MEMORANDUM

Date: October 26, 2011

To: CSU Provosts and Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs
CSU Vice Presidents for Student Affairs

From: Eric G. Forbes
Assistant Vice Chancellor, Student Academic Support

Subject: Priority Registration for Current or Former Foster Youth

Assembly Bill 194 approved by the Governor on October 4, 2011 and filed with the Secretary of State on October 4, 2011, added Section 66025.9 to the Education Code. This section requires the California State University to provide priority enrollment to current and former foster youth as defined in the bill. This section defines “foster youth” as a person who is currently in foster care, and “former foster youth” as a person who is an emancipated foster youth and who is up to 24 years of age. A copy of the act to add Section 66025.9 to the Education Code is attached for your reference.

This requirement became effective with the signing of the law and is in effect until January 1, 2017 unless otherwise extended or amended. Campuses must provide priority enrollment to students meeting this definition, but also have the discretion to utilize a broader definition in accordance with existing local programs supporting former foster youth.

Questions concerning the matter addressed here may be referred to Ray Murillo, Associate Director of Student Programs at rmurillo@calstate.edu or at (562)951-4707 or Nathan Evans, Director of Enrollment Management Services at nevans@calstate.edu or at (562) 951-4726.

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