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### **Cabrillo Commitment Scholarships Available to Local High School Seniors**

APTOS- The Cabrillo College Foundation today announces that Santa Cruz County High School seniors have the opportunity to apply for \$500 Cabrillo Commitment Scholarships that have become available as a result of a \$1 million gift from Cabrillo College's largest donor, Barbara Samper.

A portion of Samper's \$1 million donation is tied to the Santa Cruz County College Commitment (S4C), a collaboration among K-12 school districts and multiple higher education institutions with the goal of ensuring that students are prepared to enter college.

As part of the initiative, more than 3,000 fourth grade students, parents, and teachers from across Santa Cruz County will come to Cabrillo College on May 11th for *The S4C Samper Fourth Grade Experience*. Fourth grade students from across the county will be exposed to college life through the half-day event, which will feature educational activities and programs.

The Cabrillo Commitment Scholarships are available to students who are graduating from high school in June and plan to enroll at Cabrillo in the fall. Please visit: [www.cabrillo.edu/services/financialaid/scholarshipbinder](http://www.cabrillo.edu/services/financialaid/scholarshipbinder) and click on the Cabrillo Commitment Scholarships for the application and guidelines.

Students who have already submitted a 2012 High School Scholarship application to Cabrillo College will be considered for this scholarship if they meet the criteria. Applications must be submitted by May 18th at 5:00 pm to the Financial Aid Office at Cabrillo College. Scholarship recipients will be notified in June. For more information on scholarships, contact the Cabrillo College Financial Aid and Scholarships Office at [\(831\) 479-6415](tel:8314796415) or [financial.aid@cabrillo.edu](mailto:financial.aid@cabrillo.edu).

#### **About Cabrillo College**

*Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos, Scotts Valley and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Cabrillo College is a dynamic, diverse and responsive educational community that is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic, career, and personal development goals.*

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