Bakersfield College to hold Community Forum discussing DACA and the future of Dreamers

DACA: Now What?

Bakersfield, CA—Bakersfield College is hosting a community forum to discuss recent announcements regarding the rescission of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The discussion will take place on Thursday, September 21st, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the Fire Side Room on the Bakersfield College campus. This event is free of charge, open to all students, their families, and the community at large. Light refreshments will be served.

Topics of Discussion
Topics of discussion will include an explanation of the DACA announcement on September 5th, 2017, key dates and the critical timeline for implementation, pending immigration legislation, a review of DACA students’ rights, and the next steps for DACA and AB 540 students. Information will also be provided regarding financial resources for students wishing to renew their DACA benefits. The forum will also hear from four panelists, each an immigration and criminal defense attorney. A question and answer session with the panelists will conclude the event.

“We at Bakersfield College serve our community as it is, embrace diversity in all its forms, and believe that every person has a right to access quality higher education. We believe that education builds an economically vibrant and healthy community,” says President Sonya Christian. “We will continue to uphold our commitment to a quality higher education to all of the students we serve, including the approximate 800 undocumented Renegades at BC.”