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Student Services

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Dear Student,

The California Community Colleges are facing serious fiscal challenges as a result of the State budget crisis. ***It is more important than ever that students pay close attention to deadlines, e-mail messages and other important information.*** Following are some strategies to help minimize the impact on you:

1. **There will be a reduction of hours and staff availability for support services.**

What can you do?

- Plan ahead and do not leave your business up to the last minute, or you may not be served in time to meet important deadlines. This includes requests for transcripts, educational planning (ed plans), counseling office visits, financial aid services, as well as other important support you may need.
- If you are an evening student, plan to contact service offices as soon as you arrive on campus. Most services will close earlier than in the past.

2. **As demand for classes increases and budgets decline, it is going to get harder to find classes at the times that meet your schedule.**

What can you do?

- Register at your appointment time to maximize access to classes and identify an alternative schedule in the event that your classes are not available.
- Promptly drop the classes you do not attend so other students may enroll. *Late drops will not be accepted.*
- Pay all fees by the deadline so you are not dropped from your classes (even if you have a BOG waiver, you are responsible for paying the health fee).

3. **The maximum allowable unit load for registration will be reduced to 16 units.**

What can you do?

- Plan your class schedule carefully before registering.
 - Some ideas might include: seeing a counselor, checking the availability of classes prior to registering via the online schedule of classes, or by using the Registration Worksheet located in the online schedule of classes.

4. **Late adds and drops will not be allowed.**

What can you do?

- Adhere to the "Important Deadlines" posted in the online schedule of classes at <http://schedule.sdccd.edu/index.cfm?action=resources>

5. **Academic Accommodations for Students with Disabilities may be delayed.**

What can you do?

- Take advantage of your priority enrollment time.
- Request academic accommodations as soon as you register.
- Immediately notify DSPS of changes in your schedule so that other students can receive accommodations.
- Service providers for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing are limited. Do not delay meeting with your DSPS counselor for recommendations for Fall accommodation support.

6. **Concurrently enrolled high school students will be limited to one course per semester.**

Please be assured that we remain committed to providing a quality educational experience and every effort is being made to minimize the impact of the current State budget situation on the students we serve.

Sincerely,

Your Student Services Staff at City, Mesa, and Miramar Colleges