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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.

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 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.

This past year, I signed legislation that allows the California Community College system to establish a pilot baccalaureate degree program, providing affordable options to earn four-year degrees.

During April, I ask that all Californians join me in celebrating the role the California Community Colleges system plays in our great state.

Sincerely,


EDMUND G. BROWN JR.