# **California Scholarship Federation**

Campolindo High School, Chapter No. 715

## Frequently Asked Questions:

#### • What is the California Scholarship Federation?

 The California Scholarship Federation (CSF) is a statewide organization whose mission is to recognize and encourage academic achievement by high school students.
Membership in CSF is through high school chapters whose members meet established eligibility requirements

#### • How do I join CSF?

 Eligible students become members by submitting an application based on grades earned from the previous semester. Membership is for one semester and students must reapply each semester.

#### • Can membership take place retroactively? Can I join without submitting an application?

 CSF membership is neither automatic or compulsory. Students must apply during the open application period each semester.

#### • What are the benefits of joining?

Students who join CSF can add the distinction to resumes and both work and college applications. Students who are members for four of their last six semesters of high school (with at least one semester coming from grades earned during the senior year) earn "Lifetime Membership." Lifetime members are given a gold cord that is worn at graduation that recognizes their consistently strong performance throughout high school.

### • <u>Is there a fee to join CSF?</u>

 Dues will only be collected during a student's senior year if they have attained Lifetime Membership status. The fee charged will cover the cost of materials used to recognize students at the graduation ceremony.

#### • Can freshmen join CSF?

 Freshmen can join CSF using grades earned from either semester of their ninth grade year, but they are considered "Associate Members" and these semesters of membership do not count towards Lifetime Membership. Only grades earned from the 10th grade through 12th grade can be used towards achieving Lifetime Membership.