



## SAN DIEGO PROMISE

A high priority for the Chancellor's Cabinet is the San Diego Promise, the District's free community college initiative. As the program prepares to enter its fourth academic year, it continues to expand to meet the needs of the community. Applications are being accepted through June 28 for the program, which provides two years of free tuition and textbook grants for first-time, full-time students. Nearly 2,000 students from 198 California high schools have signed up for the 2019-20 academic year. This is a three-fold increase over 2018 at the same time. The District anticipates enrolling as many as 3,000 San Diego Promise students for the coming year at City, Mesa, and Miramar colleges. The Chancellor's Cabinet is closely following the status of Assembly Bill 2 (Santiago), which would provide even more state funding, and allow the District to expand the program to include several groups of students who currently don't qualify for the program. In addition, the District's fundraising campaign recently surpassed \$1 million in contributions from individuals, corporations, and foundations since the program's inception.

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## COMMENCEMENT WRAP UP

In May, a record 11,754 degrees and certificates were awarded by the colleges and Continuing Education. Highlights included 22 students earning bachelor's degrees in Health Information Management at Mesa College through the state's Baccalaureate Pilot Program. In addition, more than 50 students at the colleges were awarded associate degrees through the San Diego Promise program, which provides free tuition and book grants for two years for all first-time, full-time students. In all, San Diego City, Mesa, and Miramar colleges conferred 4,145 degrees, up 7 percent from last year. Not to be outdone, more than 6,006 vocational program certificates and 177 diplomas were awarded by San Diego Continuing Education. The Chancellor's Cabinet congratulates all the graduates who were part of the historic Class of 2019.



## CHANCELLOR'S OPEN OFFICE HOURS FALL SEMESTER 2019

As in the past, Chancellor Carroll wants to afford an opportunity for input throughout the District. In order to do this, Chancellor's Open Office Hours have been scheduled at various locations in the District. Please call in advance for a short appointment (this will prevent people from having to wait) by contacting the Chancellor's Office (ext 6957).

**October 7 (Monday) 3:00-4:00 p.m.**  
Miramar College – Room N206, President's Office Room

**October 28 (Monday) 3:00-4:00 p.m.**  
Continuing Ed, ECC – Room 169

**November 4 (Monday) 3:00-4:00 p.m.**  
City College – A322, President's Office Room

**December 05 (Thursday) 3:00-4:00 p.m.**  
Mesa College – A104, President's Office Room

**January 14 (Tuesday) 3:00-4:00 p.m.**  
District Office – Room 300, Chancellor's Office