Welcome new and returning EOPS and CARE students! We are excited to have you as a student participant in our programs. We hope that your semester is off to a great start and you are taking advantage of all of the benefits that the EOPS and CARE programs have to offer.

By now you should have made at least one contact with an EOPS/CARE Counselor or EOPS/CARE Paraprofessional. If you have not, please stop by the EOPS/CARE office for a walk-in or to schedule an appointment. We have walk-ins and appointments daily and evening counseling twice a month. We also have EOPS/CARE Counselors and Paraprofessionals available on a monthly basis at the Hanford and Tulare Centers.

If you have any questions or need help throughout the semester feel free to contact or stop by the EOPS/CARE office for assistance. I wish each and everyone of you the best and most importantly a successful semester!

Sincerely,
Adrian Beltran
EOPS/CARE Director

My name is Maleek Brown, a Business Administration major from Tulare. My passion is football! I played football at Tulare Western High School and then played here at COS. Coming to COS has allowed me to play the sport I love while getting an inexpensive, but valuable education. I plan to continue my education and football career in the fall of 2016 at the University of Lincoln in Jefferson City, Missouri.

There are many people in my life that have helped me in my journey thus far. First and foremost, my mom has played the biggest role in influencing me to be the best possible man I can be in life. My older uncle, who is currently enrolled in college and is about to earn his master’s degree, motivated me to study and stressed the importance of higher education. The simple fact that my family is proud of my accomplishments motivates me to continue to keep fighting during tough times.

Programs on campus such as Athletics, EOPS and CalWORKs have also played a big part in my success here at COS. I plan to continue my education until I earn my Master’s Degree in Business Administration. If I had to give advice to any current student or incoming freshman at COS, it would be get involved. Take advantage of the resources and programs on campus and get involved in sports and clubs which will make your time at COS much smoother and enjoyable!

All EOPS student participants will be required to submit an EOPS Early Alert each semester. These forms are used as a progress monitoring tool. It is a proactive approach to intervene and provide students with resources and/or referrals to appropriate campus services.

Early Alerts can be picked up in Room 108 in the Sequoia Building. Students will be responsible for submitting Early Alerts for all classes prior to March 14, 2016. Individuals who have earned a grade of a “C” or lower will need to meet with an EOPS Counselor to discuss their progress.