



SAN JUAN COLLEGE
Office of the President

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Dear Parents:

You can make the dream of attending college come true for your child!

As a parent, I know you share with me a common goal -- that of ensuring that our children will have the advantages of a college education. This goal is difficult in today's shifting economy, but our children's employment potential depends on the level of education they achieve. This is why I am sharing with parents of all eighth graders in San Juan County the Possible Dream Scholarship Program at San Juan College.

For the past 20+ years, the Possible Dream Program has made the difference in the ability to attend college for almost 4,000 county students. It can make a difference for you, too. Here is how it works:

- Beginning this spring, you may enroll your eighth grader in the Possible Dream Scholarship Program and pay just \$25 per month for the next 50 months while your child is in middle school and senior high school. A one-time fee of \$10 is due upon enrollment. (Note: These payments are not tax deductible.)
- After completion of high school, your child will be guaranteed four full-time semesters prepaid at San Juan College. Your savings will pay for three semesters, and a Possible Dream General Scholarship from the San Juan College Foundation will pay for the fourth semester. Your child must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 during his/her first three semesters at SJC in order to receive the Possible Dream General Scholarship.
- In the event that your child goes to another school or withdraws from the program, you will receive a refund of any monies you paid into the account, minus a \$50 service fee, but will forfeit the Possible Dream Scholarship.

Current studies indicate academic preparation in high school leads to success in college. High school students who complete four years of math, science and language arts are better prepared to make the transition to college. As a parent, make certain your child is taking a high school curriculum that promotes college success.

I urge you to enroll your child now in the Possible Dream Scholarship Program. Just complete and return the enrollment form, the \$10 enrollment fee and the first \$25 payment in the enclosed envelope. Your child will be enrolled in the program, and we will send you a payment booklet for the remaining monthly payments. The deadline to enroll your child is April 3, 2009. Make this the beginning of your dream of higher education for your child.

If you have questions, please contact Christine Young at (505) 566-3318.

With best wishes!

Sincerely,

Carol J. Spencer, Ph.D.