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TO: Lane Community College Board of Education

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RE: Highlights that are featured as part of the Board Report

TRIO STEM:

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Symantec awarded the TRiO STEM Program a \$5,000 grant to develop a student support program for students in STEM majors (Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math) who plan to eventually join the TRiO STEM program.

TRiO STEM, a student support services program funded by the Department of Education, serves 120 first generation, low-income, and disabled students. Once the 120 positions are filled, students must wait for openings. To facilitate the Symantec grant, the TRiO STEM staff will collaborate with the Women's Center staff to recruit a cohort of 15 students who will work with a coach/mentor during the winter and spring terms. These students will then join the TRiO STEM program the following fall. The coach will provide academic advising, tutoring, and general support. The program will run for two years, supporting 2 cohorts of students. Symantec also agreed to provide support the students with mentors and company tours.