Rights and Responsibilities of Financial Aid Recipients

Students at College of the Sequoias who are applying for and receiving financial aid have the right to the following:

- Information on all federal, state, and institutional financial aid programs and assistance available.
- Application deadlines for each financial aid program and for any accompanying documentation.
- Information on how financial aid is distributed and how a financial aid package is determined.
- Information on when and how financial aid will be disbursed.
- Information regarding fees, tuition, and the refund policy for those who withdraw from school.
- Privacy and Confidentiality. All records and information provided with your application are confidential and subject to legal requirements concerning disclosure of such information.
- Information on how COS determines whether a student is making “satisfactory academic progress” and what happens if they are not.
- Interest rate, repayment procedures, and length of repayment period on student loans.
- Request a reduction or cancellation of a student loan. Student loan is a debt that must be repaid.
- Resources that are considered in the calculation of student need.

Students at College of the Sequoias who are applying for and receiving financial aid are responsible for the following:

- Completing all application forms completely and accurately.
- Submitting all additional documentation, verification, correction and/or new information requested by the Financial Aid Office, Department of Education, or agencies which documentation was submitted.
- Providing correct information at all times. Reporting false information is a violation of the law.
- Reading and understanding all forms student is asked to sign.
- Must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress according to College of the Sequoias policies.
- Regularly checking the student email account for information from Financial Aid or College of the Sequoias.
- Regularly checking your financial aid status on Banner Web for requirements or updates.
- Reading and understanding all College of the Sequoias policies and procedures.
- Repaying financial aid funds if it was determined that the student was ineligible to receive them.