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# **New CSN library and classroom building opens on Charleston campus**

**LAS VEGAS**, Aug. 22, 2008 — With the new school year comes a new home for the Charleston campus book collection at the College of Southern Nevada and an improved opportunity for learning for CSN students.

Starting Monday, students will enjoy a brand new 24,000-square-foot library.

With wireless Internet available throughout, 10 private group study rooms, more than 50 desktop PCs, 100 notebooks available for checkout, Bluetooth wireless headsets and movable armchair couches with adjustable desks, the configuration possibilities are endless — not to mention the on-site café and ability to bring ‘light snacks’ into the library.

“The entire facility was designed with the students in mind,” said Clarissa Erwin, College of Library Services director. “I’ve worked here for 16 years and am so pleased that this year we have a beautiful, inviting, learning environment and unmatched resource center for our students. We are really excited for the school year to begin and to welcome our students to the new library.”

The 78,110 square-foot, three-story library and classroom building, officially known as Building I, was designed by Domingo Cambeiro Architects. It took 14 months to construct and cost \$25 million.

Building I includes 26 smart classrooms with the latest computing technology. The bottom two floors are dedicated to information literacy instruction. Building I is also home to a modern auditorium that accommodates 129 students along with a couple dozen faculty and staff offices spread across three levels. Departments including international languages, math and library services will occupy the building. Although the Building I will be open for classes on Aug. 25, a grand opening dedication is slated for Sept. 18.

## **About CSN**

Founded in 1971 and educating more than 80,000 students annually, the College of Southern Nevada ([www.csn.edu](http://www.csn.edu)) is the state’s largest college. CSN is one of the country’s most exciting and dynamic colleges with more than 200 degrees and certificates in more than 100 areas of study. Students create flexible, personalized schedules including day, evening and weekend classes taught on three main campuses, 14 academic and learning centers and many satellite locations throughout Southern Nevada.

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