Dear Student:

As Governor of the State of California, President of the University of California and Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, we congratulate you on your decision to continue your education though the California Community College system and we urge you to set your sights on transferring to the University of California.

The State of California, the Community College system, and the University of California are collaborating to offer you a fantastic opportunity to help pioneer one of the country’s most innovative and enriching educational programs known as California Teach. Our state needs each and every one of you to become leaders in helping California meet the many challenges ahead – and it all begins with teachers.

We encourage you to consider becoming a K-12 science or mathematics teacher. The choice to join one of the noblest of professions is an important decision to touch the lives of thousands of California’s future leaders. Job opportunities for individuals who have completed a baccalaureate or higher degree in science, mathematics, or engineering and for highly-qualified K-12 science and mathematics teachers are abundant and are expected to remain that way for years to come.

California Teach, the largest initiative of its kind in the nation, is prepared to support you with teaching-related coursework and K-12 classroom experiences while you pursue your bachelor’s degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Since May 2005, California Teach has succeeded in recruiting exemplary science and mathematics teachers to mentor more than _____ STEM undergraduates considering teaching science and mathematics.

We need individuals with the intellect, determination and drive to keep California the national and international leader in science, mathematics, technology, and innovation. And we encourage you to share these qualities by joining those who work to inspire and education future generations.

The California Teach program varies from campus to campus. You can find information for your campus by contacting your community college advisor or by contacting the UC campus closest to you at http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/academic/1000teachers/. We hope you will consider taking part in this exceptional opportunity and becoming part of California Teach.