



Statement on DACA

Upon learning of the Trump administration's decision to phase out and rescind the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, the South Orange County Community College District reaffirms its commitment to upholding the constitutional rights of everyone in the United States, regardless of their citizenship or visa status.

We are steadfast in our commitment to our students' rights and are dedicated to ensuring that all students have full access to our colleges and are protected from actions that would disrupt their education. Irvine Valley College and Saddleback College provide a safe learning environment for a diverse population of students, including immigrants who are pursuing a better life for themselves and their families. We will continue to be in full compliance of the District's policies and procedures and will follow federal and state laws and regulations.

Our district is working closely with the California Community Colleges State Chancellor's Office to advocate with Congress on a permanent resolution to help students who are impacted by the president's decision. If you are interested in lending your support for this effort, [please click here to contact your representatives](#).

To access resources for undocumented students, please visit the State Chancellor's Office website at: <http://www.cccco.edu/ResourcesforUndocumentedStudents.aspx>.

Thank you to our dedicated students, faculty, staff, and administrators for your support of all of our students.

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