Tips for success at COS

1. Students are responsible for their own learning and success.
2. Always ask questions.
3. Be aware of dates and deadlines such as drop dates.
4. Take math and English assessment tests seriously! Come prepared with accurate social security and/or COS banner ID number.
5. Read COS email regularly because this is “the” official means of communication. COS email is NOT optional.
6. Talk to a counselor about what classes you need. Taking the wrong classes can affect your financial aid and can be a waste of money and time. Counselor’s schedules are impacted so make an appointment early and not right before registration.
7. Take math and English classes early. Not doing so could prevent you from moving forward towards your academic goal.
8. In order to get the classes you need such as English and Math, it is important for students to always register on their assigned day and time. Check Banner Web for this information.
9. Take advantage of your instructor’s office hours.
10. Access student resources such as health center, tutoring and workshops.
11. Get connected with campus clubs and activities. Students who connect with the school tend to be more successful.
12. If struggling academically, don’t wait to ask for help. Seek tutoring services or help from instructor immediately. Students that wait are usually unable to salvage their grade. Low GPA can mean a loss of financial aid or disqualification from school.