Dear Parents,

Students and well into their second semester here TAMU-CC. Congratulations to all. Some achieved exceptionally high grades and some were not as successful. However, this is another semester with different courses, different faculty, different assignments, but always with the support of First Islander Scholars’ Academy. We are here to continue to provide support and guidance, help you and your student find adequate resources, and make sure that students have opportunities to achieve their academic goals. Do not hesitate to contact FISA if you need help.

Roman

The Center for Academic Student Achievement (CASA) is dedicated to providing academic support services to help students achieve their academic goals and to succeed at the collegiate education. The motivation for CASA team members is to help our students develop skills and abilities needed to accomplish their academic endeavors. Furthermore, we thrive to develop a student’s assertiveness and independence within a supportive environment that develops a student’s learning potential to become well-rounded scholars.

-Roman

Financial Aid

Scholarship applications are now available at TAMU-CC. Apply for Undergraduate Scholarships now through Friday, March 1st. To apply, visit

www.scholarships.tamucc.

The Office of Financial Aid @ Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi encourages all students to apply for federal student aid now through June. To apply visit www.fafsa.ed.gov

Greetings Parents,

As your student takes on adult responsibilities, your role will change, but your student still needs you. Students need you to support their growth, development, and independence, and to be a stable force in their ever-changing world. On occasion, they even need your advice, but they may not ask for it.

Learning to navigate this challenging time can be difficult, rewarding, and scary for you, and your student. Below you will find some tips to help you throughout your student’s educational journey.

Tips on Ways to Show Your Support:

- Stay Connected
- Checking-In
- Be Knowledgeable About Campus Resources
- Continue to Have Difficult Conversations
- Ask Questions-But Not Too Many
- Expect Change
- Trust Your Student

-Martha Gutierrez, FISA Program Coordinator
Services provided by CASA

Tutoring
Supplemental Instruction
Writing Center
Academic Collegiate Excellence
Academic Success Coaching
Texas Success Initiative

Please visit casa.tamucc.edu for additional information.

FISA Workshops
Spring 2019

Effective Study Habits
Spring Break Safety
Goal Setting
Don’t Stress the Test
Eating Healthy and Exercise

What are Workshops?

Workshops are meetings where FISA mentors and students engage in discussions/activities on a particular subject. They are opportunities to learn new tools for improving academic performance. FISA peer mentors research the topic of discussion and present the information.

Important Dates:

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For additional information, please visit www.tamucc.edu/news

Welcome Back!!!

We had a great time at the welcome back celebration!
Have a great semester everyone!
Congratulations to Emilia Handy for achieving a 4.0 for the Fall 18 semester. We would also like to congratulate her on becoming a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success. We are proud of you Emilia!!!

Congratulations to Katherine Corchado and Mireya Romero for obtaining a GPA above 3.5! They also joined the Sorority program recently. Congratulations to both of you!

Congratulations to Arlenne Olvera for obtaining a 3.0-3.5 GPA. We would also like to congratulate her for passing the HESI exam! The HESI exam is a Critical Thinking exam that is part of the application process to enter the nursing program. Arlenne’s next step is to apply for the nursing program! GOOD LUCK ARLENNE!