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Nichols and Phelan Congratulate Lamar State College-Orange on New Multi-Purpose Building

Austin, TX - This week, Senator Robert Nichols (R-Jacksonville) and Representative Dade Phelan (R-Beaumont) attended the ribbon cutting for the new multi-purpose education building on the Lamar State College - Orange (LSCO) campus. Nichols and Phelan worked together during the 84th Legislative Session to help pass a \$10 million tuition-backed revenue bond (TRB) to fund the building.

"I was proud to work with Rep. Phelan during the 84th Legislative Session and pass the TRB for this new building on campus," said Nichols. "The resources Lamar-Orange provides is very important to its local community. I look forward to seeing how they continue to reach more students and provide further opportunities for local industries, with the use of this building."

The multi-purpose building will be used to provide learning spaces for the continuing education department on campus. This will allow the College to expand its partnerships with local businesses to ensure they are receiving the most qualified workforce for their industries.

"The new Multi-Purpose Center allows Lamar State College – Orange to expand its mission of workforce development in Southeast Texas," said Phelan. "The additional lecture facilities will also provide a unique opportunity for non-credited students to receive the customized training essential to local industry."

The multi-purpose building will also house the College Success program which provides resources for incoming students, Large, flexible meeting rooms, with the latest technology available, will also be available for use by those on campus and in the community.