The mission of the African American Scholastic Programs (AASP) is to provide its students with appropriate program services while demonstrating sensitivity and appreciation of different life situations and academic endeavors. AASP promotes student success and goal attainment through academic, career/educational, and personal counseling.

The programs and services are directed to underrepresented students to assist them in acquiring a high school diploma, an Associate of Arts/Science degree, transfer to a baccalaureate institution, obtain career information, grow through cultural enrichment and become lifelong learners.

These programs were initially designed to assist African American students; however, because of the richness of the program, AASP now assists a diverse student population. www.ccsf.edu/services/African_American_Scholastic_Programs

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PROGRAMS

African American Achievement Program

The goals of AASP are to increase students’ ability to understand developments in the world; to think critically; to express thoughts clearly orally and in writing; and to make informed decisions.

The four components that drive the program are:
1. A series of English courses
2. College Success courses
3. Library-Information Resources
4. Counseling Services

The counseling services component is an integral part of the instruction, which helps students acquire personal development skills. Intensive individual and group sessions provide students with educational, career and personal counseling to assist them in making appropriate choices to reach their goals. The AASP program helps students to identify learning styles, effectively use information resources and develop sound study habits.

High School/College Program

In partnership with San Francisco Unified School District, the African American Scholastic Programs provide high school students with the opportunity to:
- Earn high school credits to complete high school graduation requirements.
- Earn college units towards and Associate of Arts Degree while still attending high school.
- Earn units which may begin to satisfy admissions requirements to a Baccalaureate Degree granting institution.

Each semester a variety of courses are offered in English, Math, History, Psychology and Interdisciplinary Studies. High school juniors and seniors are enrolled each semester with a recommendation from their high school principal or counselor. A program application is required and can be obtained from a participating SFUSD high school or from Bungalow 500 at CCSF. Please see your high school counselor for more information.

Historically Black Colleges and Universities Transfer Program

The HBCU Transfer Program is designed to provide CCSF students the opportunity to attend and graduate from a HBCU, then transfer as a junior to an HBCU of their choice. CCSF/HBCU transfer students will participate in a collaborative learning environment while earning a General Education Associate Degree and completing transfer requirements. The program provides a variety of support services that include individual and group counseling and student mentoring.

Summer Bridge Program

The Summer Bridge Program is designed to assist high school students in the transition from high school to college. This program allows students to matriculate in the summer and enroll in college credit courses. The Summer Bridge Program is a six-week summer program and students are eligible to enroll in a maximum of seven (7) units. Courses are pre-selected for program participants based on an English and Math placement exam prior to the beginning of the Summer semester. Other support services that are provided are an orientation to college, a financial aid workshop, a campus tour, group and individual counseling sessions and the development of an educational plan.

After the successful completion of the Summer Bridge Program, participants are considered continuing students who will receive an early registration date for the following Fall semester.

There is no fee to graduating high school seniors; however students must purchase required class text and materials.

Peer Mentoring Program

This program provides peer mentoring for high school and CCSF students enrolled in African American Scholastic Programs. Students enrolled in the CCSF/High School program are mentored by City College making a successful transition from high school to college.

The Peer Mentoring Program provides CCSF students and SFUSD elementary students grades 2-6, the opportunity to interact and develop positive relationships, encouragement for younger students to stay in school, and the understanding of the benefits of a college education.

SERVICES

Counseling Services

AASP provides academic career and personal counseling to all students who utilize AASP programs and services. Students meet with academic counselors on a regular basis to create educational and career plans and monitor their progress. Counselors are available by appointment or drop in sessions. Counselors’ schedules are available in Bungalow 500.

Computer Lab Services

The AASP computer lab is located in Bungalow 500. Students may utilize the computer lab to complete homework assignments or perform internet research for various courses. The computer lab is available for student use during hours of operation.

EVENTS

Colleges & Universities Spring Tour

This tour provides the opportunity for high school and community college students to visit California State/University of California campuses and Historically Black Colleges/Universities for a first hand look at campus life. These tours are arranged during CCSF’s Spring Break, alternating geographic regions each year.

Historically Black Colleges and Universities Transfer Day

AASP hosts the HBCU Transfer Day every fall semester at CCSF in partnership with the United Negro College Fund (UNCF). Various admissions representatives provide students with informational material from their respective HBCUs.