## \*ATTENTION\*

All CalWORKs participants attending school!

New laws allow more flexibility for college students participating in our program.

## Changes for Parents Attending Publicly Funded Colleges

- Advanced Standard Payment Participants can receive between \$175 and \$500 in advanced payments for books and college supplies before the beginning of each school session.
- Increased Allowable Study Time You can get up to 3 hours of study time for every 1 unit or hour of your classroom time. For example, if you take a 3-unit class, your Employment Counselor will count 12 study time hours a week towards your required hourly participation.
- Participation Requirement Changes The job search or job club activity is no longer required if you go to college and meet your hourly WTW requirement.
- Class flexibility You have more flexibility in the classes or major you want. Your Employment Counselor will advise you on the ideal courses to take.

New Law

A new law (Senate Bill 1232) made some changes in the Welfare-to-Work (WTW) program for CalWORKs parents going to publicly funded colleges, also known as community colleges and state universities. These changes were made to encourage and help CalWORKs parents to go to college for their WTW activity.

## How to Get More Information

If you want more detailed information or have any questions about this notice, please get in touch with your assigned Employment Counselor or your local office listed below:

Thomas L. Berkley Self-Sufficiency Center (N. Oakland) - 510-891-0700 Eastmont Self-Sufficiency Center - 510-577-7067 Eden Area Multi-Service Center (Hayward) – 510-670-6225 Enterprise Self-Sufficiency Center - 510-639-1090

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