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Cabrillo College Announces Seventh Annual 'Cash 4 College' Workshops In Aptos and Watsonville

Community Wide Events Give Students and Parents Help Completing FAFSAs and Dream Act Applications

APTOS, CA — Cabrillo College today announces its seventh annual *Cash 4 College* Workshops, community-wide events in which all Santa Cruz County students and their parents are invited to Cabrillo's campus locations to receive help from financial aid counselors in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Dream Act applications. Assistance will be provided in English and in Spanish.

The *Cash 4 College* Workshops will be held at both Cabrillo's Aptos and Watsonville campus locations. The Aptos *Cash for College* Workshop will be Friday, February 10th, 2017 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the SAC West Room 202 at the Aptos Campus, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos. The Aptos *Cash for College* Workshop will feature a FAFSA Workshop (4:00 p.m.), a Cal Grant Overview (5:00 p.m.), a Loans Overview (5:45 p.m.), and a Financial Literacy Workshop (6:30 p.m.) as well as drop-in advising for assistance in completing the FAFSA and Dream Act applications.

The Watsonville *Cash For College* Workshop will be held Friday, February 24, 2017 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Room A350 of the Cabrillo College Watsonville Center, 318 Union Street, Watsonville. The event will also feature ongoing FAFSA assistance, with an open computer lab where students and parents can complete the online FAFSA and Dream Applications, as well as eForms.

The *Cash for College* workshops are open to all parents, students, and prospective students, regardless of where they plan to attend college. Anyone planning to complete the FAFSA form to determine if they qualify for Federal financial aid is encouraged to attend. Also at the *Cash for College* Workshops, all AB 540 undocumented students can receive help in filling out Dream Act Applications.

Approximately 20 trained Cabrillo financial aid counselors and staff members will be on hand. Assistance will be provided in both English and Spanish.

"The timing of this event is particularly important as the CalGrant deadline is March 2, 2017, and CalGrants can be received through the completion of a FAFSA or a Dream Act application," said Tootie Tzimbal, Cabrillo College Director of Financial Aid.

No appointments are necessary; attendees will be assisted on a first-come, first-served basis. Students should bring the following items:

- Student's Social Security Card & Driver's License/State ID
- Parent's Social Security Number & date of birth (for students under 24)
- Student's & Parent's 2015 Federal Tax Returns & W2s
- Student's & Parent's 2016 bank & investment statements



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- Any records of untaxed income such as child support, housing allowance, workers comp or disability
- Student's Permanent Resident Card or Green Card (if not a citizen)
- Student's and Parent's FSA ID, if you have one

For more information, students and parents are encouraged to contact the Cabrillo College Financial Aid & Scholarships Office at financial.aid@cabrillo.edu or 831-479-6415.

About Cabrillo College

Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos, Scotts Valley and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Cabrillo College is a dynamic, diverse and responsive educational community that is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic, career, and personal development goals.

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