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## New program to target freshmen

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Recently, the first group of Freshman Academy students embarked on a journey designed to h success. The Freshman Academy is a new, one year long program offered to incoming freshmar English, math, and reading and includes an interview process. “The interview process was the 1 College Counselor Jo Ann Alford.

As a freshman coming into Saddleback College, discovering all the available aid programs one n That is why saddleback counselors are available to guide students into programs, such as, The F

“The program is designed to assist students in reaching their academic goal. Most students expr The program helps students to complete their first year of college with a solid base of academic : program and move on to the next level of study (university)” said Saddleback College Counselor

What are the advantages offered to students? The Freshman Academy program offers guidance and guaranteeing their enrollment in those classes through Early Bird registration, tutoring ses Counselors, faculty mentoring and academic counseling. Field trips to four year schools and oth through out the year, allowing students to feel a part of the college community.

Who qualifies for The Freshman Academy? Applicants are required to matriculate sufficiently to criteria, placement in English 300 or 340 for the English criteria, and Math 351 for the math cr

GPA of 2.0 and remain enrolled in all their classes through the duration of the semester. Screen Early Bird registration and students are notified by mail if they qualify for application.

“The program has the potential to make a real difference in students’ lives. With support and encouragement are provided a real opportunity for success.” said, English/journalism Instructor Carol Ziehm.

“I think it is helping them significantly. They might not realize it now. We are with them every day and they will realize how helpful it was.” Said Saddleback College Counselor Eric Garcia.