

**Palomar Promise
&
Promise +**

**Parent/Guardian Presentation
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PALOMAR PROMISE



What is the Palomar Promise?

A comprehensive student success program through Palomar College that is seeking to increase the college-going rate of local high school graduates. The Palomar Promise is a package of free financial resources and academic support services.

In other words, the Palomar Promise is ONE
YEAR FREE at Palomar College for our
graduating seniors.

What benefits will my student receive with the Palomar Promise?

- ★ One-year of free course enrollment and related registration fees at Palomar College using a combination of possible state, federal and local funding resources
- ★ Up to \$700 in text book assistance during the first year of enrollment
- ★ Specialized academic and career planning with related support services provided by the First Year Experience (FYE) program
- ★ Priority enrollment during first year at Palomar College
- ★ Guaranteed Admission to CSU San Marcos if students meet transfer eligibility requirements

How does my student become eligible?

- ★ Graduate in June
- ★ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act application
- ★ Students who don't complete application for Federal or State Aid will not qualify for the Palomar Promise Program
- ★ Enroll full-time (a minimum of 12 units) at Palomar College within one year of high school graduation
- ★ Agree to participate in the FYE program and agree to follow the FYE Student Success Agreement

How does my student apply to join the Palomar Promise?

- ★ Complete the Palomar College admissions application
- ★ Complete the FYE/Promise application
- ★ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act application
- ★ The priority application **deadline to join the Palomar Promise is March 2, 2018.**

Palomar Promise +



What is the Palomar Promise +?

Beginning in the Fall of 2018, eligible graduates of San Marcos Unified School District (SMUSD) will be able to attend Palomar College full-time and tuition-free for up to two years while pursuing an associate's degree, transfer requirements, and/or a certificate program leading to job placement and a promising career.

In other words, the Palomar Promise + is **A**
SECOND YEAR FREE at Palomar College for our
graduating Seniors who qualify.

What does my student get as a Palomar Promise + student?

- ★ Palomar Promise + scholars will receive up to \$600/semester or \$1,200/year in tuition assistance in their second year attending Palomar College if all maintaining eligibility requirements are met.

These awards are only available to 2018 high school graduates of SMUSD.

How does my student qualify for the Palomar Promise + program?

Prior to graduation students must:

1. Graduate from SMUSD with a minimum 2.5 overall GPA **AND** place into transferable level Math, English and Reading per the Palomar College placement process. [1]
2. Complete the Federal Application for Free Student Aid (FAFSA) or the California Dream Act application by the federal deadlines each school year. (March 2nd)

How does my student qualify for the Palomar Promise + program?

Prior to graduation students must:

3. Complete TSMP Scholar application <http://thesanmarcospromise.org/>
4. Complete EVERFI financial literacy online course

How does my student maintain eligibility for the Palomar Promise + program?

To maintain eligibility students must:

1. Maintain full-time status, a 2.5 overall GPA and be continuously enrolled as a Palomar student to receive funding each semester.
2. Complete the FAFSA or California Dream Act application by the federal deadline each year
3. Complete a minimum of 20 volunteer hours per academic year to represent as a Palomar Promise Scholar with either The San Marcos Promise (TSMP), SMUSD, Palomar College and/or community events as communicated through TSMP staff.

Transfer to CSUSM

Upon successful completion of all CSU transfer requirements within three years from the time of graduation, students transferring to CSU San Marcos may apply to the San Marcos Promise to receive the PACE Promise Scholarship, a total value of \$2,000 over two years.

Application Process



How to Apply to the Palomar Promise



Step 1: Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act application

Step 2: Complete the Palomar College Admissions Application

Step 3: Complete the First Year Experience/Promise Application within the students' e-services account

Step 4: Agree to the terms of the FYE Student Success Agreement

Palomar Promise UPDATES:

Important Information will be sent out to Promise students from the Financial Aid Office via official Palomar College email account:

- Official Notification if awarded Promise+
- Reminder to enroll in a MINIMUM of 12.0 units by **June 21, 2018**
- Reminder to complete your Financial Aid "To-Do List" by **June 21, 2018**

**More information regarding PARKING and TEXTBOOKS will be available in mid-July

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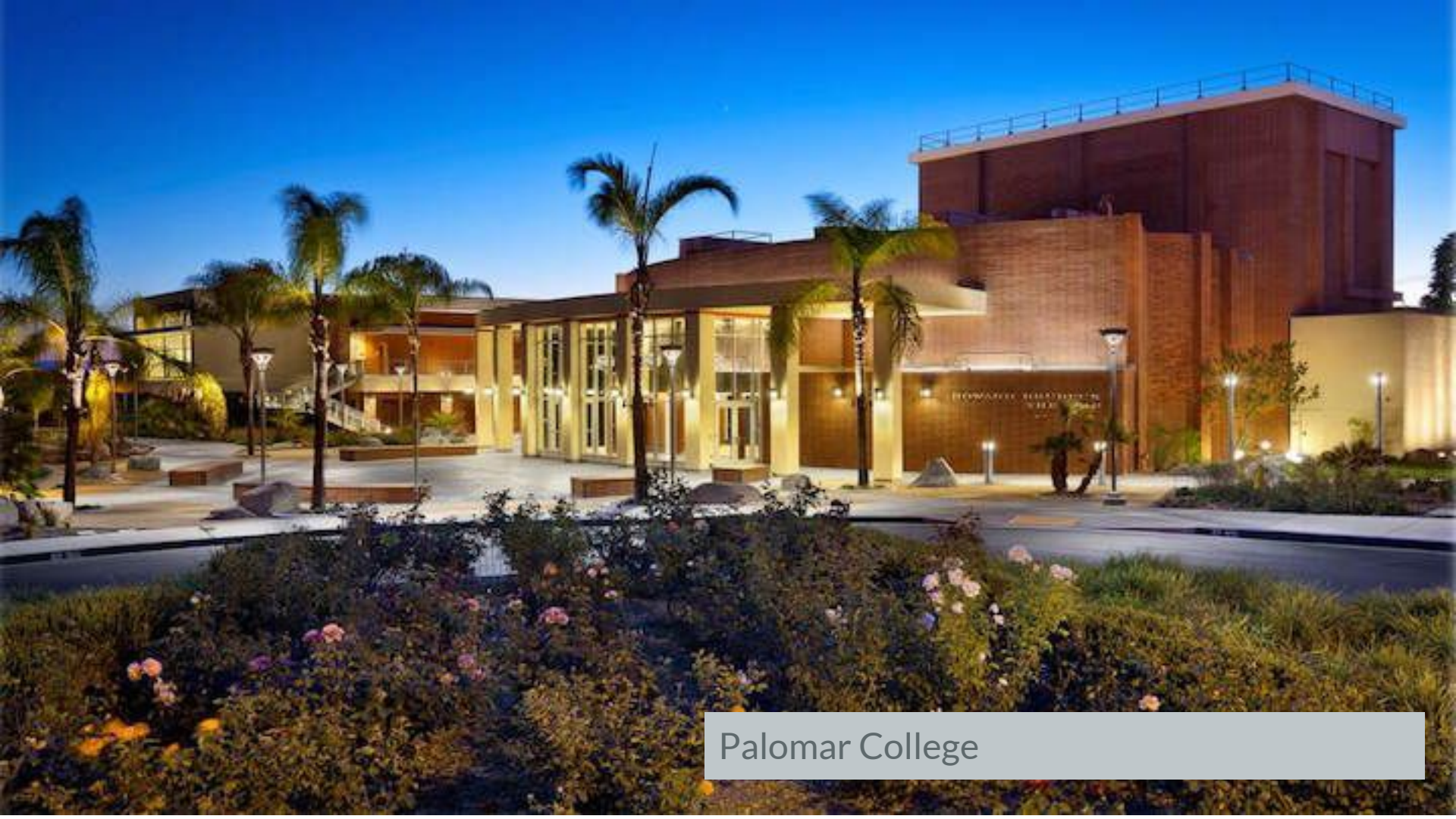
Palomar Pathways



Palomar Pathways Monthly Workshops

We offer monthly workshops to all seniors who are interested in Palomar College. Students can register for each workshop online.

<https://sites.google.com/smUSD.org/palomarpathways>



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