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**SKYLINE COLLEGE TO HONOR STUDENTS' ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS
AT THE 14TH ANNUAL STUDENT RECOGNITION AND AWARD CEREMONY**

San Bruno, California – April 15, 2015 – The 14th Annual Student Recognition and Award Ceremony will award scholarships to over 200 students on Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. in the Theater, located in Building 1 at 3300 College Drive, San Bruno, CA 94066. A reception for the scholarship recipients and families will be held immediately following the program in the Student and Community Center, Building 6. Skyline College students will be presented with over 250 awards totaling more than \$145,000 in scholarship funds.

The prestigious \$20,000 Karl S. Pister scholarship will be awarded to a Skyline College student who will complete his or her undergraduate studies at University of California, Santa Cruz. The scholarship provides \$20,000 over two years, and assistance in securing additional funding, to a transfer-eligible student who shows exceptional achievement despite adverse socio-economic status, has demonstrated commitment to assisting and improving the lives of others, and would not otherwise be able to attend the University of California, Santa Cruz due to financial need. This highly competitive scholarship is awarded to only 13 students nationwide.

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“It is a pleasure for me to join in honoring students and their families, in celebrating their academic achievements at our 14th Annual Award Ceremony. We are proud to support students with scholarships thanks to the generosity of the SMCCCD foundation and our donors including the community, faculty and staff. For many students, these scholarships make the difference that enables them to continue their educational path,” said Regina Stanback Stroud, Ed.D., President of Skyline College.

Many of the scholarships students received are generous donations from the community secured through the efforts of the San Mateo County Community College District Foundation. The Foundation’s mission is to promote student success and to nourish program innovation and excellence by providing special financial support for the District’s three colleges including Skyline College. For more information on the Foundation’s scholarship program or to donate to Skyline College, please contact Stephani F. Scott, Executive Director, San Mateo County Community College District Foundation at (650) 358-6871.

Skyline College is an accredited, comprehensive California community college serving more than 10,000 students offering over 80 Associate Degree and Certificate programs. Located on a 111-acre campus overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Skyline College has offered world-class educational opportunities to residents from North San Mateo County and beyond since 1969. Part of the San Mateo Community College District, Skyline College strives to inspire a global and diverse community of learners to achieve intellectual, cultural, social, economic and personal fulfillment.

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