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ABOUT THIS LETTER:

The Cardinal Chronicle is a bi-weekly letter highlighting different majors, schools, job tips, funding, opportunities, and many other things. This is a resource for you and will be archived so that you can easily find information. Please feel free to reach out to me at amercado3@sandi.net if you have any questions about the content provided

RESOURCES FOR DREAMERS:

Please Apply for CA Dream Act by March 3rd, 2021, to see If you qualify for aid. Below are some resources for CA Dreamers:

- SWOL scholarship! \$2,500/yr for community college, \$4,500 yr/ for four-year university. High school seniors impacted by immigration. GPA 2.9 or higher. Need a letter of rec from Mrs. Scully. The app is due Feb 3.
 - https://www.sdfoundation.org/students/common-scholarship-app/
- Dream Act one-on-one sessions with Mrs. Scully through March 2.
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/13IPJ5-AlHeGOIc1_1SHj87-AKkM_ArS5rzA0hNSOeO0/edit
- DACA first-time applicant confidential screening and resources.
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1UPdw7oiap4opeNBGE8JyNbYgghFji6bP95BAAPY3azo/edit
- California Student Aid Commission resources for undocumented/dreamer students.
 - https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/resources-california-dream-act-application



THE SAN DIEGO PROMISE

WHAT IS THE SAN DIEGO PROMISE?

The San Diego Promise program is a two-year completion program for recent high school graduates who enroll full-time (12 units per semester) at San Diego City College, San Diego Mesa College, or San Diego Miramar College. The program provides up to two years of free tuition to eligible students. Participation in the Promise program comes with various benefits: free tuition for up to two years, access to peer mentor/success coach, specialized counseling and guidance support, and additional campus engagement opportunities.

BENEFITS:

- Up to two years of free tuition and health fees
- Book grants for eligible students
- Access to Peer Mentor/Success Coach
- Individualized counseling and guidance support to help you complete your educational goals

ELIGIBILTY:

- Must be a first-time college student
- Must be Class of 2021 high school graduate (H.S. Diploma or GED)
- Must be a California resident or AB 540 eligible
- Must enroll in a minimum of 12 units each semester (does not apply to DSPS students with eligible academic accommodation)
- Must maintain a 2.0 college GPA

PROGRAM REQUIRMENTS:

- Attend an on-campus Promise orientation
- Sign a Promise contract
- Enroll in at least 12 units by September 7, 2021
- Meet with a counselor each semester
- Complete a comprehensive education plan by the end of your first year

APPLY:

Complete steps 1-4 by June 11th for priority registration and admission to the program.

- Step 1: Complete a Fall 2021 application for admission at City, Mesa, or Miramar College:
 - https://www.sdccd.edu/apply/
 - Step 2: Complete a 2021-2022 FAFSA or California Dream Act application.
 - FAFSA https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa
 - CA Dream Act https://dream.csac.ca.gov/
 - School Codes for FAFSA or Dream Act applications:
 - City College: 001273Mesa College: 001275Miramar College: 014172
- Miramar College: 014172
 Step 3: Complete a Promise application:
- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf6LmbqTNjxlRUmTbuv6nWnNd0KTOZr1us rOx-so CoF2SFw/viewform
- Step 4: Complete an online orientation and meet with a college counselor for an abbreviated education plan.
- Step 5: Attend an on-campus Promise orientation and sign your Promise Contact.

For additional information on the San Diego Promise Program, please contact our Outreach offices:

- City College First-Year Services (FYS)
 - o 619-388-3998 sdpromisecity@sdccd.edu
- Mesa College Outreach
 - 619-388-2230 sdpromisemesa@sdccd.edu
- Miramar College Outreach
 - 619-388-7357 sdpromisemiramar@sdccd.edu

SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



THE VIA RAPIDA FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE:

GROSSMONT COLLEGE GROSSMONT



We will be hosting a series of Via Rápida FYE Information Sessions that will include information on Grossmont, our program benefits, a student panel, and a live Q&A portion for attendees (flyers attached). The Via Rápida First-Year Experience (FYE) program guides students during their first year at Grossmont and has proven to increase student retention through its offering of high impact social and academic support. Our program is open to all first-time students regardless of age, enrollment status, educational goals, and immigration status. We're currently accepting applications for the fall 2021-spring 2022 school year!

BENEFITS:

- Griffin Experience (Welcome Session)
- Priority Registration to Classes (Fall & Spring of First Year)
- An Assigned Peer Mentor
- Academic, Career, & Personal counseling (Their own FYE Counselor)
- Learning Communities
- Financial Aid Liaison
- Academic, Career, Cultural & Success Skills Workshops
- Connections to Campus Resources & Much More!

WHY APPLY?:

- Info Sessions are great opportunities for students and their families to learn more about community college, the enrollment process, hear from current students, and get a chance to ask questions. Spanish sessions are also being offered!
- To Attend, please register here:
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FA IpQLSeLBrc3fpvK Q1EiHCSELe-PH2O-PDxqfEmkIx9MNg69Z_Wfw/viewform

SAN DIEGO LGBT COMMUNITY CENTER:

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES (BHS)

The San Diego LGBT Community Center is now offering Behavioral Health Services (BHS) as part of its Emergency Services because now, perhaps more than ever, our LGBTQ and HIV communities need and deserve access to mental healthcare and support. The Center's BHS provides telehealth services, both by phone and a HIPAA-compatible version Zoom Health Care, for individual, couple, family, and group counseling services. Topics of therapy include relationship violence treatment and wellness; assistance for transgender and nonbinary persons with transition or exploration of gender identity; community resources and support for those living with HIV/AIDS; and more targeted services. Most services are available with sliding scale payments and some insurance plans are accepted. Persons living with HIV may potentially qualify to receive no-cost counseling services



If you, or someone you know, is in need of The Center's BHS services, please contact our On Duty staff at (619) 692-2077 ${\sf x}$ 208 or onduty@thecentersd.org for more information or to schedule an intake. The Center is also continuing to provide Emergency Services through this crisis including food resources, housing resources, and rental relief, HIV testing, healthcare enrollment, virtual support and discussion groups, emergency resources and referrals, and more. Call us (619) 800-4252 from 9 am-4 pm and (619) 800-4216 from 4 pm-9 pm and we will be happy to help you.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

EVENTS TO ATTEND

Virtual College Fairs:

- Jan 31st, 2021 at 1:00 PM 7:00 PM EST: NACAC Virtual College Fair https://virtualcollegefairs.org/events
- Feb 28th, 2021 at 1:00 PM 7:00 PM EST: **NACAC Virtual College Fair** https://virtualcollegefairs.org/events
- Feb 6th, 2021 at 1:00 PM-5:00 PM PST: BigFuture Days West + Southwest -https://pages.collegeboard.org/big-future-days?SFMC_cid=EM424052-&rid=29370854

College Events:

• Feb 16th, 2021 at 1:00 PM PST: San Diego City First Step! - http://bit.ly/cityfirststep1

Conferences:

 Feb 25th, 2021 at 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM PST: San Diego City College HUBU High School Conference - www.bit.ly/cityhubuhs21

Hoover Events:

Feb 10th, 2021 at 6:00 PM PST: Family Senior Night - Zoom Code: 8 4 4 7 1 1 8 5 8 4 5



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