

## **Naming of Facility Nomination**

### **Nominee**

Anthony Costello

### **Description of Proposed Naming of Facility and Rationale**

Las Positas Basketball Court in Honor of  
Coach Tony Costello

(Redesign and name the basketball court next time it is resurfaced and repainted.)

A request to name the basketball court at Las Positas College in honor of Mr. Costello is being proposed. This will serve as a symbol to the community and the college of the service, dedication, and inspiration he demonstrated as an educator and colleague. The Court is located in the Building 2500 PE Complex, within the gymnasium, on the first floor of the building.

### **Evidence to Support Nominee**

Mr. Anthony Costello was a full-time faculty member and head basketball coach at Las Positas College. Since his passing on August 25, 2013, a number of letters of support and resolutions requesting the naming of the LPC basketball court in his honor have been received.

Mr. Costello was a full-time faculty member who served as head basketball coach at Chabot College from 1992-2005, prior to becoming head basketball coach at Las Positas College from 2005 to 2013. His influence inspired students to build upon their self-confidence, and their ability to perform beyond what goals they had set for themselves. The teams' records were evident of that success. LPC's first year basketball team made history when they won their inaugural basketball game. Reaching the playoffs in three seasons through the exceptional, hard work instilled in them by Coach Costello, the team advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in 2012.

As an instructor, Mr. Costello made a significant contribution to students, specifically those who had been coached by him in basketball techniques, strategies, and competition. Coaching lessons of this type often translate into life-long values, moral codes, and ethical behavior.

As a colleague, Mr. Costello was a role model, and an engaging, enthusiastic, and supportive member of the faculty. He left behind a permanent mark of integrity and quality on the Physical Education and Kinesiology department improving, the curriculum and the operation of the department as a whole.

As a member of the campus community, Mr. Costello was engaged and actively involved in the continuous improvement of the LPC campus and worked to promote not only his department, but the College within the community. He was truly an advocate for his students, his department, the College, and the community.

Coach Costello's roots were here in the Tri-Valley area having graduated from Amador Valley High in 1974. In 1981 he became Dublin High School's Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach. In the six years he was there, the team made the league playoffs four times, and reached the North Coast Section semi-finals in 1983.

Students, colleagues, and staff will forever be enriched by their experience of having known Mr. Costello. A testimony of that fact is found in the numerous Letters of Support and Resolutions received from family members, students, LPC's Academic Senate President, LPC's Classified Senate, SEIU 1021, the Administrative Management Team, and Associated Students of Las Positas College.