



MEDIA ADVISORY

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California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris to Hold Community Forums and Media Briefings April 9-10 on Release of Student Success Scorecard

- ❖ **Who/What:** California Community Colleges Chancellor [Brice W. Harris](#) and college and community leaders in Northern and Southern California will hold events and a teleconference to announce the first-of-its-kind accountability tool designed to measure student achievement and increase the number of students who earn certificates, degrees or transfer. The new online Student Success Scorecard will allow students, parents, and the public to track student outcomes at all 112 colleges, making California community colleges one of the most transparent systems of higher education in the country.

- ❖ **When/Where:**
 - Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.**
Northern California Community College Forum & Media Briefing led by Chancellor Harris
Diablo Valley College, Trophy Room
321 Golf Club Rd., Pleasant Hill, CA. 94523

 - Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 2:30 p.m.**
Conference Call with Higher Education Reporters
Phone: **888-539-3678** Passcode: **2146598**
Event Title: California Community Colleges Student Success Scorecard

 - Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.**
Southern California Community College Forum & Media Briefing led by Chancellor Harris
Los Angeles Pierce College, The Great Hall
6201 Winnetka Ave., Woodland Hills, CA. 91371

- Reporters are asked to RSVP for the community events and/or media briefing teleconference to communications@cccco.edu**

- ❖ **Why:** In an increasingly competitive economy, the strength of California depends upon the education and skills of our workforce. Studies show jobs requiring at least an associate degree are projected to grow twice as fast as those requiring no college experience and graduating from a community college doubles an individual's chance of finding a job compared to those who failed to complete high school. In order to increase college graduation rates and close achievement gaps, the California Community Colleges will launch an innovative accountability tool that will present key student success metrics in a clear and concise manner.

The [California Community Colleges](#) is the largest system of higher education in the nation. It is composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.4 million students per year.

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