Financial Aid Office



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COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT ALERT! FINANCIAL AID REGULATIONS FOR 2011/2012

If you get a *grant* and then <u>WITHDRAW</u> from <u>all</u> your classes before 60% of the semester is complete, you may *owe money back to the federal programs*. According to the day that you withdraw, the financial aid office will calculate the portion of the grant that you have "earned" from the beginning of the semester until the day you dropped your class/classes.

IF YOU WITHDRAW AFTER YOU HAVE EARNED 60% OF YOUR GRANT, YOU DO NOT OWE ANY REPAYMENT!

 If you withdraw before you have earned 60% of your grant, you may be required to pay money back.

Example: You receive a \$1,000 grant, there are 100 days in the term and you drop out on the 26th day, then you have **earned** 26% of your grant.

\$1,000 x 26% = \$260.00 earned. 100% - 26% = 74% unearned \$1,000 x 74% = \$740.00 unearned.

 The college will owe some of the money back depending on the number of units you took.

Example: You took 12 units at \$36.00 per unit 12 units x 36= \$432.00 x 74% **(unearned)** = \$320.00 that the school has to pay.

You will then be required to pay back the unearned amount, minus the college share, times 50%. (\$740.00 - \$320.00 = \$420.00 x 50% = \$210.00)

Immediately go to the Compton Center Financial Aid Office located in E-17 to speak with a Financial Aid Advisor and discuss your reasons for leaving.

- If you must drop your classes, start your withdrawal process by notifying the **ADMISSION OFFICE.**
- If you leave school owing money and do not make arrangements with the Financial Aid Office for repayment to the federal government, the Financial Aid Office will put a **national** hold on your student aid **eligibility**, including your academic records.
- The 60% point for the Fall 2011 semester is October 30, 2011.
- The 60% point for the Spring 2012 semester is April 24, 2012.

DO NOT DROP OR WITHDRAW FROM CLASSES IF POSSIBLE! IF YOU MUST WITHDRAW, KEEP AT LEAST ONE CLASSES EVERY SEMESETR TO AVOID REPAYING ANY GRANT MONEY. REMEMBER, WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES WILL AFFECT YOUR ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND FUTURE FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY.