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DO YOU HAVE A DESIRE TO BETTER YOURSELF? ARE YOU DETERMINED TO SUCCEED?

Whether you start with a high school diplo-ma, a high school equivalency certificate, or take the High School Equivalency Test, the prize is still the same—a college degree.

The Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) program at County College of Morris can help. Even if you face exhausting demands as a single parent, or the strain of being first in your family to attend college, or are feel-ing overwhelmed by family demands, or full-time work, or are struggling with finan-cial burdens,



or experiencing devastating personal issues, or have weak educational preparation for college success—but have the motivation—the EOF program will provide a network to help manage these transitional issues between home, work and school—and help financially, as well.

The EOF program and its caring staff work in your best interests at all times to provide you with:

- **ACADEMIC SUPPORT** through tutorial arrangements, academic progress reviews with your professors, and computerized learning tools.
- ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT in regular meetings with an assigned EOF counselor throughout your college experience to help you plan, schedule and register for your courses and follow a well-defined plan toward receipt of your degree.
- FINANCIAL SUPPORT through the EOF grant which supplements your State Tuition Aid Grant (TAG).
- **COUNSELING SUPPORT** with your assigned EOF counselor.
- PERSONAL & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT opportunities through meaningful workshops as well as opportunities to participate in statewide EOF conferences and symposia.
- **PRE-FRESHMEN ORIENTATION** through an 8-day summer program designed to prepare you for entering college in the Fall equipped with the skills, motivation and savvy that will provide a smooth transition to college life.

THE EOF SCHOLAR SUCCESS MODEL



The partnership you form through the EOF Success Model with your professors, EOF staff, and campus personnel:

Academic Support
(All academic majors)

- Academic Advisement
- One-on-One Counseling
- Personal and Leadership Development Workshops
 and Activities
- Network Building
- Financial Allowance Supplement
- Campus Family —
 Extension of Family

EOF SCHOLAR SUCCESS STORIES



Students come to the EOF program laden with pressures from family obligations, and educational and financial challenges. Together we can work it all out:

 Carmen T., who entered the nursing career field upon graduating CCM:
 "If it hadn't been for the

EOF staff, I know I would have dropped out long ago from the pressures."

- **Deborah D.**, who proudly marched with her graduating class: "Without the support and caring of the EOF staff, I doubt that I'd be standing here accepting this award tonight."
- Carlos C., having received his doctorate (PhD)
 in Biomedical Engineering from Rutgers: "You
 are family to me and will always be. Thanks
 for all you did to help me succeed."

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR EOF AT CCM? ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS



To apply to EOF at County College of Morris you must:

- Be a resident of NJ for at least 1 year
- Complete a County College of Morris Admission Application
- Take placement test
- Complete the Financial Aid application (FAFSA www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Complete the NJ Alternative Financial Aid application (FOR NJ DREAMERS ONLY www.hesaa.org)
- Complete an EOF application
- Schedule an EOF interview
- Attend County College of Morris full time-12 credits

WHAT DOES EOF EXPECT OF ME?



A signed contract commitment to active and consistent participation in the program insures:

- All EOF students are required to meet with their counselor twice each month (freshmen must meet week-ly) to discuss academic prog-ress and/or issues affecting their educational success.
- Attend tutoring sessions as required
- Attend scheduled workshops and activities
- Complete community service requirement by volunteering on campus or in the community.
- Maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in your academic studies

THE SUMMER ORIENTATION PROGRAM

The program offers First Time students an opportunity to get a head start on their college career, as well as building cohesion among participants, students participate in an intensive and structured program, along with seminars, and activities that promote academic and personal success:



- Personal awareness through student assessment
- Academic enrichment seminars in reading, writing, math and science
- Campus orientation
- Social Versatility and Networking Development
- Advisement and Registration
- Field Trip Experience
- Stipend (Funding provided upon completion of orien-tation to help defray cost of attendance expenses)

EOF SERVICES

- SUMMER PROGRAM Please view "The Summer Orientation Program" heading.
- ONE-ON-ONE COUNSELING All EOF students are required to meet with their counselor at least twice each month to discuss academic progress and/or issues affecting their educational success.
- TUTORIAL SERVICES All students enrolled in developmental classes are required to attend tutoring sessions at the Tutoring Center: Writing, Math & Science, a minimum of once per week or as required by course instructor. In addition, one-on-one tutoring in other subjects, group tutoring, and academic workshops are available to EOF students at the Tutoring Center to help enhance and support their academic experience.
- CAREER SERVICES There are many opportunities for EOF students to explore various careers through computerized evaluation programs, workshops, and EOF/campus sponsored activities.
- **GRADUATE TRANSFER ADVISEMENT** Transfer advisement is provided for all students preparing for graduation. It eases the transition from the associate to the baccalaureate degree level. Over 60% of EOF students who graduate from CCM continue their education at four-year institutions. Students who transfer from the CCM EOF program qualify to transfer their EOF status for continuation of services for the remain-der of their undergraduate and graduate education.
- **PROFESSIONAL MENTORING** Second year EOF students can connect with a professional mentor, who will provide careering guidance, help students explore potential careers and to become more professionally ready.
- FINANCIAL AID SUPPLEMENT A Grant is awarded to help further defray the costs of a college education. It assists with making attending college more affordable.