



*Murrieta Valley High School
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Dear Parents,

Congratulations. Your son or daughter has excelled in academic excellence and therefore qualifies for membership in California Scholarship Federation. CSF is a state-wide organization that honors outstanding high school students. Membership in CSF is established each semester and emphasizes service in the school and the community while fostering pride in scholastic achievement.

Students in the second semester of the tenth grade and in grades eleventh through twelfth who meet the academic requirements are eligible for "semester" membership. Associate members are non-voting members honored in the first semester of their tenth grade year and second semester of their 9th grade year whose grades meet CSF requirements. Meetings are held in the library the 1st Wednesday of each month during lunch with our next **general meeting on September 6th at lunch in the Library**. We will have an informational meeting to help new members complete the application on Friday, September 8th in room 648 during lunch.

Our formal induction ceremony welcoming your student will be held later this school year in April. During graduation ceremonies, our eligible active members are recognized by their symbolic attire including member pin, gold cords and tassels in recognition of their academic excellence. In addition students who participate actively in CSF for at least 4 semesters are provided with a gold stole worn at the time of graduation, with the chapter seal† placed upon the diplomas of the Life (seal bearer) member students. The CSF achievement is indicated on the student's permanent high school transcript. Each year colleges and universities throughout the United States award scholarships to CSF members.

Guidelines for membership must be met for each qualifying semester. The student must apply for new membership by **Tuesday, November 1, 2017** for the current semester. The membership donation is \$8 each qualifying semester. In addition, CSF community involvement is a requirement for membership in CSF. There are many opportunities to earn CSF community service points during each semester through tutoring, community/sports activities and community service opportunities. CSF members assist other students on campus through tutoring in the library. Please see Mrs. Santelices, if you have a question regarding community involvement. In order to become a member, the student needs to meet with their counselor to obtain signed grade approval, submit their application to the Advisor in room 648 and submit the membership approval form to the bookkeeper. Grades earned in the second semester of the twelfth grade count toward life (seal bearer) membership. **Students must reapply each semester.**

I may be reached in room 648 or by e-mail at dsantelices@murrieta.k12.ca.us for questions. Please sign up for message reminders on **Remind 101 via text 81010 with @mvcsf2015** in the message body to receive important reminders. We look forward to a great year ahead in excellence and achievement.

Yours truly,
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