

FINANCIAL AID

The colleges of the District offer both federal and state Financial Aid programs.

Federal Student Financial Assistance Program (Title IV) includes:

- Pell Grants;
- Direct Student Loan Program;
- Work Study;
- Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG); and
- other federal grants and scholarships.

State funded programs include:

- College Promise Grant (formerly known as the BOG Fee Waiver);
- Cal Grants;
- CalWORKS; and
- other special grants and scholarships.

The colleges provide up-to-date information on:

- application procedures, including deadlines;
- student eligibility;
- payment procedures;
- overpayment recovery;
- accounting requirements; and
- satisfactory academic progress.

Misrepresentation

Misrepresentation is defined as any false, erroneous, or misleading statement that the District, a representative of the District, or a service provider with which the District has contracted to provide educational programs, marketing, advertising, recruitment, or admission services, makes directly or indirectly to a student, prospective student, a member of the public, an accrediting agency, a state agency, or the United States Department of Education.

A misleading statement includes any statement that has the likelihood or tendency to deceive or confuse. If a person to whom the misrepresentation was made could reasonably be expected to rely, or has reasonably relied, on the misrepresentation, the misrepresentation would be substantial.

This procedure does not apply to statements by students through social media outlets or by vendors that are not providing covered services, as reflected herein.

Loss of Eligibility for California College Promise Grant (formerly known as the BOG Fee Waiver)

A student shall become ineligible for a California College Promise Grant if the student is placed on academic or progress probation, or any combination thereof, for two consecutive primary terms. Loss of eligibility shall become effective at the first registration opportunity after such determination is made.

The District shall notify students of their placement on academic or progress probation no later than 30 days following the end of the term that resulted in the student's placement on probation. The notification must clearly state that two consecutive primary terms of probation will lead to a loss of the California College

Promise Grant until the student is no longer on probation. The notification must also advise students about available student support services to assist them in maintaining eligibility.

The District shall adopt, prominently display, and disseminate policies/procedures ensuring that students are advised about the student support services available to assist them in maintaining and reestablishing California College Promise Grant eligibility. Dissemination includes, but is not limited to, information provided in college catalogs and class schedules.

A student seeking to appeal the loss of a California College Promise Grant due to extenuating circumstances must complete and submit the Registration Appointment and California College Promise Grant Appeal form which is available in person or online from the college Admissions and Records Office or website. Extenuating circumstances are verified cases of accidents, illness, or other circumstances that might include documented changes in the student's economic situation or evidence that the student was unable to obtain essential student support services. Extenuating circumstances also include special consideration of the specific factors associated with Veterans, CalWORKS, EOPS, and DSPS student status.

Foster Youth shall not be subject to loss of the California College Promise Grant due to placement on academic or progress probation. This exemption for Foster Youth is effective until the date specified in the California Education Code, Section 66025.9(c).

20 U.S.C., Sections 1070 et seq.
34 CFR, Section 668

California Education Code, Sections 66021.3, 66021.6, 66025.9, 69514, 76300, 94912.5
Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Sections 55031 and 58600 et seq.

U.S. Department of Education Regulations on the Integrity of Federal Student Financial Aid Programs
under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.