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# ACCESS PROGRAMS



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## What are Access Programs?

Access Programs offered by Cerro Coso Community College include f  
dedicated to helping and assisting community college students who are faced with additional



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barriers in obtaining their education. The programs are Extended Opportunities Program and Services ([EOPS](#)), Cooperative Agency Resources for Education ([CARE](#)), Foster Youth ([NextUp](#)), Disabled Student Program and Services ([DSPS](#)), and California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids ([CalWORKs](#)).

Services offered depend on the program(s) you are eligible for: this includes an assigned support team and counselor, and may consist of book vouchers, transportation passes, networking and leadership training, assigned Learning Assistant, the [High Tech Center](#) (IWV and KRV), interpreters, the Student Services United Club, social activities, taped books, and a career decision-making process. All services are individualized to meet the needs of the Access Programs students.

## Study Hall

All EOPS, CARE, DSPS, CalWorks, and NextUp students are welcome to attend study hall on a drop-in basis. Tutoring, peer mentoring, study strategies, individualized attention, study materials and other resources available. Find out more about college resources that will provide support and assistance in successfully completing your classes.

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## Peer Mentor Program

Peer mentors are positive role models who offer guidance, encouragement and a supportive network that contributes to their mentee's overall success at Cerro Coso Community College.

Mentors meet with individual students and maintain contact throughout the semester. They also assist in coordinating program activities and promote student engagement.

### Minimum Qualifications:

- Must have completed at least one semester at Cerro Coso Community College (minimum 12 units)
- Have a 2.5 overall GPA from previous semesters and maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 during term of employment

### Application Process

- Attend an *Informational Meeting*
- Be available for an interview (following the Informational Meeting)

# Contact

*Access Programs*

*(760) 384-6250*

[accessprograms@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:accessprograms@cerrocoso.edu)

# Mission Statement

Access Programs provides increased support and services to students who experience additional barriers to education that may include economic, language, disability, educational, and social disadvantages. Program staff promote student growth that includes the development of self-responsibility to accomplish academic, career, and life goals.

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## COYOTE'S CROSS COUNTRY PROGRAM READY TO TAKE ANOTHER STEP FORWARD

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# CC SCHOLARS



## Thru in 2

The Cerro Coso Scholars is a unique scholarship opportunity offering personalized and financial support for up to two years—\$1000.00 per semester—for recent High School graduates, first-time, and eligible second-year full-time college students. The program is designed to uphold Cerro Coso's mission to improve the life of every student it serves by prioritizing equity and supporting the attainment of educational goals. Providing transfer preparation, workforce education, degree pathways, and comprehensive student support services...CC Scholars will get you **Thru in 2!**

All CC Scholars applications for the 2024-2025 academic year will be accepted until **Friday, August 9th at 5:30 PM**. Applications are on a first come, first served basis, and will be assessed and approved appropriately according to the scholarship's requirements. Please review the following information to determine eligibility.

[First Year Requirements and Eligibility  
Check List](#)

[Second Year Re  
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*For applicants with 0-24 earned units*

*For applicants with 25-60 earned units*

1ST YEAR CHECK LIST

2ND YEAR CHECK LIST

# Apply for Aid

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## FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID

Complete the FAFSA →

## CA DREAM ACT APPLICATION

Complete the CADAA →

Once you have completed all items on your checklist, please proceed to the application for which you qualify:

### 1st Year CC Scholars Student Application

*For applicants with 0-24 earned units*

### 2nd Year CC Scholars Student Application

*For applicants with 25-60 earned units*

“Cerro Coso has opened so many new opportunities for me in life that I never saw happening. Being able to go to school and still be so close to my family really made college more enjoyable and without Cerro Coso that wouldn't be possible.

**While we strive to award the CC Scholars scholarship to as many qualified students as possible, please be aware that funds are not unlimited and therefore not all students are guaranteed receipt of this scholarship.**

Students attending the **Bishop** and **Mammoth Lakes** campuses of Cerro Coso Community College should apply for the Inyo or Mono Promises.

#### INYO PROMISE

Eastern Sierra Foundation Scholarship

#### MONO PROMISE

Mammoth Lakes Foundation Scholarship

For additional information on the CC Scholars scholarship or its requirements, please contact:

- CC Scholars – [ccscholars@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:ccscholars@cerrocoso.edu)
- Financial Aid email – [cc\\_faid@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:cc_faid@cerrocoso.edu) or (760) 384-6221
- Katie Bachman – [kathryn.bachman@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:kathryn.bachman@cerrocoso.edu)

## Frequently Asked Questions

Select from the following for more information.

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+ What is it?

+ Who is eligible?

+ Is this program really for all first-time students?
+ How much is this scholarship worth?
+ How will fees be paid?
+ Can students receive CC Scholars funds if they take more than 12 units?
+ How long is this scholarship good for?
+ Can a student begin the Spring semester and receive the scholarship?
+ How does enrolling in a summer course affect my Cerro Coso Scholars Scholarship?
+ What if a student drops below or doesn't complete 12 units?
+ How do students get started?
+ What do students need to do to continue their eligibility for their second year?
+ Ready to apply? (Students must complete every item from the CC Scholars checklist before applying for the scholarship.)

## Common Myths

**Myth:** I won't qualify for financial aid so I shouldn't even apply.

**Truth:** 68% of all students receive some sort of financial aid.

**Myth:** It's too late for me to apply for financial aid this year.

**Truth:** You can apply for aid any time during the year, but some programs do have cutoff dates to receive aid this semester.



# CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

To ensure the safety of children, staff and students the Child Development Centers are CLOSED during the Coronavirus pandemic. For further information contact Jessica Krall at [Jessica.krall@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:Jessica.krall@cerrocoso.edu).

***California City Child Development Center (Facility #153801788)***

10179 Heather Ave.

California City, CA 93505-2247

***Cerro Coso State Preschool California City (Facility #153801749)***

c/o Robert P. Ulrich Elementary School

9124 Catalpa Ave.

California City, CA 93505-2781

Phone: (760) 373-1070

The Center offers a developmentally appropriate program funded through the Department of Education. Part-day preschool is available to families who qualify. Students of Cerro Coso Community College are given first priority. Facilities are located in [Ridgecrest](#) and California City.

The Center is staffed with Child Development Professionals. Each classroom has credentialed teaching staff and follows regulations and rules set forth by the California Department of Education Title 5 and Community Care licensing Title 22 that regulates child to teacher ratios, teacher education and experience, and the overall accountability for our program.

As a child development lab school center, we strive to provide college students with an exemplary model of developmentally appropriate practices in a safe secure setting.

For more information, please email [Jessica Krall](#).

## VISION

Our program will provide an atmosphere where individuals are respected for their uniqueness. We will offer encouragement and support to foster each person's autonomy, competence and success.



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# MISSION

To accomplish this vision, our mission is to provide...

## ...children

- a safe, healthy, developmentally appropriate learning environment
- recognition of their unique talents and contributions
- respect for their ability to think, learn and solve problems
- guidance to help them successfully interact with others as they seek to discover answers

## ...parents

- support and recognition of the interconnectedness of child and family
- encouragement and understanding of the challenges parents encounter
- recognition and respect of the family culture(s) and values
- provisions for frequent communication with staff

## ...staff

- opportunities for professional growth in child development and in facilitating learning
- information, resources and support which assist their efforts to promote program quality
- encouragement to act as advocates for children and the child development profession
- provisions for frequent communication with families

## ...college students

- an exemplary child development model based on current child development research
- a climate of mutual respect and trust where we encourage open communication
- an atmosphere which views successes and failures as opportunities for learning
- information regarding advocating for children and the child development profession

## We believe...

- Each person is a unique individual, full of discovery and knowledge
- A positive self-image is essential to the full development of each individual
- A child develops trust by the constant, caring response to his needs by the adults in his environment beginning with the primary caregiver in infancy
- Children need opportunities for expression through art, music, and language
- Children need an environment that they can explore and discover on their own with adult support
- Children with special needs are more similar to their peers than different from them, and all children benefit from learning together
- A safe, warm, supportive environment where children's emotional, social, physical, and intellectual development are enriched is vital
- Diversity is to be honored and celebrated
- Positive learning experiences in the early years set the stage for lifelong learning

## Our program goals are...

- To adapt to the changing needs, interests, and abilities of each child in our care
- To provide a safe, consistent, inclusive environment for children and their families
- To create an atmosphere of honesty and trust by openly communicating with one another
- To provide college students with a model program where they can apply their knowledge about children, families and their development
- To provide quality child care services to support KCCD college students in reaching their educational goals
- To achieve the California State Department of Education Desired Results for Children and Families which are:
  - Children are personally and socially competent
  - Children are effective learners
  - Children show physical and motor competence
  - Children are safe and healthy
  - Families support their children's learning and development
  - Families achieve their goals

# Hours of Operation

Cerro Coso Child Development Center offers quality early childhood experiences and childcare to anyone in our community and serves children ranging in age 3-5. We have 3 part day sessions to choose from: Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:30, 12:30-3:30 at our Heather Ave location and 9:00-12:00 at our RPU location. The Center does close for staff in-service days and some holidays. A calendar of these dates is provided upon enrollment. Submit an application to enroll your child(ren) in our program.

## Child / Staff Ratios

### **Preschool: 3 years to Kindergarten**

1 Staff : 8 Preschool

1 Certificated Teacher : 24 Preschool

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# CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The Cerro Coso Child Development Centers are serving families and children in person and via virtual learning. We have a limited number of in person spots available at each site. Please complete a preliminary application to be put on the wait list or contact Jessica Krall at [Jessica.krall@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:Jessica.krall@cerrocoso.edu).

*Child Development Center (Facility #150406460 & 150406458)*

*3000 College Heights Blvd.*

*Ridgecrest, CA 93555*

*Phone: (760) 384-6362*

The Center offers a developmentally appropriate program funded through the Department of Education. Part day preschool and full time care is available to families who qualify. Students of Cerro Coso Community College are given first priority. Facilities are located in Ridgecrest and **California City**.

The Center is staffed with Child Development Professionals. Each classroom has credentialed teaching staff and follows regulations and rules set forth by the California Department of Education Title 5 and Community Care licensing Title 22 that regulates child to teacher ratios, teacher education and experience, and the overall accountability for our program.

As a child development lab school center, we strive to provide college students with an exemplary model of developmentally appropriate practices in a safe secure setting.

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# Hours of Operation

Cerro Coso Child Development Center offers quality early childhood experiences and childcare to anyone in our community and serves children ranging in age from 18 months to the start of Kindergarten. We are open Monday-Friday, 7:45am to 5:00pm. The Center does close for staff in-service days and some holidays. A calendar of these dates is provided upon enrollment. Submit an application to enroll your child(ren) in our program..

## Child / Staff Ratios

### **Toddlers: 18 months to 36 months**

1 Staff : 4 Toddlers

1 Certificated Teacher : 16 Toddlers

### **Preschool: 36 months to Kindergarten**

1 Staff : 8 Preschool

1 Certificated Teacher : 24 Preschool

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# MILITARY/VETERAN STUDENT

Cerro Coso Community College proudly provides services to all our military-connected students. The Military and Veterans Services team aids active-duty military, veterans, and their dependents that may be eligible for various military-connected educational benefits. This team helps transition veterans from military to civilian life within the academic environment. Military and Veterans Services houses a dedicated Educational Advisor eager to help students complete their academic goals and a dedicated School Certifying official who serves as a liaison between veteran students/dependents and the Department of Veterans Affairs.



Cerro Coso Community College is approved by the California State Approving Agency to enroll veterans and other eligible persons. GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is <https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill>.

Cerro Coso Community College is approved under Title 38 of the United States Code. Admissions, registration, and course offering are consistent with Title 38 U.S.C. §3679(e). Eligibility for educational benefits is determined through an application process by the Veterans Administration (VA). Students are responsible for applying for their benefits and reporting the correct benefit to the college.

Benefits payable through the VA are determined by your term of service in the military. The Montgomery G.I. Bill® (Ch. 30) and the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill® (Ch. 33) are offered for veterans. Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E, Ch. 31) is available to disabled veterans and requires a referral from a qualified CR&E counselor. Dependents of veterans may be eligible for the Dependents Education Assistance® (Ch. 35) benefit if the veteran meets the criteria determined by the VA:

- Is permanently and totally disabled due to a service-connected disability
- Died while on active duty or as a result of a service-connected disability

Students in reserve status (Ch. 1606/1607) may qualify for reimbursement for a portion of their educational costs.

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## Ready to Apply?

It's easy to become a student at Cerro Coso Community College. Tap the **"Apply Now"** button to get started today.

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Make sure to connect with a CC Counselor as soon as you have completed the application. Contact counseling to [make an appointment](#) and receive support at the beginning of your journey.

Questions? Reach out to Veterans Services at [veterans@cerrocoso.edu](mailto:veterans@cerrocoso.edu)

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# STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF CERRO COSO



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**CalFresh Week - Day 2**

09/10/24

**CalFresh Week - Day 3**

09/11/24

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The Student Government of Cerro Coso (SGCC), is the official student organization, with membership open to **all** students. The SGCC, through its governing body the Student Senate, promotes the Student Activities Program at Cerro Coso. A system of self-government has been established by which the students, through democratic action, formulate and execute policies and programs and prepare the student body's financial budget..



Cerro Coso Community College students can purchase an ASB Sticker each semester at the time of registration. The ASB Sticker is placed on each students identification card. These funds support the Student Activities Program which benefits the college and contributes to the welfare of all students. Possession of an ASB Sticker may qualify an individual to serve as a club representative or a student Senator, to hold office, to join college student organizations, and to receive student discounts at various merchants in the community.

**Mission:** The mission of the SGCC, in order to promote a harmonious environment, is to create an interactive atmosphere and immersive culture by providing student-oriented services, opportunities for involvement, and increased campus accessibility.

**Objectives:** The objectives of the SGCC are to represent our fellow students of Cerro Coso; uphold the constitution created by them; inspire, serve, and lead; and to make a beneficial impact within the community.

## Meet Your SGCC Officers

### Fatima Chavez Gomez | President

Hi everyone! My name is Fatima Chavez Gomez and I am your student government president! I first joined student government last year as vice-president to get an experience in leadership and at the end I felt very passionate about it so I decided to join another year as president. I'm currently majoring in history and I am planning to transfer to a 4-year university next fall to continue with that field of study. My hobbies consists of drawing/painting, listening to music, and meeting new people! I look forward to making this an exciting year as well as an unforgettable year for students in our campuses.





## Garrett Wilkinson | Vice President

Salutations students, my name is Garrett Wilkinson and I am currently serving my first term as your events coordinator. I am majoring in IT and wil (hopefully) I be transferring to University of Nevada Reno to study computer science and engineering in Fall of 2024. My hobbies include reading, drawing and, of course, video games. This is currently my fifth semester at Cerro Coso, starting in Fall of 2021. When I first started at Cerro Coso, activity on campus was dead. I could sit in the LRC for hours and be the only student the

whole time. In the years since, I have observed an incredible resurgence of on-campus activity. As events coordinator, I hope to further improve student participation, particularly at scheduled events. The position also can't hurt my résumé.

## Crystal Padron | Secretary

Hello fellow students! My name is Crystal Padron, and I am currently serving my second term as SGCC Secretary and the Student Government Representative for Phi Theta Kappa. As a 100% online Business major, I joined student government to get more involved with Cerro Coso and also help work towards positive changes on and off campus. I am a returning college student and wanted to take the opportunity to do things I wish I previously would have done, such as joining a club. My passion for helping others led me to this position, and I hope to contribute to shaping our school's culture. Some fun facts about me are that I am a first-generation college student, a mom to a five-year-old boy, I'm bilingual in Spanish, and I live in little ole' California City. Even though I am an online student, I have attended several on-campus events and have had the opportunity to meet professors and fellow students. I hope to inspire other students to actively participate and get involved with Cerro Coso Student Government, regardless of whether they are attending in-person or online.





## Genevieve Vogel | Finance Officer

My name is Genevieve Vogel, and I am your student government Finance Manager. I am a Cerro Coso freshman and plan to transfer to a four-year university later. I am currently enjoying my second semester here at Coso. My current major is General Science, but I aim to obtain a degree in Nuclear Engineering. I enjoy reading, drawing, hiking, and playing music with my friends when I'm not at college. I joined student government for the leadership skills and lessons and to learn/help out with student life on campus. As student

government Finance Manager, I plan to maintain and manage money to allow students to have fun clubs and events to look forward to. I can't wait to see all the fun events students can chill at and bring back student life!

## Victor Zych | Event Coordinator

Hey everyone! My name is Victor Zych, and I'm your student government Event Coordinator. I joined student government because I really wanted to gain experience in a leadership position. I'm studying medical assisting and planning to finish my prerequisites in order to transfer to a 4-year university. I also love to play video games, read, and go to the gym. I'm excited about this school year, and I can't wait for what's to come.



## Wyatt Marvin | Communications Officer

My name is Wyatt Marvin and I am currently attending my sophomore year here at Cerro Coso and I am currently the communications officer of SGCC. I am employed as a student worker here on campus and have been since the beginning of the Fall-2023 semester. I am currently working



towards my web-professional degree and being the communications officer is giving me an opportunity for experience in this field of work along with involvement within the Cerro Coso community. I look forward to working with you and the community!

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## Participatory Governance

Cerro Coso practices Participatory Governance, allowing all members of the college community to be represented in governance bodies. Specific Participatory Governance Teams have student representative spots available. Those teams are: Accreditation Steering Committee, Budget Development Committee, Facilities Committee, Professional Development Committee, Program Review Committee, Safety and Security Committee, Outcomes Assessment Committee, Student Equity and Achievement Committee, and Technology Resource Team. The SGCC is also represented by 2 members on the College Council, which has the responsibility for the integration of planning for the long-term direction of the college, which includes decisions regarding programs, facilities, financial planning, staffing, and organizational development. To become a student team member contact [Tyson Huffman](#).

## District Representatives

Section 72023.5 of the Education Code provides for a student to be a non-voting member of the Board of Trustees. The associated student body selects a student to serve as members of a District Steering Committee. This committee considers issues and concerns of the district representative and advises the student member of the Board of Trustees who will chair the District Steering Committee. Student members are chosen during April and commence the term of office at the first meeting in June. Any replacements for student representatives will be made by the associated student body. To be eligible a student must be in good standing with their college. District employees, other than student employees, are ineligible.

# State Representatives

The California Community College State Chancellor's Office has various advisory committees that are made up of representatives from community colleges statewide. On each committee there are positions for student representation. If you are interested in being a representative contact [Tyson Huffman](#).

## SGCC Documents

- [SGCC Constitution and Bylaws](#)
- [Student Senate of Cerro Coso Bylaws](#)
- [KCCD Student Trustee Elections Process and Code](#)

## Agenda and Minutes

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