



The First Three Weeks

Case Study

Sid is excited about starting classes at COCC...but also a little nervous.

Sid knows completing a degree will build key knowledge, a strong resume, and job skills. However, Sid is less than confident about earning good grades. Sid also knows that developing time management skills is important, but is not sure how to do that.

Sid has a few loose ends to figure out going into the start of the term, such as reliable transportation, understanding how and where to get books, and finding classrooms.

Sid registered for orientation and enrolled in a College Success course. Sid is uneasy about how much time it might take to adjust to college and be academically successful. Sid is nervous about the start of classes, and wonders what can be done to make life less stressful and more organized.

Group Discussion Questions

1. As Sid gets ready for classes, what might be Sid's challenges and concerns?
2. In addition to attending orientation and enrolling in a College Success course, what other actions might Sid take to ease the fear of earning good grades, increasing time management skills, and connecting with the COCC community?