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## **El Camino College to Sponsor a Free Parent Conference**

El Camino College's Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS) will present a free conference designed to help parents support college-bound students.

Empowering Parents Conference 2008 is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. May 3 and is sponsored by the EOPS Early Start Program. Participants will learn how they can be a key force in guiding their children toward a college career, while learning how education can truly make a difference in their children's lives.

Keynote speakers are Darlene V. Willis and Marsha R. Dodson. Willis is the dean of students for California State University, San Diego. She has worked in higher education for the past 19 years and serves as the co-host of the College Bound Educational Radio Program. She is also co-founder and president of Concerned Parents Alliance, Inc. Dodson is vice chair of Concerned Parents Alliance, Inc. and chair of its educational component, College Bound San Diego. She is also co-host of the College Bound Radio Program.

The first 100 people to register for this free conference will receive "Empowering Parents" book and CD.

To register or for more information, call 310-660-6195.

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