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Dear Student:

Welcome to Foothill College! We're happy you're here! You've just joined a proud community with a rich tradition of academic success. Now that you've taken that important first step, we want to help you succeed by providing comprehensive, meaningful programs and student services to support you as you pursue your academic and career goals.

We consider the following principles essential to our educational mission and community life:

1. [Mutual respect](#) between students, faculty and staff;
2. Celebration of [diversity](#) and differences;
3. Pursuit of studies with [honesty and integrity](#);
4. [Respect for College and personal property](#); and
5. [Compliance with all rules and regulations](#).

These standards are intended to promote responsible student conduct and fair play.

At Foothill, we believe in personal honor based on integrity, common sense and respect for civil and moral standards. We have high expectations of all our community members, including students, faculty, staff and administrators. At the same time, we realize that we have a responsibility to create an environment where you can reach your academic potential. That environment is one that:

1. Is free from bullying and any form of [harassment](#)
2. Is free from [drugs and alcohol](#)
3. Is free of any form of [tobacco use](#) in all study areas
4. Is free from [Academic Dishonesty](#) (plagiarism, cheating)

Creating this environment takes all of us. In addition to doing all we can to provide a safe and creative environment conducive to teaching and learning, we provide resources that help including:

1. Access to [comprehensive health services](#) including assistance with substance abuse issues, smoking cessation services and family planning tools
2. Access to [mental health counseling](#)
3. Access to [academic assessment and counseling](#) to ensure appropriate academic major selection and course enrollment, as well as the completion of your studies with an associate degree, specialty certification and/or preparation for university transfer
4. Access to [tutorial services](#) and [special programs](#) that emphasize study skills
5. Access to classrooms where instructors value their students and ideas
6. Access to the [student grievance process](#) when needed to protect students and faculty from unjust practices and uphold our academic honor code.

This is just a start! Check out our [website](#), toss us some questions at [Ask Foothill](#), get the “inside scoop” at [Student Lingo](#) or pop you head into any of our offices. We think you’ll find us eager to help you succeed.