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Top Stories:

- * Merlo Kick's Off to College this month. September will be filled with College presentations and a College Summit for our class of 2020.

Quote of the Month

"Every year, many, many stupid people graduate from college. And if they can do it, so can you." -John Green

Making a Difference

Going to college generally affects a family for the good, especially in the long-run, but families may still face challenges. College tuition isn't cheap, creating burdens for families with limited resources and students who take out loans to cover expenses. Depending on the location of the college or university, it might also affect the frequency of visits and reduce family time together. By nearly any measure, college graduates outperform their peers who have only completed their high school degree. For example, the average graduate is 24 percent more likely to be employed and average earnings among graduates are \$32,000 higher annually and \$1 million higher over a lifetime. Moreover, those with college degrees are more than twice as likely to volunteer and they contribute nearly 3.5 times more money to charity. And 75 percent of bachelor's degree completers vote in presidential election years, compared with about 52 percent of high school graduates.



College-bound

Making the decision to go to college is both exciting and terrifying. The possibilities and opportunities are endless. Merlo is striving to ensure every student is A-G ready and able to go to college if they chose to do so. It may seem like college is out of reach for many reasons, often times the biggest reason students feel they cannot go to college is lack of finances. There are so many scholarships, grants, and financial aid available that it is easier than ever for students to achieve a higher education.



Upcoming Events:

- Senior Sunrise: 9/6
- CIP Presentation: 9/18
- Sacramento State Presentation: 9/19
- Stanislaus Presentation: 9/23
- Kick-Off to College Summit: 9/26

Resources

- <https://www.aplu.org/projects-and-initiatives/college-costs-tuition-and-financial-aid/publicvalues/societal-benefits.html>
- <https://education.seattlepi.com/can-going-college-affect-family-2824.html>

Minimum Days

- September 5
- September 12
- September 19
- September 26

Merlo Coffee Hour

- September 4
- 8am and 6:30pm