Dear Colleagues,

This email contains the 2014-15 Noncredit Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) allocations (attached), with references to information on the allowable use of funds and match requirements.

**2014-15 State Budget and Noncredit SSSP Funding:** The 2014-15 State Budget includes $9,381,000 for allocation to colleges to fund Noncredit SSSP services. The 2014-15 allocations were generated by the formula in effect for 2013-14 and historically for the Noncredit Matriculation program, based solely on the 2013-14 weighted Noncredit student headcount. Noncredit SSSP funds are available to all colleges and districts that submitted a Certification for 2014-2015 Noncredit Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) Funding. The Chancellor’s Office has convened a workgroup to develop a new Noncredit SSSP plan, budget and funding formula. Additional information about those new developments will be forthcoming.

**Noncredit Advance Apportionment vs. Allocations:** Please note that, while the Chancellor’s Office made an effort to increase the 2014-15 Noncredit SSSP funding and provided districts with 125 percent of their 2013-14 allocation in the 2014-15 Advance Apportionment, this effort was not successful. Therefore, the total amount available for noncredit programs statewide remains at $9,381,000, and colleges are likely to see a decrease in their allocation from the amount included in the Advance Apportionment. However, colleges and districts have the authority to move Credit SSSP funds to support Noncredit services.

**Allowable Use of Noncredit SSSP Funds:** Colleges receive an allocation of Noncredit SSSP funds for the sole purpose of providing core services to students enrolled in the following noncredit program categories: Elementary and Secondary Basic Skills, English as a Second Language, Courses for Persons with Substantial Disabilities, Citizenship for Immigrants, Parenting, and Short-Term Vocational. Please refer to the Data Elements Dictionary under Course Data Elements (CB 22) for descriptions of these programs.

Core services that may be funded include orientation; assessment; counseling, advising, and other education planning services; and follow-up interventions for at-risk students (defined as noncredit students who are enrolled in basic skills courses or who have not identified an education goal and course of study).

Noncredit SSSP funds are provided to supplement district expenditures for student support and may
not supplant or take the place of other resources. Colleges have the ability to move specific expenditures among funding sources as long as the net effect is an increase in allowable expenditures equal to the college's allocation and a comparable increase in the expenditure of matching funds. Please refer to the SSSP Handbook, which contains the Funding Guidelines and title 5 regulations. These documents include definitions and specific guidance on allowable and prohibited expenditures.

**Match Requirements:** Colleges are required to spend one dollar of district funds for every one dollar of Noncredit SSSP funds to meet the match requirement in support of the Noncredit SSSP.

Please direct questions regarding the allocations to one of the following:

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You can also feel free to contact me directly.

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