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Countdown to Riverside City College's 100th Anniversary

In the mid-1960s, the Riverside Junior College District purchased the Old Poly High School campus and demolished it to make room for Riverside City College expansion. In the undated first photo, the new buildings constructed on the former Poly High property can be seen. These structures include the Student Center, the Life and Physical Science Buildings and the library. Also built during the 1960s was the Art Building. The second photo is from the May 9, 1969 "Tiger Times" and shows the same area at a later stage of development. By this time, the Quadrangle’s Auditorium and Outdoor Stage had already been removed for the redesign of its west side.

Next week, a look at a 1989 aerial photograph of the campus.

It is 4 years and 34 weeks until RCC’s 100th Anniversary on March 13, 2016.
The Riverside City College Instructional Media Center is bringing you this five year countdown to RCC’s 100th Anniversary. Our intention is to give everyone a weekly glance at the many people and events that have been a part of the college.

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