

Resolution F06.08 Support for the Health and Wellness Center

Whereas, ~~contemporary college health services are no longer just "bandaid stations," but rather the Crafton Hills College Health and Wellness Center is a critically important health and wellness centers service for educating college students about health risks issues that can interfere with their academic success and supporting the mission of Crafton Hills College career-technical programs;~~

Whereas, ~~research shows that community college students who use health and wellness services are more likely by 7.4% to transfer and complete a program of study than those students who do not use such services;~~

Whereas, CHC's diverse body of college students bring with them multiple health issues reflecting environmental and societal changes that 23% of them reported negatively impacted their academic performance;

Whereas, no low-cost medical clinic or public health service is available to CHC students in the surrounding community and 21% SBCCD students "often" or "very often" put off seeking medical care because they lack the means to pay for such;

Whereas, the students and faculty of Crafton Hills College value the services of the Health and Wellness Center ~~in that the number of students express the greatest satisfaction with its services and in as demonstrated by the fact~~ that the use such services continues to steadily increase, doubling in the past five years;

Whereas, ~~in 2005, for students who used the services of CHC Health and Wellness Center the course success rate was 22.8% greater than that of the average student and the persistence rate was 9% greater than that of the average student;~~

Whereas, ~~cutting the Health and Wellness budget to the 1986 level would result in the loss of 376 nurse hours and severely curtail health education and clinic services, especially to evening students;~~

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of Crafton Hills College support the goals, services and continued growth of the Health and Wellness Center and that we oppose any attempt to reduce funding for this department below the current 2006 - 2007 budgeted amount.