We were the only community college among 11 institutions to receive recognition in this category. Some of the other institutions acknowledged within this category were: North Carolina State University, Columbia University Science and Engineering Library, Oregon State University, and Old Dominion University.

The College completed major technological enhancements to the Field House in the Health, Sports and Education Center (HS&E) on the Michael J. Grant Campus. These changes make the facility an unparalleled venue for both internal and external events and shows in our region. The 60,000 square-foot HS&E is the largest unobstructed exhibition facility on Long Island and has hosted numerous community-based events including: the L.I. Pet Expo, Hauppauge Industrial Association (HIA) Trade Show, Suffolk County Track Championships, and Special Olympics. The facility received a comprehensive acoustic and engineering analysis resulting in significant enhancements over the past year. An advanced, customized speaker system now delivers dynamic sound that fully covers the entire floor space. It also allows for a multitude of facility set-ups to accommodate different sized events in various locations of the building, remotely managed from an iPad or laptop. New baffles and sound boards also contribute to the state-of-the-art sound system; while digital sound panels are now able to be remotely managed. The Lecture Hall, which is adjacent to the HS&E, also received a comprehensive audio and visual analysis. This review led to a newly installed surround-sound system that can dynamically change acoustic ambiance depending upon the needs of the event. It includes a central source for all controls and a specialized webcam system that offers video conferencing capabilities internally at SCCC or with an external source.



SCCC's Montaukett Learning Resource Center was recognized by the American Library Association for its award-winning design.

Improved Student Life. In the Spring, we held a college-wide event to combat bullying and cyberbullying. The event took place on the Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood and was simulcast to the Ammerman and Eastern campuses. The forum offered faculty and student discussion, prevention and reporting information, as well as steps students can take if they are being bullied or witness bullying. After the event, an anti-bullying pledge was placed on the College's Facebook page for students to sign and a new College policy was developed and advanced to the Board of Trustees for consideration and approval.



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The Eastern Campus is completing space renovations to conclude its proposed One-Stop Center. When implemented, this project will centralize the on-campus student support services and move the student enrollment experience into one location, instead of the current model which can consist of six or more different stops for our students.

We have also expanded the presence of closed circuit digital televisions displaying information regarding campus activities, college events and in-building emergency notifications on each campus to enhance our safety and security operations.

Stay on Long Island. To help ensure that our graduates remain on Long Island after they complete their education at Suffolk and to increase the likelihood that they will stay in our region and contribute their skills toward enhancing the local economy, I launched the Stay on Long Island Initiative in 2010. Since that time, we have been able to provide full- and partial-tuition scholarships to graduating Suffolk students who transfer to one of our 11 partnering four-year schools on Long Island. This program has awarded approximately $1 million in scholarship support for the best and brightest students graduating from Suffolk.



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