes to the life factors that students take an average of 8+ years to finish a 2 YEARR degree - transfer or not.	Standardization with career pathways. Councilors at every campus should be required to attend a general session at least once a school year or every semester. It is evident that no one is talking to each other, and the ones who get screwed are the students who have lives, are parents, and are caretakers; many have to pick between an education and a meal. To honor the mission and statement from Peralta to the Campuses, there has to be some kind of compromise of the school to district bickering with who is to blame.	Do nothing, and it shows that it is a scam, and every one is toooooo self centered to help the next person	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 11:16:15	Have dedicated prayer spaces in each campus				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 11:17:08	Change Laney ventilation, some places have mold				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 11:21:24	1- More plants in each quad. 2- Building with leaks due to rain. 3- More lamp lights 4-Access to charging stations 5-More signs with security numbers 6-Better lighting in Labs 7-Decrease time between each shuttle run 8-Have DEA boues in each campus known area or information for people where they are.	At Laney			Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/9/2026 16:03:30	Yes	Yes	Yes		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/9/2026 18:17:48					Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/9/2026 20:12:21	n/a	n/a	canvas more surveys and qna zooms	n/a	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/10/2026 23:37:03	I think they shouldn't combine the schools.	Laney and Merritt both have their own identities.	n/a	I wish the schools weren't merging.	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/13/2026 13:06:05	Test	Test	Test	Test	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/14/2026 11:09:22	Help and a person while againsting in classes	Guiding with the right curriculum so I can take the right classes	An easy method to achieving goals	Make sure I am on point	Tier 1 - Top Priority
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	4/14/2026 11:19:45	giving kids free clipper cards, making it easier to get services and hire people who actually care to work there and provide joy for the community. Not just a bunch of disgruntled paper pushers who could care less if students succeed and are simply there for a government job.	You have the money to do so, make transportation accessible, or more classes for god sake. I shouldnt have to take classes online outside of the peralta district given theres four colleges and not a single one offers classes needed in criminology major transfers. Its absolutely ridiculous.	people who care, transparent auditing, and letting THE STUDENTS WHOS PARENTS OR THEY THEMSELVES PAY TAXES FOR AND who live in the city these public establishments are in have more leadership and decision making.	Giving kids ac transit cards but not bart is performative and lazy, we should cut all those useless employees who dont do anything on campus all day and actually prioritize the students.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:26:46	I think that providing more refillable water stations would help with the quality of life.	Fix the refillable water stations that already exist and create a couple more refillable water stations for convenience.			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:28:57	It can help me get higher scores	I always get full credit on most english assignments	Asking for help if I need	No	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 10:30:32	more publicity about dual enrollment for high school students please	i have a high schooler who is considering dual enrollment when he turns 16. It would be great as a parent to have way more info about how that enrollment works, and how the transition to college works after that.	email, marketing in east bay express online and in the actual paper newspaper! also oaklandside, the nonprofit newspaper.	I am thrilled with this idea. we support community colleges one hundred percent.	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 10:30:34	The peralta bus isn't as convenient for people to go from coa to bcc it would nice if you could have a app or something to know the times a bus would come and if a bus can go from coa to bcc instead of Laney to bcc. It can be really hard for people that attend multiple schools that don't drive to get to school.	- Peralta bus app for times -Peralta bus that takes you from coa to bcc	Peralta bus app	It would be nice to have access to this because as of right now peralta bus isn't convenient and your better of regular bussing to school	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:32:06	You guys combining the colleges is complete ignorance.	Jobs being taken away, student-athletes having less opportunity to transfer to four-year universities and play collegiate sports. There is a legacy at Laney athletically and ever since Coach Beam died you have fucked up everything for your benefit.	Stop the combination of school and government students a chance to thrive like they have been without combination.	Literally everything. This is disgraceful.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:34:07	Continue to have more shuttle service	Maybe we can make shuttle trips for Friday	We need to be able to get with the operators and see what is a possibility	N/A	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:35:27	I think is more better than that because it's more connection between that	I don't know	I don't know	I don't know	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:37:16	I would oppose to the Laney and Merritt merge into a three-college district.	Peralta Community College District: Berkeley City College, College of Alameda, Laney, and Merritt College have been 4 colleges for a very long time.	I know there is money to fund to keep all 4 colleges going.	The taxpayers money is being spent on the war to Iran.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:39:13	Improve financial aid staff, better help from administrative services, better trained counselors.	Train current employees on how to better serve their students. If a student is in a program like EOPS or CALWORKS for example there is no reason they should be struggling to get the support they need due to lack of effort from the employees. Maybe some people have to go if they are not willing to better serve their students demographic: they are working with.			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:40:35	I have that same question since I have not seen any report which shows the merger will result in a financial savings or in higher enrollments overall.	Where is the data which supports the merger?		The District seems to have a huge overhead, which is a drain to the campuses. Why not save money by reducing the District?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:44:31	Have a more streamlined, cogent, clear, timely and efficient vetting process for evaluating transcripts from other colleges/universities especially when evaluating transfer credits. Provide student housing or at least a no-cost service that connects students with vetted homeowners/property owners.	See the aforementioned entry.	Soliciting feedback from other universities on how they manage this process.	It's an abomination that students today are housing insecure and food insecure. How on Earth are they supposed to focus on their studies when they are worried in perpetuity where they will sleep or where their next meal is coming from?!!	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:45:28	More modern and streamlined admin processes that don't require students to go into campus, ie offer online form submissions and appointments				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:47:53	That's tough ... probably better to keep all four colleges with all new offerings under the banner of Oakland city college as the overriding one for any of the four ...	Sure new offerings coursewise would say oak city class anthro class 101a offered at our Merritt campus ... that way the new logo is only good at graduation and on brochures ...	Sure eliminate all payable codes for laney and merritt and attach all migrated one to Oakland City college w/ a new appellation of code OakCityM or OakCityL in accounts payable. That way laney college can keep its eagle and Merritt can keep its Panther (tho because of my politics OakCity should have the panther logo and share it with merritt college.)	Well I hope that the Laney Tower moves can be postponed for one year or until the Library Center is built because that way we avoid burning out our staff and over stressing them in these nearly apocolyptic times.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 10:53:26	Accessible resources across all campuses.	As a Merritt college student, I have nowhere on campus to buy scantrons and was told to go to Laney. This was challenging for me because I had to navigate two different campuses with no success of finding what I needed. I went on Amazon to buy what I needed and now I have an excess of scantrons.	For accessible resources like scantrons, perhaps a vending machine in each building across all campuses with individual/simple supplies like pencils, scantrons, notebooks, etc. at costs between \$.50-\$1.00. please include Apple Pay as a payment option.	Will Oakland City College be divided into the Merritt campus and Laney campus? How will the two sites be named to minimize confusion? The shuttle has been helpful for me as a student and would like to keep that service going, especially for Laney and Merritt. How will student parking work across the Merritt and Laney campus? Do I have to pay or get a permit for both? Integrating the Peralta campus maps on canvas might be helpful since that is an app I frequently check. I already have a hard time finding what I need on the Peralta website. Is there a Peralta portal app that has a one stop for booking counseling, registering for classes, etc.?	

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	4/24/2026 11:12:30	<p>I believe the best approach when merging the two campuses is to maintain the Merritt campus as the health science hub, while making Laney the main campus for core STEM majors like biology and chemistry that are not currently offered at Merritt. This structure is very similar to the model Ohlone College uses. We can continue offering the existing classes at the Merritt campus and retain the same professors and laboratory resources. Instead of adding new majors there, it should function strictly as a branch campus, with specific pathways designated for Merritt and others for Laney. Essentially, if you are a nursing major, you would stay at the Merritt campus, but for certain general or core classes, you would go to the downtown Oakland campus.</p> <p>Diablo Valley College (with its San Ramon and Pleasant Hill campuses) and Ohlone College (with its Fremont and Newark campuses) are excellent examples of this successful model. Because certain courses are not offered at the branch campuses (San Ramon and Newark), students are required to travel to the main campuses. This dynamic forces students to collaborate and come together, which helps build relationships and sustain shared programs, ultimately saving the college money. Unifying major events and student services at one main campus fosters a stronger sense of community and connection, rather than separating the student body and reducing overall unity. I also think that the naming for Oakland City College sounds weird. I still keep Laney as the name and then say Laney Oakland downtown campus which is the main one which should be the main one. It has more majors, more classes more space and then call the Merritt campus the health science campus so that it's mainly for health science but it has those other classes. Some classes there are offered at Merritt are still offered. Because changing the name to Oakland City College sounds kind of weird. I like having a better name because all the other colleges also have a better name than just naming like Fremont City College.</p>	<p>One example is like what Ohlone College does at their Fremont campus and Newark campus. But also you can follow what DVC Diablo Valley College that's with their Pleasant Hill and San Ramon campus.</p>	<p>For nursing and health sciences, we should establish a specific associate degree program with full nursing accreditation at the Merritt campus, rather than relying solely on state accreditation. This would strengthen the institution as a whole and elevate the new Oakland City College nursing program.</p> <p>Implementing a single, unified application for Oakland City College that allows students to seamlessly enroll in the classes they need is a strong approach. However, there must also be a unified support system linking these courses together. We need to carefully consider which classes are offered at Merritt versus the Laney campus. While the downtown Oakland campus has more space and course offerings, the current Merritt campus hosts excellent professors and highly effective classes. We must retain these professors to preserve those academic opportunities, rather than removing them just because the colleges are merging.</p> <p>Overall, Oakland City College should be structured with the downtown Oakland campus acting as the main hub and Merritt serving as a specialized branch. High-demand classes should be available at both locations, while sections for lower-demand classes can be consolidated or reduced. We should focus nursing and health science courses at the Merritt campus, alongside targeted activities, programs, and services distributed based on where students need them most.</p> <p>The optimal structure would centralize major events, comprehensive services, and primary support systems at the main campus. The branch campus could focus primarily on instruction and essential localized support, such as extended library hours or targeted student assistance similar to what Diablo Valley College (DVC) offers. However, we should avoid duplicating so many services at the branch campus that it discourages students from coming together and building community at the main downtown Oakland campus.</p>	<p>Overall, my primary concern is that student support will continue to be lacking. Currently, services are fragmented: some are offered exclusively at Merritt, while others are only available at Laney. Because of this separation, students do not have the opportunity to collaborate, and they miss out on receiving the best possible tutoring from either campus. We need a unified student support system that truly guides students throughout their educational journey. For example, students pursuing STEM need access to high-quality STEM buildings, modern labs, and proper tools. Additionally, for students wanting to get involved on campus, there must be a wider variety of clubs and the resources to actually sustain them. Comprehensive support and vibrant extracurricular opportunities are exactly what is currently lacking.</p> <p>Students often choose Laney for its convenient location, or they choose Merritt for its specific, high-quality classes. However, there is a complete lack of unity and no overarching connection between the colleges to support the student body as a whole.</p> <p>Moving forward, I hope we avoid increasing budgets for administrative bloat. Instead, any saved funds should be reallocated directly to student opportunities. We need to preserve, broaden, and properly distribute diverse events, programs, and services that actively help students. Specifically, we should invest in the Merritt campus by extending library hours, upgrading the buildings, and creating better overall opportunities that encourage students to spend time on campus.</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 11:13:01	Hire a moving company so employees don't have to do their own moving since this is a campus/district project,				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 11:15:52	Don't do it! I really like Laney. It will change it.	The music department limited offerings already	Make the arts a priority	The arts need more attention	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 11:26:05	Make higher education free for all students. Education is power. An educated public is strong.	- Paying for higher education for students	Removing corporate greed Lowering the bonuses for higher admin to pay for education	Merritt College has significant cultural and historical significance. Why are you removing it's legacy?	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/24/2026 11:35:07	I have a lot of child projects that I want to build teams for (solving board games, running board game playtesting events, repairing an old transistor organ, to name a few), but have struggled to find people looking for projects to become part of (it's useful for portfolio, experience, and networking). I would love if I could somehow post/promote projects for other students to work on with me.	For instance, I recently joined a local maker space, and the music room in the space has a transistor organ from the late 70s/early 80s (Hammond Aurora Custom 227322). It is mostly functional, but needs some repairs, and I don't have the electronics experience to do these repairs. I'm sure there's someone across Peralta that would be interested in this, but I don't really have any strong avenues to promote this project.	Piazza or another forum-esque platform would be great for this. A Discord server could also work, in theory. I'd be happy to discuss implementation of this solution further at 30075436@cc.peralta.edu	<p>I have some more reasons that I think this is important, I'll leave those here: Firstly, I think this is a great way to get hands-on experience, learning opportunities, and portfolio work in basically any skill. Finding people more experienced than you in one area and offering training-for-training is an underutilized tool for learning, and this creates more opportunities for that method.</p> <p>Secondly, I think this builds community. When all I do is listen to lectures and do my homework, I don't build any sense of familiarity with the student body or the campus overall. This creates a space for creative types to connect and build a tangible connection to their neighbors and colleagues.</p> <p>Finally, as my most opinionated position of the three, I'll point out that this demonstrates nonfinancial value systems. I think a lot of people intuitively believe that all value they can provide to a community (or the vast majority of value) is strictly translated to an amount of money, but this idea explores the notion that your work can be valued on its own merits.</p> <p>Personally, I would be posting a lot of volunteer work in the programming/engineering spaces, which I believe have had the passion sucked out of them by corporate interests. This kind of platform rekindles that creative flame, allowing people in these fields (and onlookers!) to relearn how beneficial and beautiful they can be, especially when it's also providing a good to a local community.</p> <p>My kind of shoot-the-moon hope for this is that it teaches people how important, intellectually diverse, and creative their community is. I want people to learn that they can rely on their community to help them when they need it, as long as they help others when they can.</p> <p>I can tell as I continue to illustrate my thoughts on this, I began to wax more and more philosophical, so I think I'll conclude there. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at 30075436@cc.peralta.edu.</p>	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/24/2026 11:51:55	By facilitating the communication between staff members.	One way would be to unify communication into a single channel rather than having different ones that makes it harder to follow.			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 12:05:07	Smaller class sizes more humanities classes. more community fee based classes	Only most popular and common classes offered. Classes that were offered 5 years ago no longer offered. Never been in a class under 25			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 12:13:12	Degrees offered. Graduation/transfer requirements becoming one.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 12:28:38	Give us a nice deep pool with student wide access. Student wide access to the gyms without needing to sign up for a class. Give us better student body building	Good collegiate pool Good collegiate gym Rec center for the community?	Instead of needing to get everything past bureaucracy maybe streamline the system so that I'm not finding out about cool things after they've past.!	Please get a pool. And make sure there's no lead in the pipes please	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 12:33:40	offer more classes		social revolution		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 12:33:48	Maintain services in both Laney and Merritt, minimizing the amount students have to be split between the two campuses.	Keep "overlapping" faculty/staff positions at the two campuses, instead of only having one person in a given position for both campuses. This would mean less hassle and travel times for students and employees.	No layoffs. Manage the budget crisis in different ways.	I am concerned that this merge will mean many people are going to be laid off and students are going to suffer for it.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 12:39:48	Longer admission office hours, more funding for a singular college, and more convenience.			Considering that Merritt College and Laney College are at opposite sides of Oakland, how will the merging impact the location of the colleges? Will there just be two campuses under the same name? Or will the campus location change? I understand that Peralta does not have the funding for four colleges, but how will this affect current Merritt and Laney college students?	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/24/2026 12:54:35	Excellent! I support this!	Very good.	Very good.	No problem.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 13:11:15	Keep all campuses			I hate online learning, don't just go online instead of having campuses	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 13:15:00	Hire more full-time faculty members across departments. Empower faculty by hiring them full-time.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 13:31:05	Make transportation to the colleges easier	Similar to how high schools and middle schools in Oakland have bus routes going to the colleges, introduce that for Oakland Cit College	AC Transit	I hope it is accessible all throughout Oakland, especially downtown.	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/24/2026 14:06:14	Maintain and keep programs/ courses that are special to each site.	The legacy of Merritt College and the Black Panthers is priceless. Make sure to honor and promote social justice advocacy.	Survey students at each site which courses and programs are important to them.	Both Oakland sites are special and important. I hope that this transition supports student's and staff.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 14:17:37	This would make me very happy.		I am delighted that this will increase student exchange.	The commute might be inconvenient.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 14:25:16		3 English School for adults	To provide more support for one's needs		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 14:29:12	Put ETA times possibly for the shuttles, it's hard know when exactly they're coming or if they just left, it's always said that it's every 30 minutes but it isn't	ETA on shuttle on a electric sign or something	Electric sign and or on Peralta safety app		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 14:42:59	Offer more online classes during the transition to ensure that there are enough seats available to meet demand. Keep the Radiology and Nursing programs that Merritt offers.	Close down the Merritt Campus and sell that property to a university. Create plans for dormitory housing or townhomes on the Merritt land before selling to increase the price you will receive for the land. Invest in also having a Nursing program at Berkeley City College.	Using Canvas for online classes will be helpful	Laney is accessible whereas Merritt is not accessible. Keep Laney and sell Merritt.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 15:11:22	Peralta Community College District could strengthen its transformation into a three-college model by expanding programs that align with national accreditors like CAAHEP and CAHIM, especially in health administration and information management. Instead of focusing mainly on clinical or hands-on training, the district should add coursework and degree pathways centered on medical office management, health data systems, and administrative leadership. Developing programs that prepare students for industry certifications such as those from AAMA or ASE Education Foundation would also strengthen workforce readiness across disciplines. This shift would better align Peralta with institutions like City College of San Francisco, creating clearer academic pathways and improving transfer and employment outcomes.		It could build certificate or AA pathways that prepare students for certifications through AAMA or administrative-focused roles rather than only clinical training. Medical Office Management, Health Information Systems, Insurance & Billing Coding, Electronic Health Records (EHR) Navigation, and Healthcare Leadership.	Peralta Community College District currently offers strong mechanical and hands-on healthcare programs, but lacks a comparable focus on administrative and data-driven pathways. There is limited coursework in areas like medical office management, data analysis, health information systems, and general office operations that support both healthcare and broader business industries. These types of skills—data entry, reporting, systems coordination, and workflow management—are transferable across healthcare, corporate offices, and technical fields, yet are not fully developed in the current structure. Expanding these offerings would better integrate data, business, and administrative training, creating a more balanced system that reflects modern workforce demands.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 15:20:15	To maintain quality education in the curriculum, teaching staff, counselors, and to keep the tools necessary for it to be affordable.	curriculum updating and oversight, continued student services like the welcome center with dedicated people helping guide you and help, as they are doing now.	I feel combining what tools and platforms you have now and fine tuning it, will make a difference.	Will there be any elimination of programs or professors?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 15:49:50	keep the merritt campus				
	4/24/2026 15:51:43	In my time at the Peralta Community College district, I have met a lot of students from a lot of diverse areas. And a lot of these students their only accessible transit is Bart. I appreciate that PCC now has an express shuttle but I do not feel it as useful because usually when you have classes they tend to be on the same campus on the same day and on a different campus on another day. As students since we already pay a transit fee, it would be more useful to pay maybe a slightly higher transit fee for more accessible ways to get to and from school not only between campuses but from home as well.	I think the best and most important example would be for PCC to push for free bart and if free bart is not possible for most areas, it should be free bart across Alameda county.	It could follow a similar clipper card like UCB which has access the Clipper BayPass.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 16:06:41	Have most classes given at Merritt College	Retain classrooms, lab spaces, gymnasium, counseling, etc. at the Merritt campus			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 16:07:58	DO NOT MERGE COLLEGES. Extend childcare hours for evening and weekend students Use spaces more strategically. Be more creative with grant funding and leveraging fiscal MOUs with community orgs. Close the district office and then embed the district staff within the empty offices of both Laney and Merritt. Create housing out of the empty buildings of both campuses, utilizing grant funding to create housing and or collaborations with Probation/Parole who will fund beds. Students can use financial aid and/or use federal work study to pay for their room & board. We can attract more students with housing. Lease land to contractors to generate income. Create contracts with cbos for them to buy out CE course seats	Review other colleges who have added housing: 1)Orange Coast College (Costa Mesa): Opened "The Harbour" in 2020, offering 800 beds in apartment-style living. 2)Santa Rosa Junior College: Opened new dorms and apartments for over 350 students in fall 2023. 3)Napa Valley College: Recently added student dorms. 4)College of the Redwoods (Eureka): Offers on-campus residence halls. 5)Shasta College (Redding): Provides on-campus dormitory options. 6)Cerro Coso Community College: Features the South Gateway Student Apartments in Mammoth Lakes. 7)Feather River College: Offers on-campus residential housing. 8)Lake Tahoe Community College: Offers designated student housing. 9)Coalinga College (West Hills): Features on-campus living options. 10) Reedley College: Provides on-campus housing. Future/Planned Projects: Long Beach City College, Compton College, and Los Angeles Community College are currently adding housing. Review colleges who have creative income revenue: 1)Broward College (Florida): Leveraged prime real estate to generate unrestricted funds, including a 99-year lease with a developer at its Downtown Center that brings in \$2 million annually. 2)Rogue Community College (Oregon): Utilized its facilities master-planning process to identify excess or vacated land for sale or lease 3) Bates Technical College (Washington): Partners with the Aerospace Joint Apprenticeship Committee (AJAC) to provide machinist training, receiving a permanent tuition allocation for students that is matched by employers.	merging 2 small colleges into 1 medium college loses baseline funding and loses categorical funding.	Tier 1 - Top Priority	

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	4/24/2026 16:08:29	improved educational resources and programs			Is the new "Oakland City College" going to be at Merritt, Laney or a different location in Oakland?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 16:13:41	Don't cancel classes right before they start.	Almost every semester one of my or my friends' classes is canceled and we can't get another one.	If you put it in the schedule don't cancel it.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 16:49:35	i dont know	unkown	unkon	unkown	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 16:50:05	keep offering online classes. i work full time and have kids so i need to be able to do my homework in the evenings	more online sections please	idk		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 16:52:03	Better food	New Caterer	Check for high quality with the city.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 16:53:54	It can't. Laney is a shithole and Merritt feels like a REAL college with people who are taking education seriously. Laney Bookstore needs to be open for MORE Hours during the day and maybe should include evening and weekend hours.Cafeteria is DISMAL and as the food is prepared by students in the Culinary Program, this is absolutely unacceptable. In general, it doesn't feel first-rate, or that staff and Admin take it seriously. This is CRAP education for 2nd class citizens.	The classes that I have taken at Laney always include rude people, who talk during the professor's lecture: MY professor ASKED THEM TO LEAVE! This was in a Algebra II class that was a prerequisite for Health Science Majors during summer session! It was CRITICAL that people pass this class and many students were taking this class the second or third time. I was auditing the class, but the "students," are not even ready to be REAL STUDENTS, or have respect for people who are; still "teenagers," who think school is a big joke and that you "earn," respect by dissing the system, the classroom, and the instructor! (They argued with the professor when he asked them to leave). The campus feels dirty and worn-down.	Definitely need to clean up the campus: I took YOGA a few years ago and the room was dismal. It smelled; it needed paint; it needed new mats. As I said, it just feels that no one has made an effort; it's a crappy, inner-city community college.	Laney is a shithole. I enrolled in a nighttime Music Theory class way back in in the 1980's and I dropped this class because a RAPIST was working the campus, and had already raped several women in the Women's Bathrooms. You're think that they would have hired more security to help women feel safe, and stationed security outside the bathrooms, but, no, they didn't; instead they closed a lot of the campus Womens' Restrooms. No more Security was hired. You can be sure that I dropped that class too. Frankly—and I know you've heard this before—LANEY FEELS GHETTO, second-rate, an after-thought, unimportant.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 17:06:11	I don't like it	N/A	I don't know, because right now I feel very emotional about the transition; I feel like my history is being erased.	I like Merritt College by itself, and it erases the rich History Merritt has acquired, and changes it, and people have Financial Aid through Merritt College how are they going to handle and transition this because people's money is at this school. It reduces the Black Panther History where they originated at Merritt College. Merritt has offered me a lot of opportunities I would not have had like going to school for free, and to change it is disappointing. Thank You!	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/24/2026 17:07:19	It is good Idea to make them stronger and be united student can take the same class	1-economically be stronger. 2- For student registration will be easier 3-there will be more i integration of students and staff	more integration of staff and students is good for competition	My concern is that the more people go online, colleges will be short of students and at the will be empty, so there should be a system to connect both online and in-class	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 17:11:03	Eliminate the "competition" among colleges. Foster a "One Peralta" mentality. We're all in this together to make Peralta a wonderful place to learn and grow.	CIPD is a place for colleges to "compete" or "fight" for turf. We need to stop this and figure out a way for colleges to share and enhance common programs together – ie, not compete. It's about student access and success, not about securing FTES for for full-time faculty to teach their load or for departments to protect their part-time faculty. PT faculty will go anywhere in the district to fill their load. We are that close. Full time faculty should be able to do the same to fill their contract!	For Accreditation, dare I say it because I hate it, but Teams.. Use a Teams focused group to coordinate and provide a district-wide analysis and proposed "report" for all three colleges to use in their ISERS. There are several areas of finance and procedures that require district input. We all need to report the same.	The upcoming ISER for all colleges is of concern. We have about three semesters to move the needle in any way possible. Let's make it happen.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 17:17:52	From my perspective as a student, one of the biggest things Peralta Community College District could improve is making transfer and career pathways clearer and more reliable. A lot of students come here with the goal of transferring or getting into a career, but the path can feel confusing and inconsistent. I think the district should create stronger, guaranteed transfer agreements with CSU and UC schools so students know exactly what classes they need to take without second-guessing. It would also help if programs were better aligned across campuses, so students don't waste time taking classes that don't count toward their goals. Since we're in the Bay Area, I also think Peralta should build more partnerships with local employers—especially in healthcare, since that's a high-demand field. As someone interested in nursing, having clearer pathways from community college to a job would make a big difference.		Using assist.org as a primary tool.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 17:22:08	To post publicly the results/ of joint.[show beneficia...add subjects, new accreditation, etc.Do not forget the accessibility of info.	Post changes,adds in Majors,subjects,add other programs,etc.	Local	It will benefit minorities,It will add subjects,It will fix Laney College Dissability services??? Accessible infrastructure, etc.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 17:28:06	Coordinating systems into one will be an improvement.	Student records centrally maintained. Financial systems including refunds can be processed at one location. Coordination between instructors, class schedules, and oversight of student needs will result in higher level cohesive program.			
	4/24/2026 17:46:51	More funding for machine technology and welding departments	Due to decreased funding every year, these departments had to cut back on teaching a few classes as well as a lack of resources and material to expand skills			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 18:13:44	increase the number of students who can be enrolled in class	classes are getting booked in the first week and some students may not be able to enroll especially in major related courses.	sending students an email about the classes they need to enroll in along with the classes code, it will make it easier.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 18:31:01	I wish I knew.				

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	4/24/2026 18:43:18	I hope the process allows students to obtain degrees seamlessly, regardless of campus.	Currently, you are required to take a certain number of units at a specific college to receive it there. Hopefully, with this change, students can choose any class, regardless of campus.	I'm not sure if the current plan is to consolidate departments, for example, certain athletics and sciences at Merritt, while Laney focuses on Football and Humanities, etc.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 19:02:21	More space to open up more classes like nursing program	Due to space, it is hard to offer more programs	More education programs	when will this start	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 19:06:47	Being able to have one meeting eligible for accommodations across the colleges.	For example accommodations of getting mor test time. Currently we have to meet with counselors in each college to get accommodations. Sometimes this can be time consuming to do it for each campus we take classes in. Classes are not always available on one sole campus.	Through campus solutions, it should be on student profile, professors should want to know about their students and how to help them succeed in their educational journey.	Classes being cancelled when there is not enough students enrolled. It delays others success and is also not fair. There should be alternatives of some sort.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 19:27:38	Align and streamline the IGETC transfer requirements courses into one IGETC list instead of having multiple IGETC courses for different campuses within the Peralta Community College campuses - If possible. I understand, each campus has its own specialties.	IGETC transfer courses for UC and Cal system are different to Alameda City college. And I think its because its due to each campus offers different courses.	Maybe just align one IGETC requirement list that applicable with all campuses that's part of the Peralta Community College.	No concerns or questions at this moment.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 19:38:15	Have a nice swimming pool & gym.	The women's college (it used to be women's) in Oakland had a great pool.	Trainers could be available for helping build fitness.		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 20:14:41	I think Peralta should focus on making the transition as clear, practical, and student-centered as possible. I understand why the District may need to consolidate and shift downward into a three-college structure, especially given the broader pressures facing community colleges over the past decade or so, including things like enrollment changes/funding changes, and also just the need to reduce duplication. That said, I have not reviewed any of the District's financials, and so I am speaking from a student perspective and from my general understanding of the community college system. At the campus level, the biggest priority by far should be protecting student access and reducing confusion. Students need to know exactly what will change, what will not change, and how their programs, transcripts, financial aid, counseling, transfer plans, etc will be affected. And at the District level, Peralta should use this transition as an opportunity to simplify systems, improve communication, reduce administrative duplication, and create a more consistent student experience across the remaining colleges. I really think this transition should not feel like something that is happening "to" students. It should feel like something being built with students, faculty, and community stakeholders. I am genuinely grateful to see the District taking steps to invite outside perspectives and include the people who will be directly affected by this change.	Examples of some improvements could include a clear public transition timeline, a student-facing FAQ webpage, and simple program maps showing where each degree, certificate, and transfer pathway will live after the transition. I also think Peralta should take SEO and online discoverability seriously, because that is how many students are actually going to search for this information. I say this as someone who has worked with web design/programming for close to ten years, so I have seen firsthand how much discoverability matters. A lot of students are not going to dig through the District website, find a PDF, download it, and then know exactly how to use it. More realistically, students are going to Google Search questions like, "Is Laney merging with Merritt?" or "Will my Laney/Merritt degree still be valid?" Because of that, Peralta should build clear, searchable FAQ pages directly on the official Peralta websites, rather than relying only on PDFs, email announcements, or formal letters. That would help accurate information reach students at the moment they are looking for it, instead of expecting students to hunt for answers. Other helpful steps could include a public progress dashboard that keeps students updated while also continuing to improve Search Engine visibility, and also having online support zoom sessions where students can ask questions about their specific degree, certificate, or transfer path.	Peralta should definitely consider creating a centralized transition portal/public progress dashboard for students/faculty/staff/the public. This could be a single website/dashboard that includes the transition timeline, FAQs, program maps, decision updates, meeting notes, feedback forms, and contact information for each major area. For students specifically, I also think the District could create an online "degree impact checker," which would be very helpful. A student could enter their college, major, certificate, or transfer goal and receive a plain-language explanation of whether their pathway is affected, who to contact if it is, and what steps they should take next. I can imagine how many emails and phone calls this kind of tool could prevent by helping students find relevant information quickly and clearly.	My main concern is that students may experience the transition as confusing or disruptive if communication is not extremely clear. Many students are already balancing work, family, financial aid requirements, transfer deadlines, and academic planning. Even small administrative changes can create major stress if students do not know who to contact or whether their plan is still valid. I also think the District should be careful to preserve community identity. Merritt, Laney, Berkeley City College, and College of Alameda each have different histories, strengths, student populations, and relationships with their communities. Even if restructuring is financially or administratively necessary, the District should avoid making the process feel purely top-down or purely budget-driven. Kind Regards, William Waite	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 20:27:38	Offer better real time access to counseling and guidance.	We need more human interaction rather than reliance on AI solutions in the future.	Maybe figure out a way to use a Discord Server to allow immediate real-time comms with Counselors	I don't understand how this merger is supposed to function with 2 campuses that are miles apart.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 20:42:08	Highlighting distinctive educational features, such as a focus on vocational education and training, collaboration between schools and enterprises, and guaranteed employment upon graduation.	The integration of industry, academia, and research, for example, in the field of architecture, the school's curriculum consists of one year of professional courses and six months of joint internships with enterprises. In this way, students can start working immediately after leaving school, and enterprises will not lack talent.	To pursue vocational education and training, it is essential to: 1. Clearly understand the job responsibilities and requirements set by relevant departments; 2. Understand the relevant requirements of enterprises; and 3. Adjust the school's curriculum accordingly.	nothing	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/24/2026 20:52:13	make it easy for students to get into class and reach the resources	better online access , multiple campus with free parking if possible , more student jobs			Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 22:11:13	Have counseling also merge to be compatible with students attending the three colleges at the same time.	For example, a student attending both Berkeley City and Laney College is working to get a degree in Theatre Arts. Although the degree is offered at Laney, Berkeley City College Counselors cannot help this student get a degree petition. If this hurdle was out of the way, more students can use the counseling resources available to them without hesitation.	If the unification between Merritt and Laney go well, then I'd like to see a similar system in terms of counseling support between all the colleges.	Will Merritt College's campus still be available?	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/24/2026 22:20:50	Make a plan or strategy to work on	Defining the clear vision and the SMART goals method	Idea maps and the concept map	This process involves changing ideal and high-areas of thoughts	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/24/2026 22:44:40	<p>I think the Peralta Community College District can improve by really focusing on students first during this transition. At the campus level, it would help to make sure classes are easy to access, schedules work for people who have jobs, and support services like counseling are actually available and not hard to get. A lot of students are balancing work and school, so flexibility is really important.</p> <p>At the district level, communication needs to be clear and consistent so students always understand what's changing and how it affects them. It's also really important that programs the schools already offer don't get lost, reduced, or harder to complete during the merge. Students should still be able to finish their degrees or transfer plans without delays or confusion.</p> <p>Overall, everything should feel more organized and supportive, not more stressful.</p>	<p>Some examples would be offering more evening, weekend, and online classes for students who work full time. Also making sure required classes don't get canceled or filled too fast, so students can stay on track. For support services, having more counseling appointments, drop-in options, and faster responses would really help.</p> <p>At the district level, clear communication could look like regular updates by email or text that explain changes in simple terms, and having one easy-to-use website where students can find everything. Another example is making sure credits transfer smoothly between campuses and that programs stay consistent.</p> <p>For example, I took an Ethnic Studies class (Africana Studies 30 (AFRAM 30)) at Laney College, but then I was told at Merritt College that it didn't count and that I would need to take it again there. That was really frustrating and confusing. Classes within the same district should count across campuses, especially for transfer requirements. Fixing issues like this would help students save time, money, and stay on track.</p> <p>It would also help to have more class options and clearer guidance for requirements like Ethnic Studies so students know exactly what counts.</p>	<p>I think having one main student platform across the district would really help, where everything is in one place—class schedules, degree requirements, transfer progress, and counseling support. It should be easy to use and updated in real time so students aren't getting mixed information.</p> <p>Also, having a clear system that shows which classes count across campuses would help a lot, like a tool where you can check if a class from one campus will count at another before you take it.</p> <p>Another helpful structure would be better coordination between campuses, especially for counseling and program requirements, so students are getting the same information no matter where they go.</p>	<p>One concern I have is that the merge might make things more confusing instead of easier, especially when it comes to transfer requirements like the CSU GE Breadth and class credits. I've already experienced being told different things at different campuses, and that can slow students down.</p> <p>I'm wondering how the district will make sure all campuses are aligned so students don't have to repeat classes or get conflicting information.</p> <p>I would also like clarification on whether any campuses will be closed or reduced, and how resources and funding will be distributed if campuses are merging. I think that's important for students to understand when planning their education.</p> <p>Overall, I just hope the focus stays on making things clearer and more supportive for students, not more complicated.</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 2:27:17	<p>There is a spelling error here: Now is your change for your voice to be HEARD! Should be "CHANCE" right? There are positive and negative things on the Unification?</p>	<p>Firstly, why is Unification necessary? Is the current system failing? It would have been nice if you gave examples for these: programmatic, operational, accreditation, and communication components.</p> <p>Positives: Seamless, saves time, resources -will it? and students of all three districts are on the same page on the listed points and cuts out ambiguity Negatives: Retards creativity, healthy competition and if there is a mistake or a bad policy or system failure in a unified system by default it applies to all three districts automatically and correction takes a toll on all the students but opposite is true if the districts are separate.</p>	Do not understand your question	<p>As stated above .What is the purpose to the Unification? Save funds/Resources or purely for the interest of admin purposes and less in the interest of the students? If it is for the former reason you may want to think twice .</p>	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/25/2026 3:48:38	I think that Peralta Community College should improve more society on all College campus.				Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/25/2026 7:57:23	We need a transfer center and a career center.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 9:15:50	offer BAs				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 10:46:52	we need stores back unless going do like merritt . I like that has zero cost for books in some of the courses.	child development my text book was free	i don't know	so are getting ride of one of the campus or just a name change	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 12:24:25	Laney College campus needs to be more strict (or have ANY procedures at all) about what outside forces are allowed onto campus. has allowed political canvassers to aggressively and persistently hound students to sign multiple large political packets without letting them read for more than a few minutes. They use various tactics, most of which begin with statements that hide the fact that they are trying to get us to sign these packets. These people are getting paid to distract us from studying and even attending classes.	<p>Outside of the tactics mentioned above, there have been several places that have made it impossible to study or get any work done. Such as the cafeteria and library. I've had two people approach me two days in a row on the third level of the library.</p>	<p>These political canvassers should not be allowed to jump people when they arrive on campus, or enter private buildings such as the library or cafeteria. It is a nuisance. There needs to be standards for this. This isn't a relaxed view on this. It's non-existent. It needs to stop.</p>	<p>I have had several traumatic experiences similar to these repeated attempts like these canvassers and Christian religious groups. They make me paranoid. Right before spring break, I had to change the routes I used on campus just to avoid them. I almost believed I wouldn't be able to finish the semester. They never take no for an answer. I have trust issues with people who do this. I firmly believe they are grifters who do not value privacy or safety concerns.</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 13:55:51	I think they will do just great	Laney has great communication with the students and Nathan is on top of student's accommodations and Merrit does not.	none	no	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/25/2026 14:27:15	<p>Peralta can improve by making sure the core systems students rely on, such as class availability, scheduling, enrollment, and completion processes, work consistently across all colleges before adding new structural changes. Students should already be able to move between colleges and complete their programs smoothly, but in practice this is not always consistent. Strengthening these systems first will help ensure the transition does not create additional barriers for students.</p>	<p>Students sometimes cannot find the classes they need at the right time, or classes get canceled, which delays their progress. Course schedules are not always aligned across colleges, making it difficult for students to plan. Students taking classes at more than one college can experience confusion about requirements and processes. Course substitutions and petitions can take time or vary across colleges, which can delay completion. Course setup and enrollment processes are sometimes delayed, which affects both students and external partners. Programs that work with external partners such as K-12 schools or community organizations depend on clear and consistent timelines, which are not always in place.</p>	<p>A two-year course schedule would help students plan ahead and stay on track. While a two-year plan is developed through curriculum processes, it is not always consistently followed in scheduling, and courses may be rolled over term-to-term without aligning to student need. Greater alignment between curriculum planning and scheduling decisions would help ensure that required classes are actually offered when students need them. Scheduling should also be intentional about modality (in-person, online, hybrid) and term length (full term, 14-week, 10-week, 8-week) so it reflects how students are able to attend and complete. This should be responsive to different student groups, including dual enrollment students, full-time and part-time students, working adults, and online learners. Using data on enrollment patterns, course demand, and completion outcomes can help inform updates and improvements, rather than relying on duplicative rollover of past schedules. Systems that allow students to easily see and register for classes across all colleges in one place would improve access. Leveraging existing platforms like the California Virtual Campus (CVC) could also help expand access to online courses when local sections are full or not available, provided these options are clearly communicated and easily accessible to Peralta students through advising, registration systems, and outreach.</p>	<p>How will the district ensure that required classes are consistently available so students are not delayed? How will course schedules be coordinated across colleges so students can plan ahead? How will petition and substitution processes be consistent across colleges? How will the district avoid creating more confusion for students who take classes at more than one college? How will the district ensure that course scheduling, enrollment setup, and approval timelines are completed on time so students and partners are not impacted? How will student impact be tracked during the transition to make sure students are not delayed or dropping off? How will the district ensure that the data used for decisions reflects how programs actually operate across colleges and student groups? How will funding be allocated across colleges as enrollment is redistributed, and how will FTES and related metrics be updated to ensure resources align with student demand and program delivery? How will information about degree pathways, course availability, and cross-college options be clearly communicated to students?</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/25/2026 14:32:39	Peralta can improve by building in consistent faculty input during implementation, especially around scheduling, pathways, and student progression. Faculty see where students get delayed and can help align course offerings and requirements so students can move through programs without disruption.	Faculty can help identify when required courses are not offered in sequence, when schedules conflict across colleges, and when students are delayed due to petitions, substitutions, or unclear requirements. Faculty can also highlight differences between how programs are designed and how they actually operate in practice.	Regular, structured opportunities for faculty to review and give input on course scheduling, pathway alignment, and student progression data would be helpful. Clear communication channels between faculty, counseling, and scheduling teams would support more consistent implementation.	How will faculty input be incorporated in a consistent way during implementation? How will the district ensure that decisions reflect not only how programs currently operate, but also opportunities to improve how they are delivered to better support student access and completion? How will feedback from faculty about student delays or barriers be used to make timely adjustments and continuously improve systems during the transition?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 15:00:05	Peralta must prevent bureaucracy and various people trying to utilize college system to corrupt and spread crime around various parts of the bay area for personal benefit. Human trafficking is rampant and intellectual property / personal property theft is rampant.	Please read through 23-CV-04620, Various OSHA cases filed by me.	Transparent examination of flaws that encourage people to steal others property must be first priority.	The 4th floor quiet area in the Laney college library has a restroom door in mens rest room that doesn't have a good dampener causing it to slam. This defeats the purpose of quiet area. There are warnings all over the library requesting people to avoid leaving things. Preventing theft is a critical priority, please read through police report filed by me about security personnel in the premises taking away rear light and front lights from bicycle.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 15:24:19	By not merging at all. Student services, programs, and overall experience will be diluted by the merger because it reduces funding and access to resources that support student success outcomes.	Students from all PCCD colleges come from very vulnerable populations, these populations benefit from having a more intimate community college experience. These students do not need to demonstrate they are ready for college, but rather PCCD colleges need to be ready to serve them and meet them where they are at. These students benefit from having smaller class sizes and engaging in programs that are fully staffed and properly funded. This proposed merger will dilute funding for necessary programs that support retention and student success outcomes. Students from marginalized communities do not lack potential, they lack support.	Do not merge at all. Budget cuts can be made to the administration, without jeopardizing the quality of education or student experience. Without students administrators have no job. The merger should be seen as the worst case scenario or a last resort.	Do not merge at all. The merger should be seen as the worst case scenario or a last resort.	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/25/2026 16:05:31	I am against the idea for one college from two as employees will lost their jobs and it is not easy to open a new college. For my opinion, colleges should check instructors' methods of teaching. As I know, because students are under the pressure, they do not want to take classes in colleges in their future.	1. Because teachers of many online classes, give students many home works, with alot of work, but do not give students not so many points, students are usually under the pressure. 2. Very difficult to make appointments with the consulars for students in Merritt. 3. It was difficult to make appointments with deans and department Leadership. 4. It is not easy to see the work of student government. It is not clear who and how were elected there. 5. Not many interesting classes for modern fields. 6. Not SO many 100% online classes. It was not easy to take classes as classes were so popular. 7. Many instructors think that not so many students can have „A“ for different reasons.	Colleges should prepare more classes for students if they are popular. Classes should not have more than 15-20 students in a class. The colleges can produce Internet resources for classes, specially online. Colleges do not help students to public their articles in scientific journals and do not support students to be involve in scientific conferences, do not organize students conferences. The libraries do not have models of the classes textbooks, only old books.	The colleges should have more classes, more profesorski, more activities interesting for students.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 16:28:48	More Qualified staff and more Qualified security	More Teachers that care about their students and well-trained security	The school should have classes that kids can talk about their problems.	Paying for books when everything is so expensive now a days	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 16:48:02					Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/25/2026 17:04:56	You can start by proofreading your communications i.e. Now is your chance not now is your change.		You can demonstrate your commitment to excellence which you demand of your students in the district's attitude and function in your running of a transition as I pointed out in the mistake you made in your introductory statement about the survey opportunity.		Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/25/2026 17:05:49	Focusing on addressing internal challenges within Peralta, such as ongoing issues within student services, improving clarity on how resources are utilized, and ensuring fiscal budgets are spent effectively so students can truly benefit from the services they are supposed to receive. There should also be an emphasis on increased staff training and stronger collaboration across departments to better support students. Additionally, I believe it is important that we maintain our own student body governments and preserve our individual mascots.	Constant financial aid issues Staff and students do not understand the funding or formula for grants receive (EX: Higher Up) Lack of transparency with shared governance (Ex Shared agendas and meeting minutes) Not spending our budget directly attached to students and their success for the fiscal year ensuring that the history of Laney and Merritt isn't wipe away (Panthers or Eagles)	To support shared governance and ensure students are consistently involved, I would recommend implementing a few key tools and structures. First, establishing a centralized and publicly accessible platform, such as a district-wide website or portal, where all meeting agendas, minutes, and updates are regularly posted. This would promote transparency and allow students, staff, and faculty to stay informed and engaged. Second, creating a master district-wide event calendar using a shared platform like Google Calendar or Microsoft Outlook would help coordinate events across campuses, reduce scheduling conflicts, and better embrace the reality of students moving between colleges. In addition, implementing a more structured planning process, such as quarterly or semester-based timelines, would allow departments and student leadership to align their goals and plan ahead more effectively instead of reacting last minute. Lastly, I would introduce a formal process for turning concerns into action by creating a system where feedback from staff, faculty, and classified professionals can be developed into resolutions or formal proposals. This would ensure that concerns are not only heard but also documented, reviewed, and acted on in a meaningful way. Overall, the goal is to build systems that promote transparency, coordination, and accountability while keeping students at the center of decision making.	Knowing the history of Merritt College, and in light of the legacy of John Beam, I believe it is important to highlight why our mascots and logos matter. They are a way for us to preserve and carry forward the history and identity of our campuses. I understand the reasoning behind combining resources from a financial standpoint, and I also believe that OCCD is a strong name for us to be under. However, I do believe that we should still be able to maintain our individual identities in that way. Additionally, our student body governments should remain separate, as both campuses face different challenges and represent distinct communities with their own needs and experiences.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 19:08:43	Provide a phone number for students to call directly and ask for help (transportation, transitioning between 2 campuses, resources)		Improved Peralta Portal, maybe notifications to students (reminders of which campus, building their classes are located and their class time)		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 19:30:12	Regulate AI policies and invasion of student privacy.	AI is a research tool with data collecting capabilities @ student privacy w/o permission.	Contact Electronic Frontier in San Francisco for assistance @ Peralta CC.	AI is a big student concern.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 20:35:30	Make some classes that can be noncredit.	Music combos, jazz ensembles, big bands, and pop ensembles.	Canva	Is there a way that music performance activity classes can be noncredit where any student can take unlimited times?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 22:25:44	First, finishing the project on 7th St would be beneficial. As well as not having loud construction during class hours. This has been highly disruptive to the learning environment. Free parking permits for students, as the lot has been over-taken by non-students and faculty. I recommend centralizing all student services in one location: financial aid, BNC, admissions and records, and all outlets for tutoring, etc. It would be nice to also have more handicap parking. Make more quiet and study rooms available. Also, ban more than 2-3 for major changes so 'students' still qualify for EOPS. I'm sure if you look into those receiving services, these 'students' are here for the perks of EOPS and not actually serious about their studies. Potentially look into adding more engineering courses as compared to Chabot/Las Positas, which offer more, as well as find another instructor who can have more flexibility in their schedule ex: Engin 45 is offered at a really inconvenient time for those with children. ALSO PLEASE HAVE SPRING BREAKS AND ANY OTHER BREAKS FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME BE IN SYNCHRONIZATION WITH SURROUNDING SCHOOL DISTRICTS, TO ACCOMMODATE THOSE WHO HAVE CHILDREN. IT WAS VERY HARD NOT TO HAVE MY SPRING BREAK LINE UP WITH MY CHILDREN'S.	I don't know how else to list examples I already listed above.	There seems to be a good amount of disorganization.	See the above answers and suggestions. The campus also has to be more transparent.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/25/2026 23:58:20	Build community.	Create an ASG tile or include links to ASG & clubs in the orientation tile in Canvas. Host district level ASG events for students like the intramural basketball tournament last school year and online events (because the world has changed and we need to adapt to be a hybrid community both IRL & online. Build out student social media for the campuses & district.	A tile on canvas & all the various social media. Utilized both the new & old-er tech 50% of those eligible to vote are 18-24 yrs (25%) & retired (25% with time & \$\$) we need the newest social media AND maintain the old-er social media to keep in touch with the retirees.	3 siblings, 1 parent, same family. We need the equivalent of "Sunday dinner at Mom's" type events where the whole family is together to celebrate each other.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 0:32:09	By not making unnecessary major changes.	Not merging colleges.			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 5:27:44	They can structure their Curriculum to be more reasonable, academically, for students.	Have more reasonable accommodations office hours. Sometimes office hours conflict with other classes a student may have. Make assignments more private when completing them. All students are not comfortable posting their assignments on line for their peers to read and analyze.			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 10:45:49	it shouldn't be each campus should have its own campus	more traffic and more stress trying to register for classes	why are yall combining laney and merritt in the first place	leave each campus as its own	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 11:05:15	1. Diversity in socioeconomic background as well as ethnicity in the student population. 2. Increase internships for students to directly join workforce!				Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/26/2026 11:39:45	Improve accessibility to transgender, intersex, non-binary, and genderqueer people.	Degender restrooms. Never force people to choose just one gender label, like you have in past surveys.			
	4/26/2026 11:42:21				I think merging Laney and Merritt is essential given that students with plans to transfer (which is a lot of our student body), often need to take courses at the same institution for them to articulate properly. This can make the transfer process more simplified and give students broader choice of class times/professors that more align with their schedule and academic goals.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 15:19:16	By ensuring the timely disbursement of financial aid to all students and facilitating a seamless transition that enables prompt resolution of any emerging concerns.	I have been awaiting a response to my financial aid inquiries for several weeks.	I propose implementing a system for prompt responses to emails and inquiries, potentially including a live online service to facilitate addressing issues and concerns.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 16:05:10	Make sure taxpayer money actually reaches underfunded campuses like Laney so that it feels more connected and cared for like Merritt College campus. Laney should be made to look and feel like the main campus hub out of the 3 since it is the most central to Oakland and accessible too.		Ensure funds are being properly allocated, stop corruption.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 16:26:59	Streamline the processes so that Merritt and Laney have provide similar online student experiences.	For example, as a student using SAS services the booking tool online for Merritt is not an option-you have to call or send an email message. The same request for library services-I have not used Laney online library but have noticed a difference in functionality and user ease between Library sites on each the BCC and College of Alameda pages.	Suggesting the focus start on the structure plan before a tool or platform is chosen. In IT there is a planning process that asks what are you trying to achieve, who are the users, what is the workflow, and finally, what are the needs vs the wants in the design/budget/project.	Know first why (outcome) these entities are transforming/merging. Figure out the internal working parts to the project before promises are made to the customers (students, staff, faculty). Build this in phases to inform well to make sure each step make sense based on lessons learned & feedback. It's a big project but doable with the right team and process.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 16:39:25	I'm taking a class at Merritt--why I got the survey, presumably--but my fulltime job is Peralta faculty, so my specific replies wouldn't be representative. That said, I feel that this survey is written in a way unlikely to yield helpful replies from students. "[P]rogrammatic, operational, accreditation, and communication components" is a phrase pitched toward experienced educators, not the general student body. Questions need to be concrete, with a set of particular options, for them to be intelligible to students (e.g., How do you choose where to take your classes? a) parking availability; b) proximity to public trans; c) majors I'm interested in; d) time of day, etc.).	See above.	This is another vague question that students would have little context for replying to usefully. Are we talking about a ratchet set, Instagram, and a mall clothing shop?	Let's try another survey, one better attuned to the language and practical needs of students.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 16:41:28					
	4/26/2026 18:51:14	Expand: Learning center - basic needs BCC dept - Gym for Berkely city college	<p>Basic needs center - Needs room to lay out storage for pantry, Have a dedicated space for food market/dispensary. Expanding office spaces will allow dedicated Peralta resources to be laid out in a single area, making resource accessibility easily functional.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Adds storage for foods and urgent necessities for impacted/low income students -Resources all in one space to for students to access and open direct pathways to services available -Grants opening for Community services/Non-profits to invest (Increases partnered collaborations and generates income for BCC) <p>Learning center - Department should expand space in order to enable office space for student workers- increase the compacity for tutors and students in area - allows creative collaborative spaces for students to tackle projects instructed by classes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Advances Student workers/tutors opportunities in public education experience -Space allows students clubs/Student government (ASBCC) to have space for planning and collaborations -Potential for Students to give higher ratings for (BCC) opens potential to for generate higher income for the college "colleges existing popularity is currently the high advantage use it" <p>Berkely city college GYM - students need a dedicated gym for Berkely rather than having to travel to other colleges in the district for gym access. fitness center available can reduce costs for students who value physical health and increase academic productivity.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Can open opportunities for students workers for Health internships or campus work -Reduces costs on student travel -grants the opening for athletic investments (increases BCC income from health and athletic corporations) 	assign/develop modeled spaces for all 3 depts -	<p>As a active student who has connected to staff and students .</p> <p>There has been complaints/criticisms about the expansion and renovations to the colleges. Students and staff have critically expressed building investments/spent income is not helping students at all in our current economic crisis.</p> <p>BCC admins should prioritize/build on existing students services. Even though the recommendations above are expansions 2 specific departments and development of a new fitness center, It can develop new networks and accelerate income rather than depleting our current assets (Colleges total Funds).</p> <p>Would love to work up more ideas for Peralta Colleges and BCC - Leon Saelee</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 18:59:03	Provide enough counselors and resources to help elevate in the area of majoring	Provide free programs to use during the school year for the classes being taken. Upgrade computers and provide further webinars to educate all parties.	Bluebeam, Revit, Primavera, Procure, Autodesk, Microsoft Project	Concerns that these options will not be free. We need to push to provide a license or somehow free access to these programs for each student to have access and be able to produce in their line of work.	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/26/2026 19:16:18	make sure every student with an issue that arises with this merger gets heard! Merritt College is amazing with the small class sizes, I don't think I would have learned as much as I did in a classroom with a larger volume	offer medical and science based classes at both colleges. also offer culinary classes at both colleges, both have facilities for food education and prep, both have a restrunt and hungry students.	Reach out to the teachers first! Their only concern is students and they know whats needed and how it will effect each student.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 20:08:13	Keep the Cte courses you have at laney.	The Culinary degrees/programs/certificate, along with the same things regarding cosmetology, and other job facing classes.		Losing programs like the culinary and cosmetology programs at Laney and in the Peralta community college system.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 20:31:07	I feel like everything is good the way it should be that I know about and yall are doing amazing.	N/A	N/A	None	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 20:44:27	I am not sure it is possible	Not applicable	Canvas and campus solutions are great as they are	I am concerned that the special streghths of these campuses will be lost. Culinary at one, and gardening at the other. I think it is vital for that to remain unchanged. I think BCC and COA will fall next if that is lost.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 21:25:37	Why are you changing nobody has got back with us with answers	N/A	Why are you changing Merritt College and Laney College into Oakland City College?	I disagree because all the students will have no time to adjust to something different, or have to adjust to something different.	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/26/2026 21:39:30	Make the academic plans universal between the campuses, meaning offering the same type of classes and each campus.	Being able to take a math class at one campus one semester, then take the next level math and a different campus the next semester without worrying about not having the same curriculum.	I think having the same/similar curriculum for a subject in each campus.	Will either Laney or Merritt campus become unusable, or will there still be two campuses. If there are two, can we ensure that we will be able to have our classes at one campus and not have to travel between two.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 21:42:12	College level: focus on good counseling, instruction, student services, scheduling, and campus culture and safety environment.	Real-time dashboards for enrollment, retention, and equity outcomes and invest in programs for first-generation, low-income, and underrepresented students	Combining a design canvas with real-time data and electronic billboards creates a powerful system for delivering timely, location-based information, but its success will depend on how well the data is filtered, prioritized, and kept reliable in real time.	How and when are the Nursing and Radiologic Technology (RT) programs planning to expand clinical site opportunities for students, particularly in light of the transition to join both colleges and the combining of funds and resources?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 21:53:41	More frequent shuttle between these two campuses. Move more courses to Laney campus which is more accessible by public transportation.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/26/2026 22:51:15	While in the processing of transforming students at American college have to over plan because they have no bookstore and the only bookstore they can go to is Laney. So it all depends on how they're going to combined the two colleges. Will they be moving one college altogether? What would that look like? With leaning tower coming down and the limited amount of space currently at Laney what happens to the different programs and services that are offered? What happens to our current counselors and coordinators of programs like Puente or Umoja. They're currently downsizing Umoja as we speak at Laney College what happens to the staff? I know there are more buildings in progress like the new library. But I have not heard anything about a new tower. If there were to be a new tower built once demolishing the old one I believe making the Merritt campus the healthcare center Where people get their nursing degree their EMS license Radiology ultrasound technicians Should be in one centralized place keeping core classes				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 8:18:14	It would be better to put your resources into improvements to the existing colleges. Cafeterias that serve more than chicken tenders, lounge spaces, more faculty, more class offerings...	See above	Stop trying to model systems (city college) that are failing. Sf city college is canceling programs all the time, there's a lack of faculty, etc. just invest in what we already have, there's no need to waste money on a change that's essentially just cosmetic.	This is a collasal waste of money to fix a problem that doesn't exist. Please just invest in our existing schools, let their names stay. Applying from something called "Merritt College" or "Peralta College" looks way better on a resume than something called "City College" as someone who worked not only in college admissions, but also as an employee at a temp staffing agency trying to place people in jobs. The cafeteria at Merritt is a joke, the lounge spaces are small and uncomfortable.. Give the libraries more money, hire more faculty, invest in more academic programs. This is a huge waste of time and money to improve basically nothing.	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/27/2026 9:11:12				While the combination of the two schools will be transforming to Oakland City College, to keep some historic pride, it would be great if the locations could still be differentiated, say OCC - Laney campus or OCC - Merritt campus. My father, who had attended and was employed at Laney at one time, had mentioned how strange it was for Laney to go back to OCC as the name changed happened around his time. It would be great to keep the school's legacy and founder's name somewhere. If this was already planned, then I apologize as I didn't sense this from communication.	Tier 3 - Third Priority

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	4/27/2026 9:24:49	More in-person classes, better food (and better value) in the cafeteria (I've also heard that the cafeteria staff isn't warm and friendly). Why doesn't Laney's CULIN baking program sell their bags of cookies up here? - at least 2 or 3 days per week Bring some more life onto the campuses with ample time leading to events so we're not hearing about events at the last minute Update some of the decor at Merritt, especially in the R bldg. (eg. photos in the hallway) Things look/feel outdated	How are most communication and psychology classes online?? Use this beautiful location for something like a farmers market twice a month. LANHT could have a booth, faculty and staff who create things could possible be vendors, along with food Show films and have discussions - maybe on weekends.	The Office of Instruction and the instructors for classes. Marketing/Outreach team could help to create a farmers market	Will anything get done to energize this space in the next two semesters?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 9:35:42	By making sure EVERY college has what students need to graduate going to just one campus.	By reading the IGETC and seeing what classes are needed making sure to have each class students need at one campus.	By looking at students and what they need to transfer to upper division schools	Some students like history students have to take classes outside of Peralta to get the classes needed to transfer to a UC school.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 9:41:08	Have employees that actually answer calls or assist students A & R. Try calling from an outside line or email address there is no answer or response.	There is no answer or response when attempting to get assistance from A & R from outside line or email address ever over the past 5 years.		How can you have a community college that is none responsive to students or assist in time sensitive matters? Misuse of Tax dollars. No students no employees	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 9:50:22	Make student services easy to navigate for students no matter what college they are taking a class at.	Create uniform systems for student facing procedures	Not sure		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 10:31:13	At a Campus and District Level, I think Peralta Community College can improve by shaping the three-College District into distinct parts that function as a collective. That is, possibly polarizing and sectoring such things as course offerings, majors/interests, operational functions as well as clearly identifiable resources available exclusively at one of the three colleges.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 11:10:53	Not sure. As a student I was blindsided by this change and have no real idea why its happening.	As a student I do not have any information as to why this name change happened.	As a student we are required to take and aptitude test on the ins and outs of Canvas - I do believe the instructors should also freshen up on Canvas and should be experts. Overall better support for Canvas users - it needs work!	Be more transparent to the students - me and my classmates were blindsided by the re-name / merger or whatever the action is called.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 12:02:24	Bus Schedules via email, posted on all campuses.		An app		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/27/2026 12:25:10	Campus-Level Improvements such as Program Alignment & Access-develop student access by launching an Evening & Weekend College model-develop fully online associate degree pathways (completed by Fall 2027) to meet modern student demands. Student Success Services- Increase matriculation support, especially for dual enrollment and adult education students. Infrastructure- Utilize Measure G bond funds to modernize facilities, ensuring they are tech-ready and accessible. District-Level Improvements- Establish a unified, equity-centered district structure that coordinates distance education and enrollment management across all sites. Communication & Trust- Foster an environment of open communication between district office and campus stakeholders (faculty, staff, and students), and a clear actionable transition plan for moving from a four-year college to a three-year college district, specifically addressing accreditation and operational logistics to ensure no student is left behind. Accreditation Standards- Maintain the momentum from recent full accreditation reaffirmations by institutionalizing collaborative district-wide practices.	One example is: Standardizing the enrollment process so a student at one campus can seamlessly take a required course at another without navigating different administrative hurdles.	A platform to where communication and actual information is communicated truthfully and often by representatives in a manner that all incoming and already enrolled students can receive and understand, better help is needed.	The only concern I have is that older students such as myself, can receive communication on-time and better as for going on Canvas to know what's going on. Most times, I've received late messages and don't have enough time to respond or attend a meeting or turn-in work (example). I've received different information from counselors about the same subject and it harmed me more so, and not helped me.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 13:09:28	Communication	Communicate with students often	No student left behind	Do let's students fail. The older students are struggling with academia	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 13:36:12	Stop putting immigrant students before US born students	You people cater to immigrant students and don't provide enough programs and help for US students you let them commit financial fraud and that's not ok I witness it time after time and our resources are ran out before we get any time after time and I'm going to stop that Peralta needs to be investigated.	audit the classes people are enrolling in just to collect financial aid and also turnitin for false flagging	my concern is people taking Chinese language classes and already speak it or enrolling in gym classes or culinary to collect checks and grants that should be going to real students pursuing their education	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 13:54:35	Ask the staff how they need support (before deciding for them) esp in the finance area! Make budgets available for loading August 1 prior to the semester Fall start. Custodial/Grounds need more staff to keep buildings and operational maintenance on track.	Staffing is critical for all service areas. Hire more support staff, and the problems (broken doors in the bathrooms,)maintenance issues will be reduced Food services that have a student approval rating of price and available options especially in the evenings. HR hot line with answers with in 24 hours Benefits Hot line with answers in 24 hours or less. AP receiving tracking in real time. People soft tracking of payments in real time.	open participation w HR and the Unions	Yes Huge concern. There is a shortfall in the required knowledge for the operations of the technical aspects of various programs) causing repairs and excessive use of energy lights/hvac, etc A clear delineation of duties for staff, and managers, and Department chairs, updated with live time expectations of assignments, reporting and follow up.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 14:31:28	It would help to educate the counselors on what is available at all campus locations.	In my experience, the counselors are more familiar with programs at their individual campus opposed to being able to suggest a specific program or offering that is suitable for the individual's need that may be housed on another campus.	Continuing to have open forums such as this, opportunities for students to make suggestions as to what would help a student succeed. Also, provide more training and perhaps monthly or bi-weekly news letters for counselors to remain updated on Peralta's offerings.	I really like that Merritt is its own campus, and I'm sad to see it becoming "Oakland City College". Merritt has historical roots in Oakland, and I'm afraid that too many transitions could result in some of it's rich history being lost.	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/27/2026 14:34:41	Communicate a plan for transitioning ALL programs and services at least one full year before fall 2027. Which programs will be required to consolidate? What type of consolidation, elimination, and/or reorganization of roles?	Tutoring: Tutoring is a critical student success service in BOTH locations; how will Laney's and Merritt's tutoring services be expected to consolidate? What roles will faculty/staff have in leading tutoring services at both locations?	A true online tutoring program that utilizes student tutors. While NetTutor is used, a fair number of Peralta students do not engage with it because their tutors are not familiar with the specific course content and have no connection to the faculty. Student tutors reach out to faculty to gain a better understanding of their assignments so that they can better assist students.	When will a detailed transition plan be communicated to faculty and staff? We need a timeline of specific tasks.	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	4/27/2026 14:35:27	if you're going to combine two community colleges, might as well start over and build new buildings.	Build new buildings like the barbara lee building, with up to date technology.		where is the campus going to be?	
	4/27/2026 14:40:51	focus on operational excellence	one area might be: modernizing website/IT backend	Kaizen philosophy- continual improvement		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/27/2026 15:08:34	Bring back free BART for students!	UC Berkeley students have access to free BART through their EasyPass. I know that BCC used to do it as well.	EasyPass!	Myself and so many of my friends and peers rely on BART to get to Oakland for classes because it's quick, but it costs way too much to remain sustainable. I am a low-income, independent student and I cannot continue paying \$20/week to go to other campuses. It adds up! I am so grateful for the ACTransit EasyPass and I am a fierce user of public transit, as are many of my peers. Unfortunately, the fact is buses are not as reliable as BART and the trip to Laney takes over an hour on the bus versus half an hour on the train. I really hope combining Laney and Merritt makes commuter students a priority!	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 16:08:37	Have more online courses available. Make sure there are contracts implemented for Practicum students that do not live in Oakland or the surrounding cities. Have resources for transportation i.e...	bus tickets, free shuttles to Merritt campus, and bart tickets, more accessibility	Ramps, elevators, bigger food pantry room(possibly the old library at Merritt	Will there be an automotive class?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 16:21:16	The business office and other offices should be open during normal business hours, including lunch. This is the best practice if you are most interested in the students.	I attempted to take care of business at Merritt when I could get to the campus. Unfortunately, it was their lunch hour and on Fridays. Apparently, their lunch hour and days off mirror mine.	Having staff available in person.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 16:34:37	Better advertising for when classes open, what classes will be available etc				Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/27/2026 18:07:27	Updating some of the facilities. The student center at Merritt and library need some help.	The library needs in investment in New furniture	Money		Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/27/2026 18:25:33	Peralta Community College can improve at both the campus and district level by focusing more on students and making information easier to access, especially during the transition into a three-college district. A big improvement would be having staff and administrators who actually prioritize students and communicate clearly instead of leaving students confused about requirements, deadlines, or resources. The district could also improve by making advising, financial aid help, and class information more organized and consistent across all three colleges. This would help students feel more supported and not lost in the system. Overall, better communication and stronger student support would make the transition smoother and more successful.	Peralta Community College could improve by fixing basic communication and student support issues across the district. For example, I was able to get work study and even got an interview, but no one ever followed up with my hours or next steps, so I was left constantly reaching out for answers. Another issue is veteran benefits certification, which has been inconsistent and incomplete, causing delays and stress for students trying to stay enrolled and pay for school. Better staffing, faster responses, and a clear system for tracking student requests would help a lot so students aren't stuck waiting or having to constantly advocate for themselves like i had to	A few tools and systems could really help fix these kinds of problems. For communication, Peralta could use a single district-wide student portal (like a centralized dashboard) where students can track work study hours, interview status, financial aid updates, and veteran certification progress in real time. This would prevent students from being left in the dark or having to constantly follow up. They could also use a ticketing system (like a help desk app) where every student request is logged, assigned to a staff member, and tracked until it's completed. That way, nothing gets lost or ignored. On a structure level, having a dedicated student support coordinator for programs like work-study and veteran benefits at each campus would help make sure students actually get responses. Clear timelines for responses (like 48-72 hours) would also hold offices accountable and reduce delays.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 18:29:16	More student focus. More information and making the websites easier to navigate. Having staff and faculty a bit more easily available. More funds for the Queer Community Center, Basic needs Center and other campus orgs that are there to help students thrive. Cheaper and healthier options for food.	Fund more money into programs that directly help students. Redesign the websites. Look into healthier and cheaper options for students to buy. No alot of veg, vegan and kosher options. Many students do not eat pork for religious reasons.	Not sure	I think that administration has done a terrible job when dealing student concerns, needs, and wants. After the shooting of our beloved coach we feel unseen unheard and not cared about. EVERY student on the campus puts money in your pockets one way or another. Perhaps it is time to start putting more thought into what that looks like.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 18:43:49	Simplified enrollment and class registration.	The system could be streamlined. The re-enrollment process, if necessary should be simplified. Finding and registering for classes can be on ordeal. Microsoft Teams doesn't seem to work for a student collaboration effort.	improved access to a registration process that links all three schools.		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 20:27:26	theres more important things to do with money	employees and teachers			Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/27/2026 21:19:52	Stay in a 4-college district	Do not merge Laney and Merritt	have the district office closed and move offices to Merritt to keep funds for both campuses.	Merritt campus is safe, combining campuses would force some students to Laney that do not want to be in that area.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/27/2026 21:27:16	Leave Laney and Merritt alone				Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/27/2026 23:07:21					Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/28/2026 7:59:10	This question is out of context. You don't explain the why behind this decision to transform from four into three colleges.			What guardrails are in place to ensure the board does not overstep its governance into daily operations?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 9:38:11	add engineering classes to the merritt size of campus for it is closer to me.	have some engineering classes at merritt			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 10:01:28	Tutor all subjects in the learning center and hire more tutors.	Statistics tutor, astronomy tutor etc	Student work	The learning center is a Very big help.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 10:41:22	Make it so you can take classes in all campuses that count toward your degree.	To graduate I had to take AFRAM 30 at Merritt. Even though it was on line.		Have more online classes. Some are mandatory and only a couple are available online. They fill up too quickly.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 10:51:04	Integrating the websites into 1	Have a main website that links to the other schools websites.			Tier 3 - Third Priority

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	4/28/2026 10:52:12	more math classes	more lecture math classes, and algebra 1			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 11:01:48	Don't Merge	Don't Merge	Don't Merge	Don't Merge, I am very happy with the classes I have now and it would be a hardship to lose all the work I have already accomplished at Merritt College.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 11:03:29	Don't Merge	Don't Merge	Don't Merge	Don't Merge, I have been having great success with my classes and I don't want the college to much.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 12:26:32	To successfully transform into a strong three-college district, Peralta must balance central coordination with campus autonomy, ensure equity in resources, and prioritize student success outcomes like transfer, completion, and employment. The biggest improvement will come from treating the district not as separate colleges, but as one connected ecosystem serving different student needs	Stronger District--Campus Communication Examples: * A monthly district-wide livestream meeting where students and staff can hear updates from all four colleges and ask questions in real time. * A shared "Peralta Dashboard" website showing budget use, enrollment trends, and construction updates in simple visuals. * Clear rule like. "Curriculum decisions are made at the campus level, but budgeting priorities are approved transparently at the district level."	Unified Student Platform (Core Digital Tool) Tool / Platform A single integrated system like: * Banner by Ellucian (common in community colleges) * PeopleSoft Campus Solutions * Or a modern student "super-portal" built on tools like Salesforce Education Cloud	N/A	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 14:07:02	Please work out a better system for the administration to communicate directly with students when classes are cancelled (not offered after being listed for that semester) due to low enrollment. Currently, faculty of the cancelled classes are responsible to communicate these class cancellations directly to students. But I feel the administration should take on this communication. Departments should be proactive about communicating with students about acceptable course substitutions when courses required for a certificate or degree are not being offered at least once a year. As more classes are being cancelled its becoming more of a challenge to complete degrees and certificates in a timely manner. If certificate or degree programs are being discontinued, the administration should take an active role in ensuring students currently in this programs have the opportunity to finish. Please maintain the scope and breadth of course offerings, it seems that fewer courses are being offered each semester and classes that have successfully filled in the past are no longer being offered.	Improve communication between administration, faculty, and students about which classes are being offered and which are being cancelled. Be more proactive about setting up alternative course substitutions in advance when required classes aren't being offered	keep parking free on both campuses. provide a free shuttle between campuses. continue offering academic counseling on both campuses, be sure to keep on campus resources--cafe, gym, library, academic offices open on both campuses. Make it easier for students to talk directly to staff in offices, either in person or on the phone. Some office staff don't answer their phones and require complicated login and making an online appointment. Please keep staff and administration available to meet with students on both campuses. I got a lot of help from Marlo Beall my academic advisor, I wouldn't have been able to navigate completing my program without. I worked for a college that had two campuses in two cities--they had the idea that they could cut the administration in half but this just led to students not being able to easily access services and services being overly impacted. It also meant that students couldn't always access the good activities offered on campus such as lectures and events because they're class schedule didn't allow them time to travel between both campuses. So if you're having two campuses both need to vibrant with programming and resources.	Merritt's campus has amazing history and resources. Let's be sure to keep our Panther history and pride front and center! Additionally, the Merritt campus has some unique aspects that are special for NHS, biology, and horticulture students. These include the Environmental Center and its garden, the new land hort building, green houses and garden, and the campuses proximity to Leona Canyon park. I've had many classes where Leona Canyon and the EC garden where used for learning. Please be mindful of keeping students connected to these resources while figuring out how to merge Merritt and Laney. I'm concerned that some classes being offered remotely would actually benefit from being in person so students could use the campus garden and Leona Canyon as resources. Not every class is going to work out as well remotely or without these special outdoor resources.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 14:49:19	This seems too rushed. I don't think proper planning has taken place. I know that more discussions need to occur--especially with the faculty and staff who actually do the work. I don't think administrators really have a clue how this is going to impact not only students, but faculty and staff. Improvement could happen if they slow down and actually learn from the folks with their "boots on the ground." What is Student Services going to look like? How about the Libraries? The Learning Center? Departments? Divisions? Exactly what will Merritt look like as a Center? What will be there? What will go elsewhere? What is the District doing to help merge all of these units? My guess is very little or nothing. Focusing on the dollars seems to be priority, but in the long run, it's the people who really matter.	See above	See above	See above	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 16:00:50	Offer more in person classes!!!	some art classes are only offered online which is very uninspiring.	im not sure		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 16:28:59	Merge all together, the Oakland fealty, and population, safety.	Like the Presidential campaigns, of the United States of America.	Open Book AI references, app, for all books to be published in a program, able for all students to look through, and download.	Bless you all, succeed in this concept of a traditional Oakland college of the city.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 17:14:29	- Free shuttles between campuses - more spots available in the ADN nursing program				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 17:54:38	I personally feel that the campuses shouldn't merge there's so much History at Merritt not only that there will be a decrease in funding which will impact the school system.	Less funding for students, teachers and staff.			Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 18:09:46	keep the parking lots, i need to drive now that AC transit has done away with many of the routes	having no parking at Berkeley city, prevents me from taking classes there	talk to AC transit about doing a joint study to re-establish some of the routes		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/28/2026 18:43:02	appropriate funding for staff. too often do i go to the central building and find it empty when i need help at Laney collage	Too often do i go to the central building and find it empty when i need help at Laney collage			Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/28/2026 18:53:17	More available classes	Some of the majors have less offerings. Could add more options for majors.	No Idea		Tier 3 - Third Priority

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	4/28/2026 23:59:53	Make the Merritt campus more accessible (it's the nicest one) Renovate the Merritt library to add more windows and more study seating More partnerships with research institutions to secure STEM and Medical research lab positions for students. Less investment in Laney sports programs – what a waste of funding. No one is going to start a professional sports career from these, except for maybe 1 athlete per year? These city colleges need to be career oriented. BCC doesn't even have sports teams, yet boasts one of the highest transfer rates to UC Berkeley.	Please make a direct shuttle from BCC to Merritt. For Berkeley residents, the current shuttle system simply doesn't make sense to commute to Laney, then wait for 30 minutes, then ride to Merritt	More frequent and direct shuttles	Unfortunately Laney is too run down to be inspiring and the campus culture is too urban. BCC is too indoors (feels like a giant casino) without enough nature and natural light. Alameda is in the middle of nowhere. Merritt is the crown jewel that should be invested in.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/29/2026 0:49:41	To begin, I want to emphasize that the college feels emptier than the Sahara Desert; the structures are more underutilized than an abandoned house; and finally, the most unpleasant aspect of all is the so-called "assistance."		Something along the lines of a more social-oriented Canvas platform—or perhaps a version with a menu interface modeled after social media apps, complete with a dark mode for nighttime use—would be a great start, since right now I feel completely lost.		Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/29/2026 2:41:22	WHEN IS THIS TO TAKE PLACE? NOBODY HAS TOLD NOTHING ABOUT WHEN THIS IS SPOSE TO OCCUR.	N/A			Tier 3 - Third Priority
	4/29/2026 9:53:31	Increasing the resources at EOPS Basic Needs Center, More food resources	More meal tickets More Backpacks More events for students to learn about the resources available on campus	Broadcasting on Instagram Word of Mouth Flyers	I am apart of Umoja- UBAKA and I am worried about our safe space	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/29/2026 10:36:53					
	4/29/2026 11:01:15	provide housing for its students	I believe San Mateo City and San Jose City College provides housing	money	why are we still the last to get any help	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/29/2026 11:58:04	More communication with departments	Answer more phone call	Zoom and live chats		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/29/2026 17:32:32	They can improve by concentration distance education, demonstrating an evening/weekend college course, and merging double registration.	An example is applying a higher-flexible prompt "weekend college" model that connects with the double registration.	The most effective tool, platform, or structure may contribute to a solution is the "Agentic AI Platform Engineering and Unified Data Ecosystems.	The concerns, questions, and thoughts is that it is created as a "prune to grow" method planned to protect long-term financial sustainability and better serve students.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 0:53:33				Change the student portal system to list previously taken classes from Laney and Merritt as Oakland City College, as transfer institutions may not recognize the change in campus name and could reject students for changing college during a class series.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 8:43:33	Will the three colleges still be under Peralta Community College? Or is Peralta going away?				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 8:54:02	1.Keep the programs that give students a lucrative career. 2.Keep student groups that help students succeed. 3.Make financial aid info easily accessible. 4. Reviewed on a regular basis as well as understanding the grading system. 5. Label the shuttles. 6. Continue online programs.	1. My major is Paralegal Studies. I believe this will give me a lucrative and successful career. 2. Student groups like Sankofa, EOPS/CARE, and the Honor Society have help me to complete my degree. 3. & 4. I did not know I could lose financial aid by having too many W on my transcript. 5. I got on the wrong shuttle yesterday because they all look the same. The destination should be visible on the front or side of each shuttle. 6. I have been able to return to school and complete my degree because online classes are available.	Student Committees at the district level.	Safety and Attendance. There was recently a shooting on campus. I don't know if campus police are still around but when they were they did not respond quickly and they did not take threats seriously. Students, teachers and staff need to be vetted in order to determine if they deserve to be on campus. I hope the college does not close due to low attendance.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 10:34:54	I'm not a fan of the merger	Knowledge of campus	Community	At Merritt College, I know without viewing the map, where all buildings are located	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 11:02:02	Laney is the only school that provide transportation for the students from parking lot to in class building all others like Alameda and Merritt needs to provide the same for all students due to you have some students that don't drive at to any of these campuses that need it	Shuttle from parking lot to classrooms on each campus	Get the golf carts to help all	This is all	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 11:02:22					Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 13:28:15	Offer more classes each semester for some of the science classes.	More sessions of Anatomy and Physiology and Microbiology in the summer.	Hiring more professors and having more options.		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	4/30/2026 13:34:56	continued free parking and EV Chargers, preferably EVgo	Daycare for 0-5	n/a	No questions, it makes sense	Tier 2 - Second Priority

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	4/30/2026 16:31:01	<p>To improve while transitioning into a three-college system, the Peralta Community College District should focus on making things simpler and more accessible for students.</p> <p>At the campus level (like Laney College and Merritt College), they should improve counseling, mental health support, and make registration and class scheduling easier. It's also important to keep each campus's unique programs and community identity instead of making everything the same.</p> <p>At the district level, they should create one easy system for things like enrollment, financial aid, and advising, and allow students to take classes across campuses without barriers. Communication about changes should be clear so students aren't confused.</p> <p>Overall, the transition should prioritize student success, protect access for all students, and avoid making things more complicated during the change.</p>	<p>Examples</p> <p>Long wait times to meet with counselors or get academic advising</p> <p>Difficulty registering for classes across campuses or understanding degree requirements</p> <p>Financial aid delays or confusing processes</p> <p>Limited class availability at certain campuses, forcing students to commute</p> <p>Lack of clear communication about district changes or policies</p>	<p>Tools / Platforms / Structures That Could Help</p> <p>A single, unified student portal for registration, financial aid, and advising (instead of separate systems)</p> <p>Expanded use of online appointment systems for counseling and support services</p> <p>Degree planning tools that clearly map out classes across all campuses</p> <p>Better use of learning platforms like Canvas for consistency across courses</p> <p>A district-wide communication system (email/text alerts) to keep students informed</p>	<p>Tier 1 – Top Priority</p> <p>Will this change make it harder for students to access classes or services? Risk of losing important programs or support services during restructuring Need for clear, consistent communication so students aren't confused</p> <p>Tier 2 – Second Priority</p> <p>Whether counseling, financial aid, and advising will actually improve or become more centralized and slower How transportation and commuting between campuses will be affected Ensuring all campuses are equally supported and funded</p> <p>Tier 3 – Third Priority</p> <p>Maintaining each campus's identity and strengths How faculty and staff changes might impact class quality Long-term benefits vs. short-term disruption during the transition</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 17:57:01	<p>Eliminate duplicate administrative costs by consolidating back-office functions like financial aid and admissions into a single hub to reduce overhead and direct more resources to classrooms.</p> <p>Unify course scheduling across the district to balance offerings, expand online options, and eliminate competition for the same student populations.</p> <p>Establish clear campus specializations to utilize the unique strengths of each location, such as designating Merritt for health and environmental sciences and Laney for trades and career education.</p> <p>Enhance community engagement by involving staff and students in the rebranding process through town halls and surveys to ensure distinct legacies are respected.</p>	<p>Eliminate duplicate administrative costs by consolidating back-office operations like the financial aid and admissions offices, merging them into a single centralized system to reduce redundant expenses.</p> <p>Unify course scheduling to balance and distribute general education classes, such as offering an increased number of evening, weekend, and fully online math and English courses through the district's single Canvas LMS platform rather than having Laney and Merritt compete for enrollments.</p> <p>Establish clear campus specializations by leveraging existing investments, such as utilizing Merritt's modern Horticulture Complex for environmental and life sciences while using Laney's Transportation Technology Center for trades and industrial arts.</p> <p>Enhance community engagement by hosting town hall forums (both in-person and via Zoom) and launching surveys through Qualtrics/Google Forms that allow students, faculty, and staff to vote on a new mascot (e.g., the Night Heron) or provide input on the new Oakland City College brand identity.</p>	<p>Workday (Enterprise Resource Planning): Unifies human resources, payroll, and student information systems to centralize administrative functions and eliminate redundant overhead costs between the two campuses.</p> <p>CurricUNET (Course Management System): Harmonizes the academic catalogs and aligns degree pathways across the district to prevent duplication and ensure seamless credit transferability.</p> <p>Canvas LMS: Serves as the central digital platform for expanding online and hybrid degree pathways, allowing students to access classes regardless of the physical campus.</p> <p>PowerBI and Tableau: Used by the Data Summit and taskforce teams to track student enrollment patterns, analyze program success, and guide resource distribution equitably.</p> <p>Unification Taskforce and Shared Governance Summits: The primary collaborative structure that brings together students, faculty, and classified staff to guide the transition, plan the branding, and ensure the distinct legacies of each campus are preserved.</p> <p>PCCD Unification SharePoint Site: The central digital repository for committee reports, planning documents, and data required for ACCJC accreditation compliance.</p>	<p>Will the unique, long-standing traditions and identities of Laney College and Merritt College be completely erased? Will Merritt College remain a physical campus location, ensuring that the geographic roots of the institution where Huey P. Newton and Bobby Seale met are not lost? The "Birthplace" Identity: The historic 57th and Grove Street (now Martin Luther King Jr. Way) roots of the Black Panther Party are tied directly to Merritt's history, which the community demands be preserved.</p> <p>Staffing and job security remain a primary worry. Classified staff and faculty are concerned about potential layoffs or the consolidation of departments, even though district leadership has stated the goal is to reduce duplicate management rather than cut instructional staff.</p>	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	4/30/2026 19:06:54	Open offices (fin aid, cashiers, library, etc.) at least one Saturday of the month to support Saturday students. Clarity on ac transit pass and how to acquire. Increasing shuttle transportation between Laney and Merritt.				Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/1/2026 9:00:06	more semester should open for example winter semester, Also have more classes on the weekends.	N/A	More available classes for students	will it be in 1 campus only?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/1/2026 13:26:22	I assume that it is so you can reduce staff by moving course offerings around. If you do that, make the transition clear and easy. People going to Laney use BART. People going to Merritt use cars and buses. They're going to have to move around to take classes. So, when scheduling classes and curricula, keep that in mind.	An example is if you are offering certification in social work, have all those classes on the same campus.	If you can't sort out schedules making it less complicated to study a multidisciplinary major, at least offer shuttle service so people going to and from Merritt can get to BART easily.	How are you going to handle parking? Who is getting laid off? How are you going to handle student transportation?	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/1/2026 14:23:11	Bring back free classes and free food. That was amazing.	When classes used to be free and there was also a free meal per day at Laney. That was great.	Follow Through	Too expensive for a community college.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/1/2026 16:38:51	Getting more help for disabled students to transform to another college. In other words, having assistance available for handicapped students.	Having working elevator, other options to getting to class, having missed class work available online, and stating missed class out of student control.	Make sure we all are collaborating together..	Making other resources available for disabled students on campus.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/1/2026 20:39:38	Keep programs in the Art Department that are unique to each campus and perhaps alternate teachers and campuses for core art classes like painting and drawing.	Laney has a strong sculpture, ceramics, and printmaking programs and for the last few years has been the campus to take color theory and 2d design. Merritt has botanical drawing, figure drawing, watercolor, and portraiture all of which should be available every semester. Painting and drawing could alternate between campuses so that there is always at least one painting or drawing class being taught at either Laney or Merritt. That would also allow students to learn fundamentals from more than one instructor. Being exposed to a variety of styles and perspectives can be incredibly important in any discipline., but is particularly useful in the arts.	Goodwill, diplomacy, and a willingness to consider what is best for students. In a time of scarcity, people too often become entrenched and territorial.	The offerings in the art departments at both Laney and Merritt have been steadily declining over the last several years. I don't believe that this is due to a lack of interest from students, but to lack of funding and interest from administrators.	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	5/1/2026 22:32:35	Peralta can improve by increasing coordination, transparency, and student-centered services across all campuses. This includes aligning academic programs so students can easily take classes across colleges, improving communication between district leadership and individual campuses, and ensuring resources are distributed equitably. The district should focus on making the transition seamless for students by simplifying enrollment, counseling, and transfer pathways. Additionally, investing in student support services such as mental health, financial aid, and tutoring will help improve outcomes during transition.	1. Create a shared course catalog. 2. Offer joint counseling services. 3. Hold monthly town halls. 4. Expand online and hybrid classes. 5. Provide emergency grants, food programs, and housing support.	1. A unified student system like Canvas LMS or PeopleSoft for registration, grades, and communication. 2. A district-wide mobile app or portal. 3. A centralized advising structure. 4. Regular shared governance meetings. 5. A task force or transition team.	My main concern is how the transition to a three-college district will directly impact students, especially those who already face challenges with access, housing, finances, and academic support. During this transition, it is important that students are not confused or delayed in completing their education goals. Clear communication, consistent policies across campuses, and strong support systems will be critical. I also wonder how the district will ensure that all campuses receive equal resources and attention, so that no college or group of students is left behind. Another concern is whether students will have a voice in decision-making during this process. Overall, I believe the transition can be successful if it remains student-centered, transparent, and focused on equity and accessibility.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/2/2026 19:56:45				Concerned about the infrastructure, will classes still continue to be offered at both campus locations? I'm concerned that I'll have to commute even further to take the same classes I'd already planned on taking. Regarding the next question, is there more information on why this is happening so we can be informed and offer better advice?	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	5/3/2026 9:19:16	Update the infrastructure of Laney College	Improve the walk way between the student/staff parking lot and the campus			Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/3/2026 14:51:37	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Nothing	Tier 3 - Third Priority
	5/3/2026 15:37:30	By making sure accessibility to certain opportunities stay the same or even grow throughout the three campuses.	The option to join/take/have different kinds of classes, clubs, general opportunities.	I think the weekly newsletter is a good tool. Posters around campus are also helpful.	Will some things only be available at certain campuses?	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/4/2026 0:23:32	Making sure that all assignments is on canvas and not on a different page	Making sure that all work is on canvas	Canvas	My concern is that when we as students have to pay to do our homework/work on a different site when it should be on canvas so it won't cause any confusion	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/4/2026 13:02:47	Sharing resources and increased convenience.			I'm not too sure, but I like the survey.	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/4/2026 20:49:56	The peralta colleges can significantly improve by hiring more counselors and making them more easily available. Getting in touch with a counselor is very important!!	Creating a list of counselors and their work schedules for public to see. Showing opening slots. Placing counselors in one campus building not multiple campus buildings with different floors and different buildings because that's simply too confusing and frustrating for newcomers and returning students.	Anything helps such as emailing students counselor phone numbers, their schedules, and their locations. It should be that simple!!	Laney college has had homeless and dogs follow students around campus, consider building a fence around campus.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/4/2026 23:45:35	Maintain and improve streamlining/continuity of necessary courses, making those courses available for varying schedules, and ensure a non-conflicting schedules for related course pathways.	A prerequisite course for the second semester of a two-part course conflicts with the first. There are evening options, but as a working parent I can't be that flexible with my schedule.	In my specific example above, the issue is that Campus Solutions can't be overridden. The prerequisite course has optional live attendance for the lectures, and the time conflict is a 15-minute crossover in either case. I think there are situations where administrative override should be possible.		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/5/2026 15:32:01	Improving the environment conditions.	Having more available lights at night around Laney campus, and clean more frequently.	The campus manager.	NA	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/6/2026 10:40:28	regular cleaning and maintenance	Cleaning bathroom more often, replacing sinks toilet etc	N/A	No	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/6/2026 11:50:30	Nothing its perfect	NA	Canvas	None	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/6/2026 12:50:37	Not sure if this is already a thing but offer more public transportation for the students.	.Like giving student bus cards or something like that	.some sort of public advertising of that or	.	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/6/2026 13:02:10	I think Peralta Community College District can improve both at the campus and district level by focusing on student success, communication, and better organization while transitioning into a three-college district.	More email and text updates, Student town hall meetings, Easier-to-understand websites, Faster responses from admissions and financial aid	Student apps Canvas announcements Text alert systems District communication portal	N/A	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/6/2026 14:21:25	To bring/weave community within classes to help easier increase the social networks for those who plan on furthering their career at each community college. Offer more workshops and advertise local jobs.	Career Fairs.			Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/6/2026 17:29:38	Ive enjoyed everything so far	n/a	n/a	honestly no i've had a good time so far	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/6/2026 19:21:33	Bring more counceours and make them available.	Show counselor schedules online with opening and closed slots, email the schedules to all peralta students.	Using email and a form of a spreadsheet	Consider bringing fences around Laney college so students arent followed by homeless.	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/7/2026 10:51:30					
	5/7/2026 12:43:55	Keep an open line of communication	Transparency Communication Timelessness	You could put something like: *Create a districtwide communication hub with regular upda		Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/8/2026 1:36:52	Ensuring the colleges adequately address the concerns of students a	Meetings, conducting surveys (such as this one), communicator	Email, Peralta District Website, Social Media platforms to be	N/A	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/8/2026 3:49:50					
	5/8/2026 11:01:23	focus on the students and their safety	laney's campus is completely open to the public. Anyone can acc	enclose the campus and higher better security	n/a	Tier 1 - Top Priority

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	5/8/2026 14:35:56	I'm not as I am a first time student at this campus and only through a	For example, back in 2018/2019 when I was a student at Chabot	Instructors sharing information and ways for students to prc		Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/8/2026 15:15:47	Many students struggle with: * confusing class schedules * financial aid delays * unclear counseling information * last-minute class cancellations	Text alerts for canceled classes * One student app for: * registration * Canvas * financial aid * counseling appointments * bus/transit updates * More multilingual communication	Helpful Tools/Platforms * Canvas LMS * Salesforce Education Cloud * Microsoft Teams for Education	Students may feel confused during restructuring * Budget cuts could reduce services * Staff/faculty may resist major changes * Technology systems can be expensive to upd	Tier 1 - Top Priority
	5/8/2026 23:31:26	by improving communication between the colleges so students can c	Examples include giving students faster email responses, clearer	Tools like Canvas, student apps, text alerts, and one shared	None	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/9/2026 18:08:07	1 college with 3 campuses instead of 3 separate colleges. all under 1		web design	what courses may be lost in the process?	Tier 2 - Second Priority
	5/10/2026 14:40:18	Make sure resources ramp up since all the schools are coming toget!	Things like meals for athletes			Tier 3 - Third Priority
	5/10/2026 22:03:12	Maybe more social events?	Creating social events for students to get to know other students	Like other events have something social that students can v	n/a	Tier 3 - Third Priority