

## Inauguration of a New Wing at Cégep Heritage College

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Gatineau, September 6, 2016 – During a ceremony held today at Cégep Heritage College, the Minister of Higher Education, Hélène David and Hull MNA Maryse Gaudreault, inaugurated a new wing at Cégep Heritage College.

They also visited the \$11.9 million expansion which includes thirteen additional classrooms and three computer labs at Heritage's main campus on Cité-des-Jeunes. In addition, the new facilities will address space requirements for services such as the library and physical education.

Cégep Heritage College is also planning to add more space by January 2017 to accommodate the new Special Care Counseling program which will be offered at Heritage starting in September 2017.

The net outcome of these projects will help fight the deficit of programs offered in post-secondary education in the Outaouais and will reduce the exodus of Outaouais' students to Ottawa.

Proud to deliver this major project on time and on budget, Michael Randall, Director General of Cégep Heritage College quoted a recommendation from the recent report published by the Front régional de l'Outaouais: calling on the Government of Quebec *to support the Outaouais in increasing program offerings in the post-secondary education network*. He noted that today's announcement is clearly in line with this recommendation.

**About Cégep Heritage College:** Cégep Heritage College is one of 48 CEGEPs (Collèges d'Enseignement Général et Professionnel) in the province of Quebec, the only English CEGEP in Western Quebec. The College offers four pre-university programs, and eight career programs. What's more, its Centre for Continuing Education offers programs leading to Attestations of College Studies and made-to-measure programs for businesses.

Quality education, smaller classes, a friendly atmosphere, and dynamic extra-curricular and social activities make Cégep Heritage College the perfect place to study and meet new friends. The College's modern facilities feature a gymnasium, fitness centre, dance studio, comprehensive library, and 156-seat auditorium. Our spacious campus grounds include a large soccer field, basketball court, 6 beach volleyball courts, and biking and hiking paths.

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