



# CARE & CalWORKs Warriors Student Success Calendar

## March 2024 | Newsletter



### Important Dates & Deadlines

- **March 18th** - First day instructors can complete EOPS Grade Checks on ECC Connect
- **March 25th** - 1st EOPS Contact Deadline

### Parent Cafes: Spring 2024

**Parent Cafes** are a series of discussions and support, focused on providing a safe, non-judgmental space filled with encouragement and resources for parents and caregivers. The goal is to provide a support system for parents and caregivers. Parents and caregivers, you are not alone!

**Online Zoom Dates:**  
Friday 2/23 5-7pm  
Thursday 3/21 5-7pm  
Thursday 5/9 5-7pm  
Zoom ID: 846 0133 8790

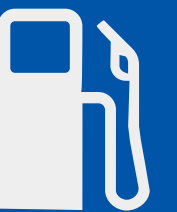
**In-Person Dates:**  
Friday 4/19 5-7pm  
Tuesday 5/21 10am-12pm  
Monday 6/3 11am-1pm  
Social Justice Center (53C) Communications 204

"The Childhood Education Department, ChildDEV Club, and Student Health Services present Parent Cafés" - a series of discussions and support, focused on providing a safe, non-judgmental space filled with encouragement and resources for parents and caregivers. The purpose is to provide a support system/community for parents and caregivers.

**Next Session: Thursday, March 21st 5pm - 7pm**  
Zoom ID: 846 0133 8790

### CARE Meal and Transportation Cards

The CARE office will provide meal and gas/bus pass assistance this semester! You are eligible to receive these services after each of your **THREE** required contacts.



Students must make an appointment to see the CARE advisor, or coordinator, in person by calling the EOPS front desk at (310) 660-3464.

### CalWORKs Spring 2024 Workshop

**Courageous Conversations**  
REFRAMING WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CalWORKs STUDENT  
MARCH 28 | 1:00PM | ROOM 287, 2ND FLOOR STUDENT SERVICES BLDG.

Join us in person as we discuss shifting the perspective of being a recipient of county support services and learn how we can stay away from internalizing negative stereotypes. You don't want to miss this discussion!

See you there!

**REGISTER HERE!**

Currently enrolled CalWORKs students with a VOB on file will receive a gas card for attending!

**FOR QUESTIONS:**  
Email: [calworksinfo@elcamino.edu](mailto:calworksinfo@elcamino.edu)

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### CalWORKs Spring 2024 VOB

**SPRING 2024 VERIFICATION OF BENEFITS (VOB)**

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**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: FEBRUARY 26, 2024**

Once you've downloaded your VOB, upload the document to the [BenefitsCal](https://www.benefitscal.com) website, located on the ECC CalWORKs program's website.

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ACCESS YOUR VOB ON THE BENEFITS CAL SITE, CONTACT THE CALWORKS OFFICE:** [calworksinfo@elcamino.edu](mailto:calworksinfo@elcamino.edu)

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**Deadline to submit: ASAP! We must have a VOB on file for students to receive services**

If you have any issues accessing your VOB please contact the CalWORKs Office [calworksinfo@elcamino.edu](mailto:calworksinfo@elcamino.edu) or (310) 660-6057

### CalWORKs Work Study Opportunities

**CalWORKs Work Study Program**

The ECC CalWORKs Work Study Program assists current CalWORKs students with job placement both on and off campus. Income earned will not be deducted from your CalWORKs cash aid.

**WE OFFER**

- ONE-ON-ONE ADVICE:** The CalWORKs Advisor will assist you with your resume, cover letter, job search, interview, professional development, and more to ensure you are competitive in the job market.
- SUBSIDIZED INCOME:** Work study earnings that does not affect your CalWORKs grant.
- WAYS TO COMPLETE YOUR GAIN REQUIREMENT:** Earn your gain requirement by completing CalWORKs approved activities while completing your course credits. Work study hours (20 hours maximum) can be earned by "earn" hours for a student's welfare-to-work plan.

**CONTACT US**

310-660-3033 x 6057  
<https://www.elcamino.edu/support/resources/calworkstudies/>  
[calworksinfo@elcamino.edu](mailto:calworksinfo@elcamino.edu)  
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Interested in earning extra income that's exempt from your CalWORKs cash aid? CalWORKs Work Study has on-campus student employment positions available for the Spring 2024 semester. Students that meet the following eligibility requirements are welcome to apply:

- Have a minimum 2.0 GPA
- Be in good academic standing at El Camino
- Provide current Verification of Benefits

For more info email Karin Baluyot at [kbaluyot@elcamino.edu](mailto:kbaluyot@elcamino.edu) or complete our **CWWS interest form**

### Pregnant and Parenting Students

Check out the new El Camino College **Pregnant and Parenting Student** webpage and learn about on and off campus resources available to you!

<https://www.elcamino.edu/support/resources/pregnant-and-parenting-students/>

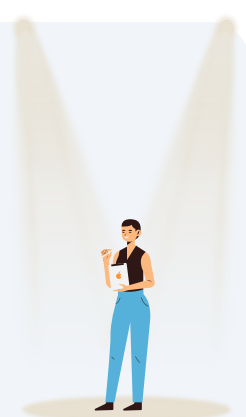
If you have any feedback, please let us know by emailing us at [careinfo@elcamino.edu](mailto:careinfo@elcamino.edu).



### CARE Student Spotlight

Parent Scholars! Are you interested in being part of a parenting student video series? Join us to shed light on the experiences of parent scholars in community college. Volunteer to have your story and voice heard!

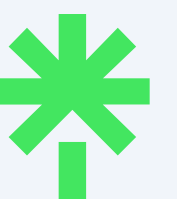
Contact the CARE team via phone: (310)660-6066 or email: [Careinfo@elcamino.edu](mailto:Careinfo@elcamino.edu)



### CARE Linktree

Trying to stay up to date with CARE but don't know how? No worries, check out our LINKTREE where we post all our important events and resources!

<http://linktr.ee/ecccare>



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# CARE & CalWORKs Warriors Calendar of Events for The Family

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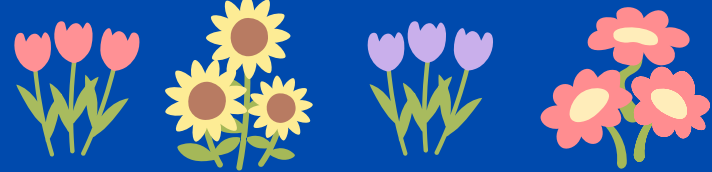
### Family Fun Day at the Huntington Museum

**Thursday, March 7th 10am - 2pm**

Huntington Library, Art Gallery and Botanical Gardens  
1151 Oxford Rd. San Marino, CA 91108

Join for a day of excitement and exploration at the Huntington Museum! The event promises fun for the whole family. Enjoy art, gardens, and more!

Reserve free tickets [HERE!](#)



### 50th Annual Festival of the Kite

**Sunday, March 10th 12pm -5pm**

Redondo Beach Pier

100 Fisherman's Wharf, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Join Redondo Beach's 50th annual festival of the kite! Enjoy this free community event with DJ and live music by 1969, Craig's Hot Fog on a Stick Eating Contest, prizes for various kite flying categories, sponsor giveaways and more!!



### Lakeshore's World of Discovery

**Saturday, March 9th 11am - 3pm**

Lakeshore Learning  
2695 E. Dominguez St. Carson, CA 90895



Grab your passport and explore Lakeshore's big, wonderful world! Kids will create unique craft characters while they enjoy story time,

view the diverse places people live and explore animals found in different habitats. They'll even earn passport stamp stickers along the way! Don't miss out! No RSVP required.

### Family Art Workshop: Yayoi Kusama Inspired Collages!

**Saturday, March 16th 1pm - 2:30pm**

Angels Gate Cultural Center

3601 S. Gaffey St. Los Angeles, CA 90731

Join for March's Family Art Workshop in celebration of Women's History Month! Taking inspiration from Yayoi Kusama's floral imagery to create a cut paper collage of fanciful flowers using bright color, pattern, organic shapes and lots of polka dots:

All materials are provided! Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Get more info and RSVP [HERE.](#)



### Spring Art Festival: RAZ Camp

**Sunday, March 17th 1pm - 4pm**

Robertson Art Zone

1046 S Roberston Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90035



Come by and enjoy free art activities for the family including painting, drawing, sculpting, collage making and more at the Roberston Art Zone. Get information on all their amazing Summer Camps for 2024.

Reserve your spot [HERE.](#)

### Black Family Wellness Expo

**Saturday, March 23rd 11am - 3pm**

Culver City Middle School

4401 St. Culver City, CA 90230



Join the Black Family Wellness Expo, a fun-filled event promoting health and well-being in the Black community. Attendees can expect free health screenings, interactive classes, talks from health experts, and an expo hall with community organizations. The whole family is invited to enjoy raffles, giveaways, lunch, and refreshments. RSVP [HERE.](#)

### Hippity Hop Egg Hunt

**Sunday, March 24th 10am - 11:30am**

Runaway Playa Vista

12775 W Millennium Los Angeles, CA 90094



Calling all egg-hunt enthusiasts: Join us for a community-wide Easter egg hunt filled with excitement and surprises for everyone to enjoy! Egg hunt will begin at 10am followed by a story time at 10:30am. Bring your own basket! Get free tickets [HERE!](#)

### Kids Easter EGGstravaganza

**Saturday, March 30th 10:00am -12pm**

First Baptist Church of Long Beach

1000 Pine Ave. Long Beach, CA 90813



All kids up to 12 years old and their parents are invited to join for a fun-filled time of egg hunts, games, face painting, pictures with the Easter bunny, activities, and free lunch! Reserve your spot [HERE.](#)



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