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### ***California Community Colleges and Financial Aid Awareness Month***

Currently more than 2.1 million students are served each year at 112 California community colleges, representing the largest system of higher education in the world. California community colleges provide workforce training, basic skills courses in English and math, and prepare students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities.

Many students still need help paying for college and often may not be aware of the variety of financial aid opportunities offered. The California Community Colleges are raising awareness and outreach through a campaign called "I Can Afford College." The campaign's website, [icanaffordcollege.com](http://icanaffordcollege.com) can help students with the financial aid application process, seek information about financial aid workshops and get connected to local financial aid experts for assistance.

During April, I ask that all Californians join me in celebrating the role the California Community Colleges system plays in our great state and encourage all current and prospective California community college students to visit [icanaffordcollege.com](http://icanaffordcollege.com).

Sincerely,

  
EDMUND G. BROWN JR.