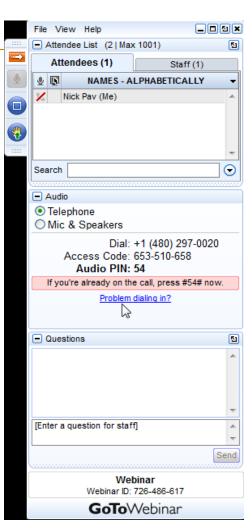


# FOSTER YOUTH COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SUPPORT

March 9, 2017

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### **Today's Presenters**

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# FOSTER YOUTH SUCCESS INITIATIVE FYSI

A partnership of the California Community College Chancellor's Office and the Foundation for California Community Colleges

#### Jessica Smith

Statewide FYSI Liaison Foundation for California Community Colleges



# FYSI Background & History

- In 2006, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) identified a statewide need for support of foster youth students on community college campuses throughout the state.
- As a result, the FYSI was built through a collaborative effort between the CCCCO, the Foundation for California Community Colleges, and various partners and stakeholders.
- Currently, the FYSI is implemented through FYSI Liaisons at each of the 113 community college campuses throughout the state.







FYSI Background & History

Chancellor's Office

Foundation for California Community Colleges

Walter S. Johnson Foundation

**Community College Campuses** 

John Burton Advocates for Youth

California College Pathways

California Student Aid Commission

California Department of Social Services

And many more...

FYSI Partners



Connecting foster youth to higher education is important because:

Significantly higher income and job stability

Lower incarceration rates Improved health outcomes

Higher levels of civic participation including volunteering and voting Improved academic achieve-ment of future generations

(College Board, 2004. The Benefits of Higher Education for Individuals and Society)



**FYSI Goals** 

#### FYSI aims to improve:

Access to student and academic support service and resources

Term-to-term retention rates

Academic performance

Completion of certificate and degree programs

Transfer rates to baccalaureate

(Herman, 1997. Trauma and Recovery)







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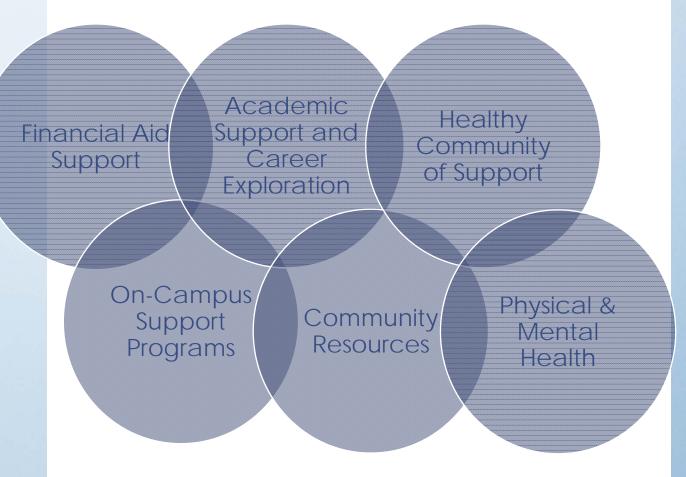
**FYSI Liaison Role** 

- Each of the 113 California community college campuses has at least one FYSI Liaison, some have 2 or 3 Liaisons in various departments – EOPS, Financial Aid, etc.
- The FYSI Liaison is the main point of contact for foster youth students
- The FYSI Liaison is specially trained to be considerate of and equipped for the unique needs of foster youth students





FYSI Liaison Role



# FOSTER YOUTH SUCCESS INITIATIVE FYSI



# Questions?

To find out more about FYSI or to find out who the FYSI Liaison is on a campus near you, please contact

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or visit

http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/StudentServices/ FosterYouthSuccessInitiatives.aspx



# Support Programs and Resources at California Community Colleges

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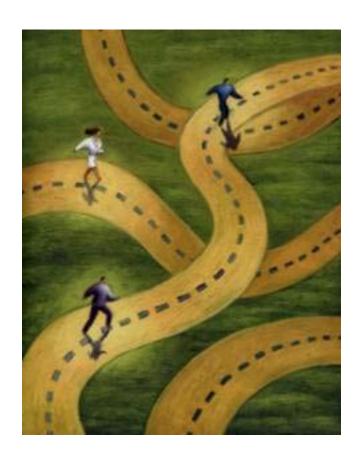
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# Access - Making Money vs School?

- Alternative routes
   Online classes
   Short term classes
   Pace program
   Open entry classes
- Non-credit skill building programs
- CTE training
- On campus employment



# **Start Matriculation Process Early**







### Priority Registration

Allows a student to register early so they can get into courses before they fill up

Supports scheduling work and study for timely completion

# Eligibility requirement for priority registration at community college and CSU's expanded with SB 906:

Effective January 1, 2017 eligibility requirement expanded from students who were in foster care on or after their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and under age 24 to foster youth who were in foster care on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday and under the age of 26.

Not all schools may be aware of the newly expanded eligibility requirement

#### **Start with Student Services**



### **Alphabet Soup Decoded**

#### **EOPS**

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services

- "Over and above" services to students with academic and financial need as mandated by the state
- Most current and former foster youth qualify

#### **CARE**

Cooperative Agencies and Resources for Education

 Single, head of household student with a child under age 14 who also utilizes CalWORKs/TANF funds as income assistance

#### Next Up (CAFYES)

Cooperative Agencies
Foster Youth Educational
Support Program

 Support education success, health and wellbeing of foster youth in California community colleges (26 colleges)

### EOPS / CARE / CAFYES (Next Up) Services

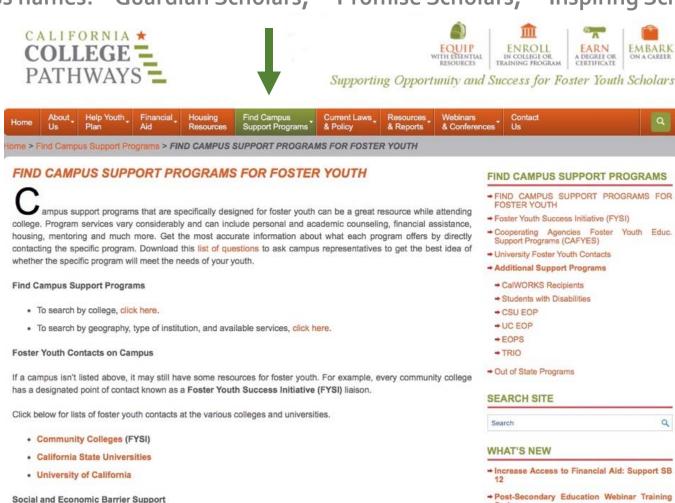
Academic and personal counseling; Emotional support Books & supplies Seminars & workshops Meal cards, bus passes, gas cards **Tutoring** Cultural events Agency and community referrals

# Foster Youth Campus Support Programs cacollegepathways.org

CAFYES - part of EOPS at 26 colleges (New name: "Next Up")

Or - Look for foster youth program

Various names: "Guardian Scholars," "Promise Scholars," "Inspiring Scholars"...



Series

# CalWORKs: California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids

Academic, Career and Personal Counseling, Tutorial Assistance

Pre- and Post-Employment Assistance

Work-Study Opportunities

Childcare Assistance Emergency
Transportation
Assistance

Community
Resource
Referrals

# DSPS: Disabled Student Programs and Services

Priority
consideration
for reduced
unit load
for fulltime status

Note-taking assistance

Special testtaking conditions: extra time, quiet environment

Interpreters

Assistive technology

# How will I pay for this?

Financial Aid: Pell Grant, Cal Grants, scholarships EOPS, CARE, (some programs offer need based grants)

CA Community Colleges Board of Governors (BOG) Fee Waiver Complete the FAFSA

Undocumented Complete AB540 DACA Affidavit + CA Dream Act application

Foster Youth
Programs:
CAFYES,
Guardian
Scholars, EOPS

# How will I pay for this?

#### Childcare

 Campus child development centers, CalWorks, CAFYES, CARE

#### **Transportation**

- College agreement with local transit agency
- Special programs may offer metro passes, gas cards

#### Food

 EOPS, CARE, CAFYES, Guardian Scholars, College Food Pantry, CalFresh (EOPS students exempt from work requirement)

# How will I pay for this?

# Work Opportunities

- Work study on-campus employment
- CalWorks work-study for students with children

#### Book Assistance

- EOPS, CalWorks, TRIO programs
- Foster youth programs: Guardian scholars, CAFYES
- Special academic programs: Learning communities, Freshman Academy

# How do I take care of myself?

College Health Center Physical and Mental Health services and referrals

Many foster youth qualify for Medicaid and may need help applying

**DSPS** 

Whether or not you believe you have a disability – can help with anxiety, PTSD

Special Programs

- Puente, Umoja, MESA;
- Foster youth programs: CAFYES, Guardian Scholars
  - Student clubs and organizations

### How will I succeed?

#### **DSPS**

Addressing disabilities supports academic success

# Academic Counseling

 Varies across campus: "First year experience," general counseling; specialty counselors - Guardian Scholars, CAFYES, EOPS

#### **Faculty**

• Go to office hours, make appointments

• Shows interest and commitment

#### **Tutoring**

 Varying types: Individual, group, embedded, separate

#### Mentoring

Don't wait until having difficulty

### How will I succeed?



# Foster Youth Support Programs and Resources at Cal State

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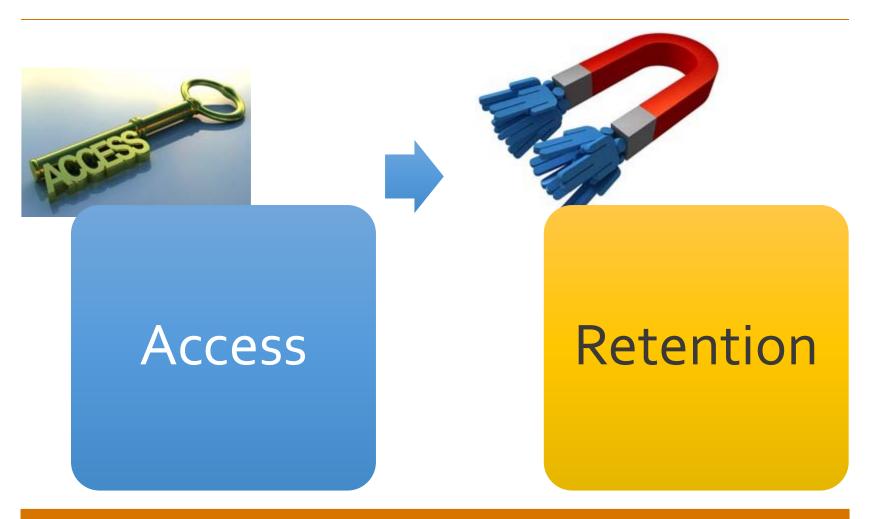
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## Two Aspects to Think About



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## Step 1: Foster Youth Support Program



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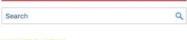
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#### SEARCH SITE



#### WHAT'S NEW

- → Increase Access to Financial Aid: Support SB
- → Post-Secondary Education Webinar Training

# Step 2: CSU Mentor Application - EOP

Note: In 2018, "CSU Mentor" will become "CSU Apply"

**CSU**MENTOR

SEARCH:

HOME

EXPLORE CAMPUSES

COLLEGE PLANNING FINANCIAL AID

TESTING

> APPLY

HELP

GRADUATE APP INTERNATIONAL APP FILING STATUS REPORT

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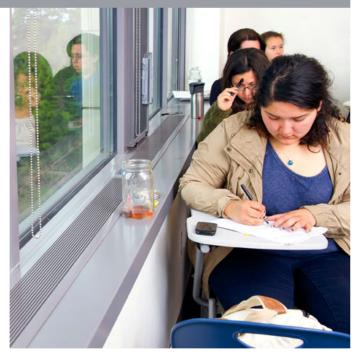
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#### **APPLY**

Must apply to **EOP** when applying to the University

- > Applying to multiple campuses is easy as 1, 2, 3! Click here for more details.
- > Undergraduate Admission Applications Apply online (i.e., Graduating High School entering as First-Time Freshman, Transfer from Community College)
- Click here to view help tutorial for the online application
- > Graduate Admission Applications Apply online (For Master's, Postbaccalaureate, Doctorate, Credential and Certificate Programs)
- > International Admission Applications (Undergraduate and Graduate) -Apply online
- > Application Filing Status Report Find out which campuses are accepting applications
- > ACT Scores Manager Release eligible ACT scores to CSU campuses
- > FAFSA on the Web Transfer your information to the FAFSA
- > CalStateTEACH Application Online Teacher Credential Program
- Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) California Residents and nonresidents who qualify for an AB540 nonresident tuition exemption -Apply online! Note: You MUST submit an undergraduate application BEFORE you can apply for EOP!





# EOP: Educational Opportunity Program

Supports for economically disadvantaged Academic Admission students counseling assistance & advising Financial Summer Bridge assistance

## Step 2: Application Fee Waiver

http://www.csumentor.edu/applications/csu/fee\_waiver/2016/fee\_waiver\_form.pdf

Waives \$55 application fee

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# **Step 3: Financial Aid**



Apply early - October 1 - March 2

Self-report foster care experience!

Complete documentation early

Apply for Chafee Grant
eligibility doesn't guarantee award



# Foster youth are not <u>guaranteed</u> "free school" at 4-year universities

(Loans may be part of a financial aid package)





### Housing resources and procedures vary across campuses

### Work with the foster youth program

- Priority Housing (established by AB 1393 in 2009) how administered varies by campus
- Deposits: Some campuses defer until financial aid disbursed
- Year-round availability (holidays and summer) varies by campus

### *New law for CSU*:

Where housing is open during semester breaks, they must provide to foster youth at no additional charge

o Summer not covered

## **Step 5: Priority Registration**



Eligibility based on age-in-care; varies by campus

Connect with Foster Youth Program – Get informed about your campus

Advocate for your priority

Watch out for priority registration dates

Foster Youth Campus Support

**Programs** 



Campus advocate

one stop center Resources specific to foster youth

financial, partnerships

### Community

connect with others with similar experience; share resources, feel normal Services
specific to
foster
youth
cash to fill
the gaps

### Various names:

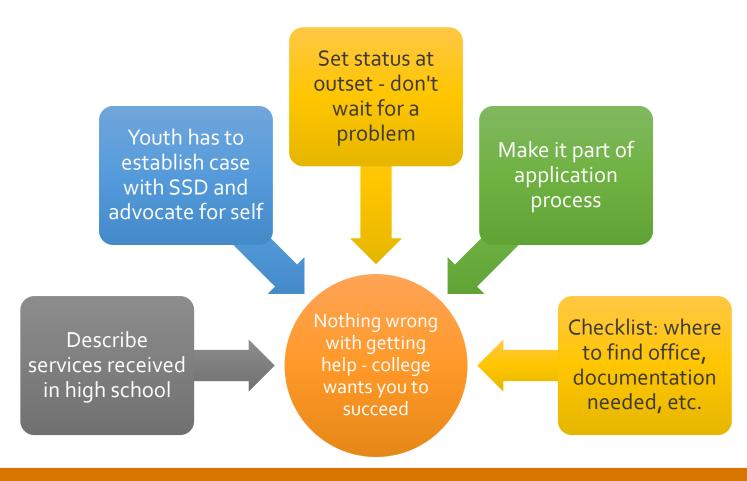
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## **Academic Advising**

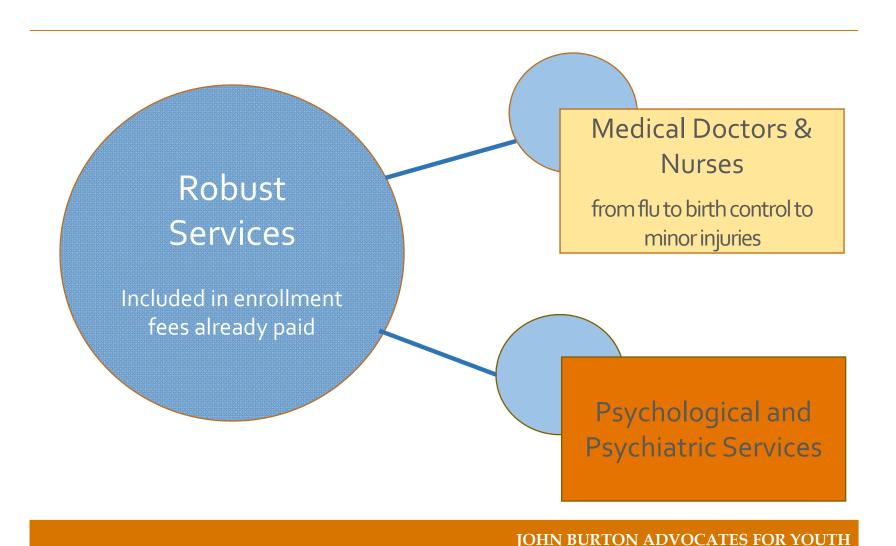


# Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD)



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## Health and Psychological Services



# Counseling and Psychological Services

Foster youth programs have liaisons in counseling programs

Helps ensure that youth can see counselor knowledge-able about foster youth

Ensure that youth can see the same person consistently

# University of California Foster Youth Support



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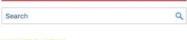
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## University of California Special Services

Most campuses have an EOP or similar support program

All campuses provide services for students with disabilities

All campuses offer robust health services

# UC Special Foster Youth Support Can Vary by Campus

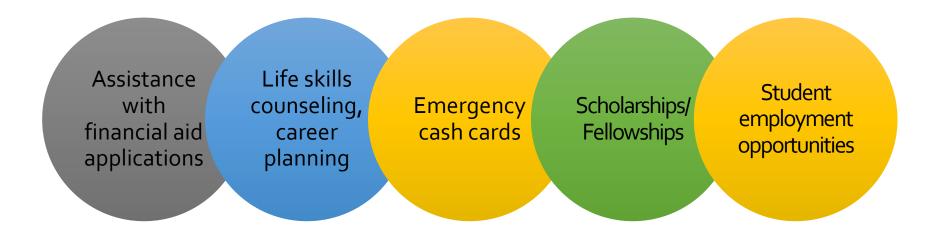
Application Fee Waiver: \$70 for up to four campuses

Priority registration

Priority housing and housing during semester breaks at no extra cost

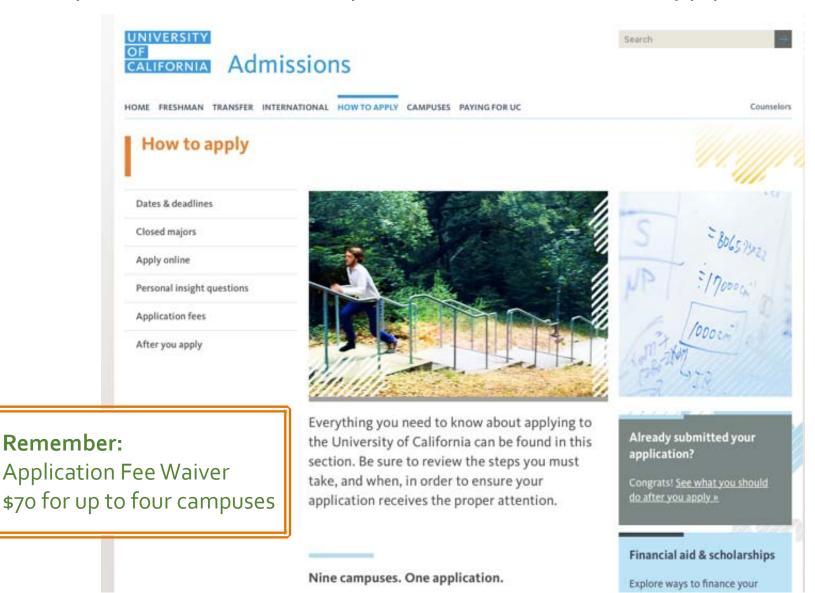
## **UC Foster Youth Support**

Services vary by campus - may include:



## **UC Application**

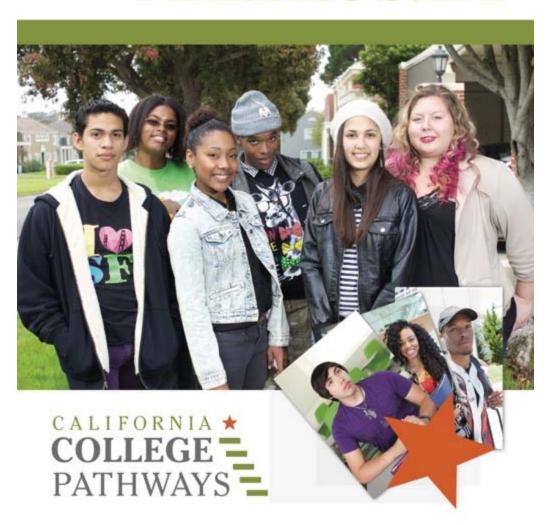
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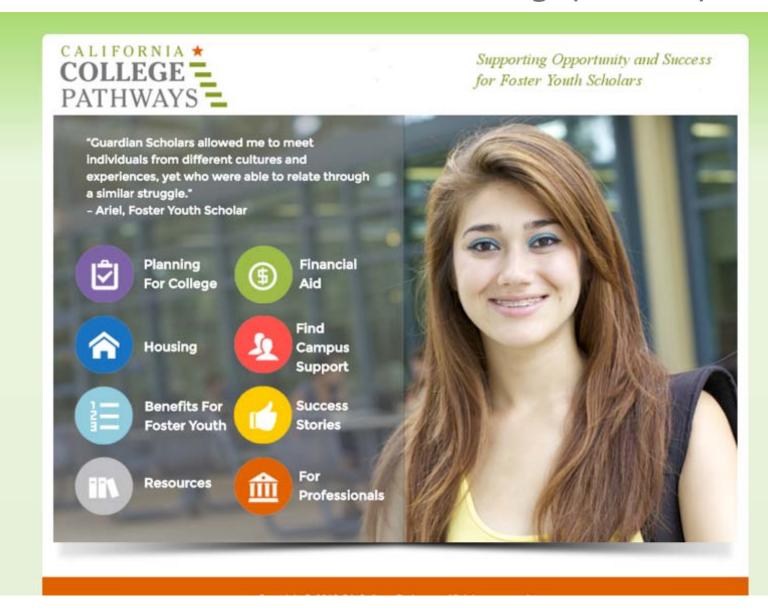
### Resources

FOSTER YOUTH

# EDUCATIONAL \* PLANNING GUIDE



## Resources: www.student.cacollegepathways.org



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- California College Pathways Student Website http://www.student.cacollegepathways.org/
- CCP Educational Planning Guide http://www.student.cacollegepathways.org/resources/resources-planning-for-college/
- Free Application for Federal Financial Aid https://fafsa.ed.gov
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- California Community College Application http://home.cccapply.org
- California State University Application http://www.csumentor.edu
- University of California Application https://admissions.universityofcalifornia.edu/

## **Upcoming JBAY Web Seminars**

- April 13, 2017: Foster Youth & Financial Aid, Part II: After the FAFSA
- May 11th: Career Technical Education & Other Budding Programs

Register for these webinars on the John Burton Advocates for Youth website: <a href="http://www.jbaforyouth.org/upcoming-events-trainings/">http://www.jbaforyouth.org/upcoming-events-trainings/</a>

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## **Question & Answer**

CLICK ON THE "QUESTIONS" PANEL, TYPE IT AND HIT "SEND"