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RCC Compass Days help high school students find direction

Rogue Community College will host a series of events this spring to assist seniors from 13 regional high schools make the transition to college.

Compass Days@Rogue Community College will connect some 220 visiting high schoolers with current college students for tours, presentations, and lunch. RCC student government leaders and other student club members will provide a welcoming student-centered atmosphere. The visiting high school students will take the Compass placement test, an untimed, user-friendly computerized test used to assess academic readiness. They will receive their test results and learn about the next steps to college enrollment.

“The seniors we hope to serve are the students who could be college bound but either have not yet made up their minds or may not have the resources or support to follow through,” said Serena Ota St. Clair, RCC coordinator for High School Outreach. “We will do our best to help these students choose college and to see it as a real possibility.”

Compass Days will begin April 28 at Redwood Campus for about 80 students from Grants Pass, Hidden Valley, Illinois Valley, and North Valley high schools. On May 12 Compass Days are set for Riverside Campus for 80 students from Ashland, North and South Medford, and Phoenix high schools. Some 60 students from Butte Falls, Crater, Eagle Point, Prospect, and Rogue River high schools will visit Table Rock campus May 19.

RCC counselors and advisors will host meetings with accompanying high school counselors and staff to exchange information. One goal of RCC High School Outreach is to increase college attendance for graduating high school seniors.

“We’ll stay in touch with students who participate in our Compass Days@RCC to continue to encourage their enrollment in college,” St. Clair said.

RCC Compass Days are sponsored in partnership with the Southern Oregon Educational Service District.

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