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## **PCC First gives high school seniors early chance to register for fall classes**

**PUEBLO** – Graduating high school seniors are being treated like royalty this month at Pueblo Community College. On two exclusively dedicated days in April, seniors who are planning to attend PCC in the fall 2010 semester will be given priority status to register for the specific classes they want.

The vehicles driving this opportunity are “PCC First” days, and the College has scheduled two of them. The first will be on Tuesday, April 13, when graduating students from Centennial, East, Pueblo County, Southern Colorado Early College and the High School Diploma Program will have an exclusive day on the Pueblo campus. Then on Thursday, April 15, seniors from Central, South, Pueblo West, Rye, Dolores Huerta Preparatory and the Goal Academy will have priority status. Both will be held in PCC’s College Center.

High school seniors planning to attend PCC are urged to sign up for one of the “PCC First” days in their respective high schools’ counselor office. While there, they will be able to take care of a number of paperwork items, namely their PCC application, COF and FAFSA forms.

At the PCC First sessions, PCC will have its entire advising and financial aid staff available to assist those high school seniors. At the sessions, the students will be able to talk to an advisor, register for classes, receive their photo ID card and even receive a “welcome gift” before returning to their home school when finished at PCC.

“This day provides seniors a chance to get the quality, one-on-one service we pride ourselves on,” said Carriann Martinez, Director of Recruitment and organizer of the days’ events. “Students will leave as a PCC student and ready for the fall semester, leaving them the summer to enjoy.”

The PCC First programs also will include financial aid presentations exclusively for the PCC First session attendees every hour between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the College Center’s Barb Fortino Room.

High school seniors needing more information about PCC First should contact the PCC Student Ambassador in their counselor office. Parents wanting information can call PCC's Office of Recruitment at 549-3116.

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