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Saddleback College Student Success Scorecard Now Available

Mission Viejo, CA – On Tuesday, the California Community Colleges State Chancellor’s Office released the Student Success Scorecard that details student outcomes at Saddleback College and all 112 community colleges in the state. The scorecards give college-by-college statistics of student performance and were a major recommendation of the Student Success Task Force and the Student Success Act of 2012.

The Student Success Scorecard for Saddleback and all other California Community Colleges can be found at http://scorecard.cccco.edu/scorecard.aspx. Each college is compared against its own past performance rather than statewide averages or artificially created peer groups.

Development of the scorecard is one of a series of steps taken by the California Community Colleges Board of Governors to increase the number of students who earn certificates and degrees or transfer to four-year institutions. To see State Chancellor Brice W. Harris introduce the scorecard click here.

Dr. Tod A. Burnett, President of Saddleback College, stated, “Saddleback College welcomes the recommendations of the Student Success Task Force and is grateful of the work of our state chancellor’s office for their leadership in implementing those recommendations. While Saddleback College’s metrics shown on the Student Success Scorecard are quite positive, our goal is to continue to increase rates in persistence, completion, basic skills, and Career Technical Education. I look forward to working with our faculty, staff, and administrators to bring our college forward in advancing success for our students.”

Dr. Bob Cosgrove, Academic Senate President, stated, “Our Saddleback faculty recognize the importance of the evolving nature of the California Scorecard for community colleges and for Saddleback. As we witness changes over the next few years, we should see improvements in transfer and certificate training of students who attend our college. Transparency is high on the state’s goal of allowing students to choose colleges that are successful and who help students achieve their goals. Transparency is high on our list as well.”

Students, parents, community leaders and policy makers can use the scorecard to track the rate of students transferring to four-year institutions and completing certificates and degrees. The scorecard also measures how effectively colleges move students through basic skills and career technical instruction.
Information on the scorecard includes a college’s certificate and degree attainment, transfer rates, persistence rates and “momentum points,” such as the completion of 30 units, which is typically considered to be the halfway mark to transferring to a four-year institution as a junior or completing an associate degree.

Located in Mission Viejo, Saddleback College provides quality higher education and training to the greater south Orange County community. Having served more than 500,000 students since 1968, Saddleback College offers more than 300 degree and certificate programs to help students reach their personal, career, and educational goals. For more information, please visit www.saddleback.edu.

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