## Dear Students,

We are the Washington State Educational Access Coalition for HB 1079 Students. We are made up of faculty and staff from colleges, universities and other interested organizations around the state seeking to assess the services that are available to support non-United States citizens who are attending or may attend college through Washington State House Bill 1079. We want to educate providers, families, and policymakers about the issues facing undocumented students in higher education. Our Core Advisory Coalition Group is made up from partnerships of the following institutions: Washington State University, Eastern Washington University, Central Washington University, University of Washington, Seattle Community Colleges, Latino/a Educational Achievement Project (LEAP), and College Spark Washington. Our goal is to ensure that no student in Washington misses out on a college opportunity due to a lack of information.

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http://www.coalition.wsu.edu



# Undocumented Students...

- Cannot be denied admission to a Washington college or university based on immigration status.
- Are not required to show a state-issued ID and social security card to apply for admission to a Washington college or university.
- Are not required to show proof of legal residency status or proof of application for legal residency status.

The Federal Education and Privacy Act (FERPA) protects the privacy of student records at all educational institutions, including colleges and universities. FERPA requires that educational student records be kept confidential.

HB 1079 students and undocumented students enrolled at Washington state public colleges or universities have the right to access the same general services as other students.





## YOU CAN GO TO COLLEGE REGARDLESS OF YOUR

IMMIGRATION STATUS





## Dreamer to Dreamer

"I come from a poor family so education past the sixth grade doesn't exist. In the United States I have the chance to be someone, to be educated, to be successful, to be a better role model for my family regardless of whether I am rich or poor."

-Undocumented Student

Even though as an undocumented student you are not eligible for Federal Financial Aid there are many scholarships that do not require a social security number and for which you may qualify. Every institution has Advocates, people you can trust, you just have to find them. Filling out the affidavit opens the doors to these individuals who want to help undocumented students find ways to pay for school and graduate!

#### Tip

Every campus has Advocates, you just have to look for them.

The WE SHARE THE

DREAM logo means that this is someone you can trust.

### **HB 1079**

#### Who are the HB 1079?

A student is considered HB 1079 if: he/she is not a legal permanent resident; does not possess a green card, visa, or other legal documentation, including those born outside of the United States.

Washington State House Bill 1079 allows all undocumented students to pay in-state tuition rates if:

- The student earned a high school diploma or GED from a Washington State high school;
- He/She lived in Washington for at least three years prior to receiving a diploma or GED;
- The student has been accepted into a Washington state college or university;
- The student signs an affidavit stating they will apply for U.S. residency as soon as possible.

#### **Applying for College Admissions:**

- 1. Learn more about HB 1079.
- 2. Fill out the HB 1079 Affidavit form.
- 3. Fill out the Admissions application.
- **4.** Leave SSN# Blank or write 000-00-0000, fill out the citizenship question like this:
- ⇒"Are you a citizen?" Mark "No."
- ⇒"If not a U.S. Citizen, country of citizenship" List the country of citizenship.
- ⇒"If not a U.S. Citizen, what is your status?" Mark "other", write "HB 1079" in the blank.
- 5. Be aware that admissions procedures may be different at each institution just be proactive and ask questions.

#### **DACA**

#### **Deferred Action For Childhood Arrivals**

Deferred action means that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) agrees not to start deportation proceedings against an individual. If an individual is currently in the process of deportation, DHS agrees to drop their demand for deportation. People may apply for deferred action if they:

- Came to the U.S. under the age of 16;
- Are not above the age of 30;
- Have resided in the U.S. for 5 consecutive years as of June 15, 2012;
- Are currently in school, have graduated from high school, obtained a GED or have been honorably discharged from the armed forces; and
- Have not been convicted of a felony offense, a significant misdemeanor, multiple misdemeanors or who do not pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Once deferred action is granted, people may seek employment authorization, but it does not grant any kind of permanent residence, citizenship status, or amnesty.

http://www.dhs.gov/deferred-action-childhood-arrivals http://www.nwirp.org/Home.aspx



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Visit these websites for more information:

http://www.beyondhb1079.org/ http://www.thedreamisnow.org/ http://www.finaid.wsu.edu/1079.html