

THIS WEEK

17 • Monday

- » Holiday — President's Day (campus closed)

18 • Tuesday

- » Black History Month Event: Film "Hurricane" screened, H-108, 2:30-5 p.m.

19 • Wednesday

- » Club Rush, in front of Admissions and Records, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- » Black History Month Event: Lula Washington Dance Co. performance, Studio Theater, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- » Last day to sign up for Daffodil Days — contact Student Activities for an order form

20 • Thursday

- » Club Rush, in front of Admissions and Records, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- » Black History Month Event: General Peter Gravett speech, Theater Lobby, 11 a.m.

21 • Friday

- » Last chance to volunteer for Senior Day — see Becky Rojas in Student Activities for a volunteer form

THEY SAID IT

"In all our deeds, the proper value and respect for time determines success or failure."

— Malcolm X

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Budget Update: Spending Restrictions

► Campus input on budget solutions sought as state cuts draw near.

In preparation for current-year budget cuts that could reach \$2.1 million dollars, Cypress College began significant spending restrictions in December.

It has been determined that campus spending on all but vital items must be halted to make ends meet. In addition to the "spending freeze," hiring of new employees is also being nearly completely curtailed. It is estimated that spending cuts will save about \$500,000. Cutting under-enrolled classes this semester will save an additional \$550,000.

Use of hourly employees has also been scaled back significantly. Nearly 80% of Cypress College's general fund budget is allocated to benefits and salaries for full-time employees, so limiting the use of hourly employees is one of the few areas of true discretionary spending that the college has.

Even with cuts of that magnitude, \$750,000-\$1,050,000 in requested cuts have yet to be identified.

That underscores the magnitude of the problem this budget year.

Considering that the budget year is more than half over, the college would be left with

just \$260,391 (assuming the "best-case-scenario" of a \$1.8 million cut) to run the college from December through this June. There is not enough money in its current budget to meet a request to cut \$2.1 million without going into reserves.

Cuts for the budget year beginning in July are expected to be worse.

With that in mind, Dr. Lewis has asked managers to start discussions in their areas to consider different levels of cuts.

This initial step is designed to gain a better understanding of areas where cuts can be identified and to solicit cost-saving ideas from the campus community.

The semester's first "Meet the Pres." session on February 24 will also provide an opportunity

to discuss the budget.

It is the college's intent to use cost-saving measures and attrition to prevent reductions in the permanent work force.

These massive cuts come at a time when Cypress College is facing unprecedented inflationary pressures. The North Orange County Community College District will have to pay an additional \$3 million to the Public Employees Retirement System next year. Utility and medical costs are increasing at a 20% rate each, while Worker's Compensation is growing by 2%.

'Meet the Pres.'

This semester's first "Meet the Pres." session will be held at noon, on Monday, February 24, in Culinary Arts. It is an open forum providing the opportunity for dialog with Dr. Lewis on any topic of concern. It is also an ideal time to discuss the state's current budget crisis and its impact on the college.

Black History Month Speaker Shares Career Advice

Larry Thompson, Senior Vice-President, Xerox Corp., spoke on campus February 13 as part of Cypress College's Black History Month celebration.

Thompson, a native of Compton and an alumnus of the California Community College system, shared career and life strategies with students and staff.

"It doesn't matter where you're from," said Thompson. "What matters is where you go from there." @



CHARGERS

Cypress College speech professor **Dr. Donna Friess** has been elected to serve on the advisory board for the U.S. Office of Victims of Crime and its Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC TTAC).

The newly established advisory board will be officially recognized as the Consortium of Victim Assistance Experts. As such, the Consortium will represent the full spectrum of victim services from the perspectives of national, state, local, and “grassroots” organizations working to address the needs of un-served and underserved victims and communities.

“I am honored and pleased to be included,” said Friess. “My goal has always been to bring crimes against children to the public, and it’s wonderful that we now have a group which recognizes the need for greater services. It shows that while this administration is tough on crime, it also wants to do something for the victims.”

Included in her one-year appointment will be two trips to Washington, D.C., various speaking appearances, and specific child-victims subject matter contribution via conference calls and meetings.

STAFF TIPS

Retention Tip #4

Encourage students to share names and phone numbers with each other in order to have someone to call if they’re absent.

Local Citizen of the Year Americana Recipients

This year’s Americana awards, which will be held on February 22 at Disney’s Grand Californian Hotel in Anaheim, will again honor seven local citizens, in addition to Man and Woman of the Year Honorees Ed and Dixie Arnold and Distinguished Business Partners Anaheim Memorial, Los Alamitos, and West Anaheim medical centers. Tickets are still available through the Foundation at ext. 47126.

This year’s local honorees include citizens from each of the seven communities Cypress College serves, including Anaheim, Buena Park, Cypress, Garden Grove, La Palma, Los Alamitos and Stanton.

Bruno Serato, of the Anaheim White House restaurant, is the recipient of his community’s Citizen of the Year award. Serato’s is the quintessential American success story — he became an American citizen just two years ago — and he is grateful to those who supported him on his rise to the top. In turn, he is dedicated to serving the community.

Buena Park’s Jerry Sigler is his community’s Citizen of the Year in part due to his active volunteer work with the Buena Park Coordinating Council. For more than 20 years, he was in charge of helping low-income families make ends meet by providing food, clothing, and even holiday toys and cheer.

George Hallak, Cypress Citizen of the Year honoree, has also been

active with many different community groups. However, the service he is most proud of is his work with the Cypress Red Ribbon Committee. He is a founding member of the group, which visits all Cypress schools with the mission to spread the word about the dangers of illegal drug use.

In addition to running one of Orange County’s oldest family-owned food markets, Garden Grove Citizens of the Year Leo and Virginia Zlaket constantly take time out of their busy schedules to support many of their local community organizations such as the Anaheim and Garden Grove Chambers of Commerce, Coastline College’s Foundation, and the local chapter of the Boys and Girls club.

La Palma’s Lauralee Aragona was selected as her community’s Citizen of the Year for her years of fighting for citizens’ rights, whether through the local Little League organization or via her seat on the La Palma city council.

Entrepreneur David Dugan, Los Alamitos Citizen of the Year honoree, maintains leadership positions in several community organizations while continuing to run and expand his successful accounting firm.

Stanton Citizen of the Year, Mary Lara, started her volunteer career by organizing a handball court for neighborhood kids, and has since expanded her efforts through her job as Executive Director of the Stanton Chamber of Commerce. @

Scholarship Application Deadline Looming

The deadline for scholarship applications is right around the corner! All completed application packets must be submitted to the Financial Aid office by Monday, March 3.

In an effort to make the process even easier for students, scholarship applications are now also available on-line at CypressCollege.edu. @

Construction Corner: Bookstore Relocation Set



MEASURE X CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

To make room for the groundbreaking of the new student center, the Cypress College bookstore will relocate to the southeast corner of the Gym II building in early summer 2003.

While designers are currently taking measurements of the existing bookstore to estimate the approximate room needed for the temporary location, it is expected that the facility will fully take over the space presently occupied by wrestling and judo in Gym2-124. Once the transition to the temporary location is completed, the bookstore will resume its full operation of services.

BRIEFLY

Cypress College Associated Students group is hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, February 26, to benefit La Palma Intercommunity Hospital. The blood drive will run from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Tech Ed. II, Room 110. Please call Becky Rojas to schedule an appointment at ext. 47199. As an added incentive, donors will receive either a free t-shirt or a coupon for Baskin-Robbins ice cream.



Find out how your attitude in the workplace affects your fellow co-workers!

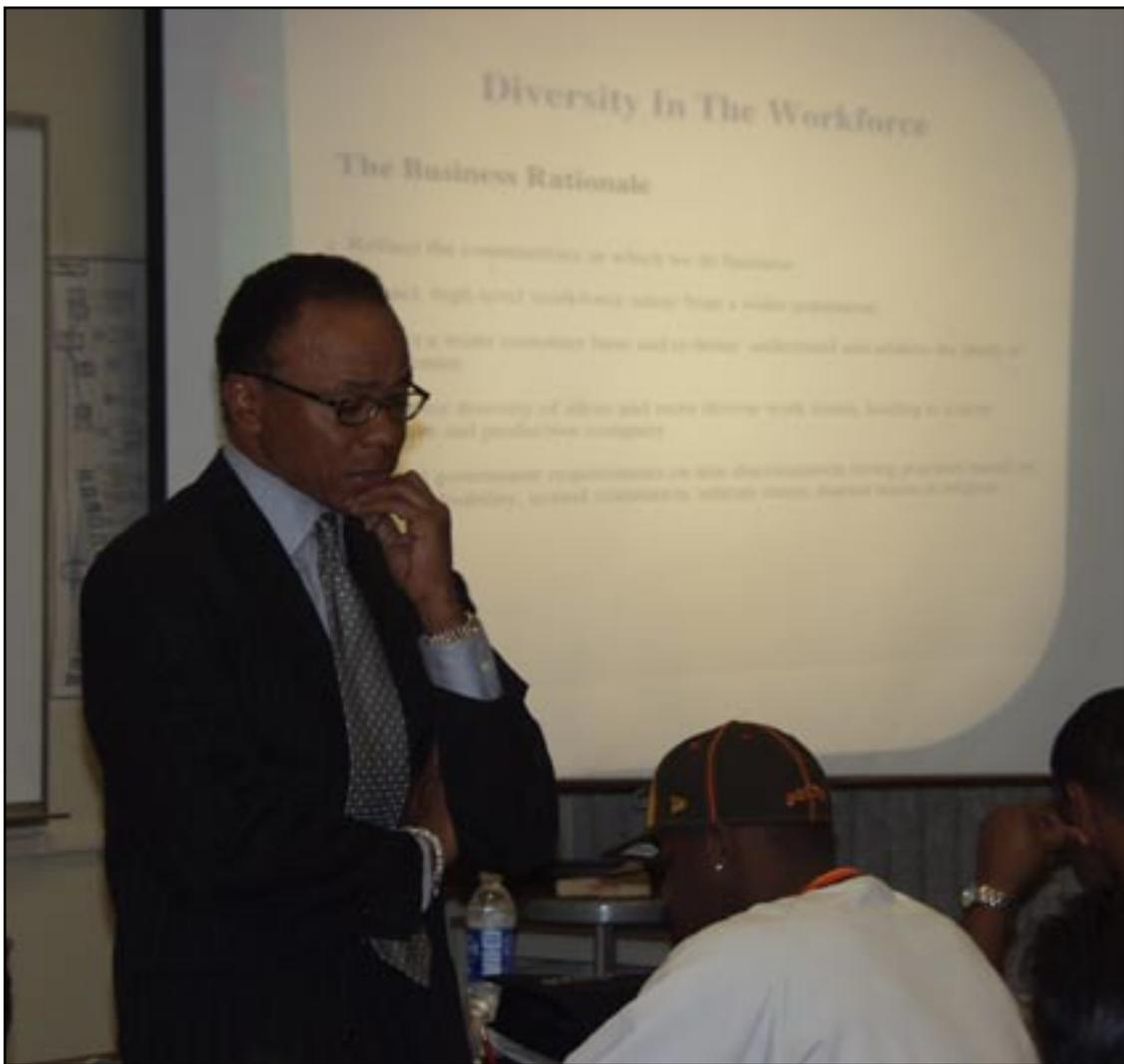
“Attitude in the Workplace” comes to Cypress College on Friday, February 21, in the Culinary Arts Dining Room. The free workshop is part of the year-long Customer Service Academy for classified staff, a collaboration of the Cypress College Staff Development office with the School of Continuing Education and Fullerton College Staff Development. Each topic will be repeated in two sessions (9 a.m.-noon).

SAVING TIPS

@Cypress received a suggestion from Academic Senate President-Elect Steve Gold to publish money-saving tips in this time of budget turmoil. Reader-submissions are appreciated.

Tip #1

“Did you know that colored paper costs half again as much as white paper?”



Xerox VP Speaks at Black History Month Event

Larry Thompson, Senior Vice-President at Xerox Corporation spoke Thursday to a group of students and staff at Cypress College.

The speech, part of Cypress's Black History Month Celebration, included a push from Thompson for students to go out and develop a passion for what they want to do in life.

"I'm from Compton and my voice is as strong in meetings as the CEO sitting next to me," Thompson said. "It doesn't matter where you're from; what matters is where you go from there."

Born and raised in Compton, Thompson attended Compton Community College and Los Angeles City College before finally landing at Cal-State Los Angeles. After graduating with a degree in marketing, Thompson was hired on as a sales representative with Xerox.

Now, more than twenty years later, he has worked his way up to Senior VP, overseeing all clients and services west of the Mississippi and a multi-million dollar budget. Thompson told audience members that he stayed with Xerox in part because of their strong commitment to diversity at the corporate level.

"Xerox has been committed to encouraging diversity in the workforce for over 30 years," Thompson said. "And they started doing it and continued doing it because the business rationale behind it made sense, not because it was a fad. Diversity in the workplace is a key driver of our success."

Thompson also encouraged students to question their prospective employers' commitment to diversity. Ask them for individual examples of who they have helped to succeed, he said.

Students also took the opportunity to ask Thompson some key questions regarding interview techniques, such as what attributes make a candidate stick out, and how essential degrees are when comparing potential candidates.

"When I look at a candidate, I don't necessarily judge them by what their particular degree is in, or even where the degree came from," Thompson said. "Instead what that degree tells me is that this person took the time to set and achieve an objective. They succeeded in the past and could therefore succeed in the future with my company."



Cypress College

Chair

Black History

Month Committee

MEMO

To: All District Employees

From: Kimberly A. Wise, Chair
Black History Month Committee

Date: January 23, 2003

Re: Black History Month – February 2003

February is approaching, and I want to personally invite everyone to take advantage of the wonderful activities planned for our 4th annual celebration. This year's theme "Remembering the Past, Embracing the Future" celebrates the contributions of African Americans to U.S. history and culture.

Our festivities will span from February 13 to February 27, 2003. Activities throughout the month include a Black Film Festival, the Lula Washington Dance Company, a reproduction of Stetson's "The Meeting: A Conversation between Martin and Malcolm," directed by Adeleane Hunter, General Gravett (retired), and Larry Thompson, Vice President of Xerox.

These speakers and performances benefit all ages and provide cultural awareness. Therefore bring your family, students and friends to be a part of a fabulous learning experience.

Enclosures

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FEBRUARY
Black History Awareness at Cypress College

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
2	3	4	5	6	7				
9	10	11	12	13	14				
		2:30 - 5:00 p.m. Film "Langston Hughes Harlem" Room H108		11:00 a.m. Location TBA Larry Thompson, VP, Xerox		HOLIDAY LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY			
16	17	18	19	20	21				
HOLIDAY PRESIDENTS' DAY		2:30 - 5:00 p.m. Film "Hurricane" Room H108	11:00 a.m. Campus Theatre Lula Washington Dance Co.	11:00 a.m. Campus Theatre Lobby General Gravett (Retired)					
23	24	25	26	27	28				
		2:30 - 5:00 p.m. Film "Rosewood" Room H108		11:00 a.m. Campus Theatre "The Meeting: A Meeting Between Martin and Malcolm"					

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Black History Month Events

Black Film Festival:

- **“Langston Hughes’ Harlem”**: This film is a documentary of Harlem during the Harlem Renaissance and its influence on the arts today in Harlem. The film will be shown in H108 on Tuesday, February 11, at 2:30 p.m.
- **“Hurricane”**: This film is a historical account of a boxer’s imprisonment and its impact on civil rights. The film will be shown in H108 on Tuesday, February 18, at 2:30 p.m.
- **“Rosewood”**: This film is a true story of an all Black town and their struggle with racism in the South. This film will be shown in H108 on Tuesday, February 25, at 2:30 p.m.

Larry Thompson is the Vice President of Xerox and will share with us his personal experiences in becoming successful in this industry. He is a role model and his lecture can motivate anyone aspiring toward a career. He will be speaking in on February 13 at 11:00 a.m. Location to be announced.

The Lula Washington Dance Theater (LWDT) is a highly successful dance troupe that celebrates Black history through dance and song. The LWDT will be performing “Reflections in Black” which is sure to engage attendees of all ages. The performance is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19, in the Campus Theater.

General Gravett is a retired Major General from the United States Army. General Gravett is the first African American National Guard Division Commanding General in the 360 year history of the National Guard. General Gravett has a tremendous history serving our country accomplishing many firsts along the way. Join me in welcoming him on Thursday, February 20, in the Campus Theater lobby at 11:00 a.m.

“The Meeting: A Conversation between Martin and Malcolm” places two extraordinary men together to discuss the complex issues of the past. The play takes place on Valentine’s Day one week before the assassination of Malcolm X and dramatically explores what may have occurred had the two men met to discuss ideology and purpose. This riveting presentation will occur on Thursday, February 27, in the Campus Theater at 11:00 a.m.



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Cypress College Foundation Honors Community Leaders with Americana Awards

Eight leaders from seven Orange County cities will be honored at the 28th annual Cypress College Foundation Americana Awards Banquet on February 22 at Disney's Grand Californian Hotel.

The event recognizes residents of the cities surrounding Cypress College who have made significant contributions to the community. In addition to the citizens of the year awards, the 2003 Americana Man and Woman of the Year award will be given to Ed and Dixie Arnold of Fountain Valley, along with Distinguished Business Partners Anaheim Memorial Medical Center, Los Alamitos Medical Center and West Anaheim Medical Center.

This year's Americana fund-raising event begins at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction and reception, followed by entertainment and dinner at 7 p.m. All proceeds directly benefit Cypress College students by providing individual scholarships and funding for programs not covered in the general budget.

Citizen of the Year honorees for 2003 include: Bruno Serato, noted philanthropist and owner of The Anaheim White House Restaurant in Anaheim; Jerry Sigler, former councilman and active member of the Buena Park community; George Hallak, dedicated Red Ribbon Week supporter and tireless Cypress volunteer; Leo and Virginia Zlaket, third-generation owners of 75-year-old Zlaket's Market in Garden Grove and longtime community supporters; Lauree Aragona, former La Palma councilwoman and volunteer dedicated to improving the city and its services; David Dugan, of Los Alamitos, an active

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community volunteer and owner of Dugan & Associates, CPA; and Mary Lara, founding member of the Stanton Youth Assistance Foundation and the Stanton Youth Outreach Program.

The Americana Awards Banquet was established in 1976 — America's Bicentennial. The patriotic theme has been used throughout the history of the event to honor area residents for their contributions to American culture and their communities.

Americana's executive committee is chaired by Walter K. Bowman. Sandra K. McCarthy and Isabelle Villaseñor serve as the chair-elect and honorary chair, respectively. The remaining executive committee members are: Raúl Alvarez, Mary Bouas, Darin Drabing, Margie Lewis, Keith Nelson, Bill O'Connell, Irv Pickler, Bill Ross, Johnnie Strohmeyer, Gail Taylor and Phil Wendel.

Tickets for the black-tie-optional gala are \$200 per person and \$2,000 per table, with Founders Tables available for \$3,000.

Cypress College, founded in 1966, is an accredited community college that serves more than 16,000 students each semester. The college offers 57 university-transfer majors, 73 career-certificate programs, and degrees in 45 areas of study.

For more information about the Americana Awards, call (714) 484-7126.

Cypress College is currently accepting applications for the Winter Intersession, beginning on January 2, and the Spring 2003 Semester, which starts on January 21.

Students who come to Cypress College "Go Places." For nearly a half-million people — including actors, athletes, doctors, executives, mechanics, nurses and teachers — Cypress College has been a springboard to their dreams. For some, Cypress College is the ticket into their university of choice and for others it provides essential training for a rewarding career. Just one Cypress College class is often all it takes to provide cutting-edge skills that lead to a promotion or a new job.

Cypress College's students and the highly qualified teaching faculty are proud of the many excellent academic and vocational programs. The college serves the cities of Anaheim, Buena Park, Cypress, Garden

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Grove, La Palma, Los Alamitos and Stanton. Located at 9200 Valley View Street in Cypress, the college is easily accessible from several Southern California freeways, including the 5, 91, 605, 22 and 405. The campus is just a stone's-throw from Downtown Disney and Knott's Berry Farm.

Cypress College's traditional semesters begin in January and August, while short-term courses start throughout the year. A Cypress College education costs just \$11 per unit, California's lowest tuition. Financial aid and scholarships also are available to qualifying students.

More information about Cypress College is available by calling (714) 484-7000 or by visiting the campus Web site at <http://CypressCollege.edu>.



**North Orange County Community College District
CYPRESS COLLEGE
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

****Scholarship Applications Now Available On-Line at www.cypresscollege.edu****

**Completed application packet must be submitted to
the Financial Aid Office by March 3, 2003**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Scholarship awards generally range from \$100 to \$500. To be considered for a scholarship, student must be enrolled for the spring semester of the current academic year with a **minimum of 12 units completed** and must have a minimum **Cypress College grade point average of 2.5**. Applicants must be residents of the state of California who will be enrolled at Cypress College in a minimum of 9 units next fall. Successful candidates will be notified in April and will be expected to participate in our Scholarship Awards Presentation in May. Most scholarship funds are held until fall enrollment is verified. **(One letter of recommendation, from a Cypress College Staff or faculty member on Cypress College letterhead, must accompany this application.)**

STUDENT INFORMATION - (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

Mark One: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Perm No: _____

Address: _____ S.S.#.: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone No.: _____

Email: _____

EDUCATION

Are you a high school graduate? Yes No If yes, name of school: _____

Other colleges attended (if any): _____ From: _____ To: _____

_____ From: _____ To: _____

Total Cypress College units completed to date: _____ Units in progress: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Major: _____ If RN, Psych Tech, Rad Tech, Dental Hygiene, or Mortuary Science majors,
have you been officially accepted? Yes No

Career Goal: _____

University to which you intend to transfer? _____ When? _____

Will you be returning to Cypress College in the fall? Yes No Number of units you expect to take: _____

Note: Only students attending the fall semester at Cypress College are eligible for a scholarship.

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List and explain all pertinent information relating to your participation in extracurricular activities, including any leadership roles during the year 2002. (Use an additional sheet of paper, if necessary.)

Cypress College Activities (student government, committees, clubs, intercollegiate athletics):

Community Activities (church, service clubs, volunteer work, etc.):

STUDENT'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Mark one: Single Married Divorced Separated Widowed

Do you reside with your parent(s)? Yes No (If yes, complete the box below.)

Are you dependent on them for any expenses?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
How many other dependent children live at home?	_____	
Father's employer:	_____	Monthly gross salary \$ _____
Mother's employer:	_____	Monthly gross salary \$ _____

Do you have dependent children? No Yes Ages: _____ Number in College: _____

Your employer: _____ Monthly gross salary \$ _____

Spouse's employer: _____ Monthly gross salary \$ _____

Other income (Soc. Sec., AFDC, Veteran benefits, Federal Pell Grants, BOGG, and/or EOPS Grants) \$ _____

Current College Financial Aid \$ _____

Describe any unusual circumstances that may affect you next year (Use an additional sheet of paper, if necessary):

How much will you be able to contribute toward your education from next summer's earnings? \$ _____

If you do not plan to work in the summer, please explain why: _____

List your employment **since June of last year:**

<u>EMPLOYER</u>	<u>JOB TITLE</u>	<u>DATES FROM/TO</u>	<u>HOURLY RATES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

APPLICANT'S STATEMENT

Please type why you wish to continue your education and why you believe you should be awarded a scholarship. Please indicate any special circumstances to be considered such as: extensive personal and family medical problems, reduction in family income, one-parent family. (Use one additional sheet of paper, if necessary, and double space your response).

RELEASE

I hereby authorize release of all the foregoing scholarship and transcript information to any organization or individual involved in the selection of scholarship recipients. I also give permission to release my name to the donor and newspapers for publicity purposes.

Signature of Applicant _____
Date

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Educational Excellence

Students and staff are proud of the many top-quality academic and vocational programs at Cypress College. Our students say Cypress College is a good place to build skills and connect with others. Many feel their confidence grow. Graduates say that after completing a program at Cypress College, they feel well prepared for their next step, whether that's a career or the university.

A Great Environment

Students often comment about the warm, personal and friendly experience at Cypress College. They say they feel safe at the college and enjoy the atmosphere. Students like that teachers remember their first names and say "hi" on campus. They also enjoy the casual environment, beautiful grounds and ample parking. And they rave about the relaxing duck pond.

Personal Attention

Cypress College classes are always taught by highly qualified faculty members. Students think their teachers are excellent and willing to go the extra mile for them. Faculty members like Cypress College because they love to teach. The result is personal attention and one-on-one interaction between students and their instructors. Many students say they came to Cypress College for that reason alone.

Value and Quality

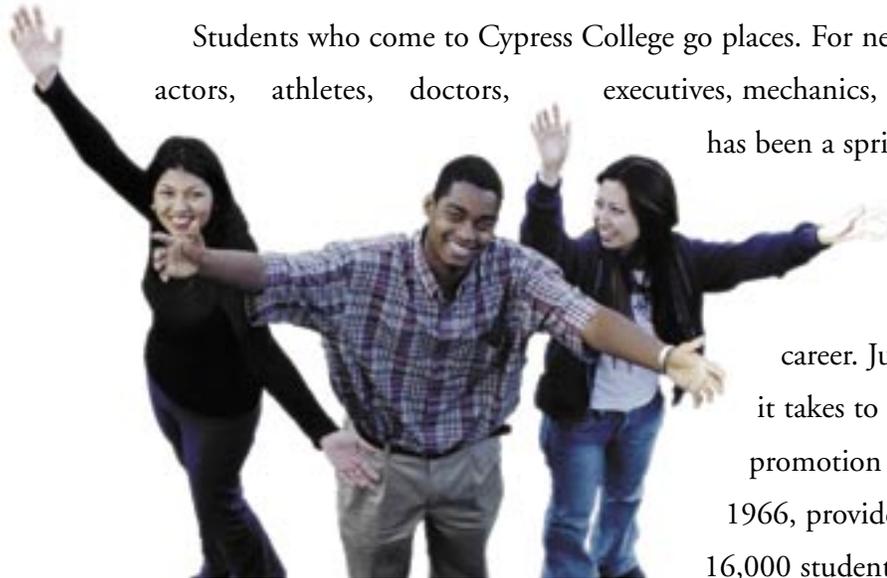
Ask a Cypress College student if they're getting a good deal and you're likely to hear this response: "My friends are paying a fortune for the same education." It's not only the exceptionally low cost of just \$11 per unit, either. Students say they know they're getting a top-quality education and transfer credits, too.

A Fun Experience

You can't quite call Cypress College a party school. At least not in an official publication. But students say they find lots of opportunity for involvement. The campus has a vibrant arts community and several top-notch athletic programs. Not to mention all the attractions — like Downtown Disney and Knott's Berry Farm — that are just a stone's-throw from the campus.

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More than 25% of Cypress College’s students are Latinos, 18% are Asian, 7% are Filipino, 5% are African American, 38% are Caucasian, and 7% are from other ethnicities or are unidentified. The college serves the Orange County cities of Anaheim, Buena Park, Cypress, Garden Grove, La Palma, Los Alamitos and Stanton, although residents of any city are welcome.

Cypress College is committed to promoting student success and contributing to intercultural understanding, in a student-centered learning environment. Offering 58 university-transfer majors, 107 career-certificate programs, and degrees in 46 areas of study, Cypress College has traditional semesters beginning in January and August, while short-term courses start throughout the year. A Cypress College education costs just \$11 per unit, California’s lowest tuition. Financial aid and scholarships also are available to qualifying students.

Cypress College, in sunny Southern California, is in the shadow of major tourist attractions such as Disney’s theme parks and Downtown Disney (about six miles), Knott’s Berry Farm (less than five miles), and The Block entertainment complex (about 10 miles). The campus is 12 miles from the beach and provides quick access to Long Beach and Los Angeles. Located at 9200 Valley View Street in Cypress, the college is easily accessible from several Southern California freeways, including the 5, 91, 605, 22 and 405.

The 110-acre Cypress College campus features a lake, park-like study areas and beautiful weather year-round.

