The Monday FYI

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Math 3AH
Freshman 101: Student Rights

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If You Have Priority Registration, Use It!

One way to make sure you don't forget: Log in to MySite, click "My Information," and then "Reminders."

This is a tool to send yourself an email for your registration time, drop dates, exams, or anything. Try it! https://mysite.socccd.edu.

Try logging in to MySite anyway, because if you have login problems you're going to miss that priority registration you've worked hard to earn. There's a login help link on the MySite page -- we hope you don't need it.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MATH 3AH: Honors Analytic Geometry and Calculus

The Class Schedule says Math 3AH is closed (full). It's not full; it's just restricted.
You need Prof. Evans's permission to enroll.

Once you have her permission, she will give you a special code that will enable you to register.

Contact her at nevans@saddleback.edu.

Keep one of these dates/times free
SADDLEBACK 101 FOR FRESHMEN:
Lecture #8: Student Rights You Rely On
But You Probably Don't Know About

You Have Catalog Rights

Suppose you've been working on a degree in English. Suppose the college changes its mind about what classes are necessary for that degree.

IS IT TIME TO PANIC YET?

No, because you have "catalog rights." From our 2014-15 catalog, page 30: "Establishing catalog rights protects the student from being held for additional requirements that may be added to a later catalog."

Especially at a community college, where students often have interrupted academic careers or have to spend at least some semesters part-time, catalog rights are crucial.

These rights are determined by the Academic Senate (i.e., by the faculty) at each school, so they differ from school to school. Also, they apply only to that school's policies. If Berkeley decides to change its English major or Cal Poly rewrites its general education requirements while you're at Saddleback,
you're out of luck . . . unless you know your rights under IGETC, CSU-GE, and the current articulation requirements. (Do you not know what any of that means? We don't expect you to, at least at the start, so that's why we require Certificate-Track Honors Students to meet with an Honors Counselor in the Transfer Center at least once per semester.)

Here's a question: What if you started your major in 2014, but the changes are better for you, and you'd rather use a later catalog? Can you do that? Read page 30 of the Introductory Section to find out. You can find the Catalog under "New & Continuing Students" on the Saddleback College home page.