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2009-2010 ACADEMIC COMPETITIVENESS GRANT (ACG) VERIFICATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the top section of this form and have the cognizant authority (principal) or designee of your high school complete the bottom section of the form.

 Last Name First Name M.I.

 Street Address City State Zip

 Name of High School Date of Graduation (MM/YYYY) SS#

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I hereby authorize the high school principal or designee authority to release information regarding my high school transcript and/or academic records to Los Angeles Valley College.

 Student's Signature Date

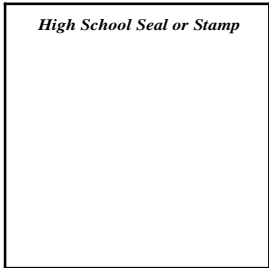
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL COGNIZANT AUTHORITY OR DESIGNEE

INSTRUCTIONS: The student identified above may be eligible for the Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG) based on verification of the student's completion of a high school rigorous course of study. Please complete the bottom section of this form and either **have the student hand carry the form in a sealed envelope to the college** or mail the completed form to Los Angeles Valley College, Financial Aid Office, 5800 Fulton Ave., Valley Glen, CA 91401.

The student identified above graduated from _____ on _____ and completed the following rigorous course of study (see back for details):
 Name of High School MMYYYY

- _____ California Golden State Seal Merit Diploma
- _____ Set of courses similar to the State Scholars Initiative
- _____ Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and test scores
 AP exam# _____ Score _____ AP exam# _____ Score _____
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- _____ International Baccalaureate exam scores _____
- _____ Completed the California A-G Requirements
- _____ Did not complete a rigorous course of study (see back for details)



If the student graduated from high school outside of California, complete the following:
 _____ Completed a rigorous course of study in the state of _____
 The name of the rigorous course of study is _____

 Print name of High School Cognizant Authority or Designee Area Code and Telephone Number

 Signature of High School Cognizant Authority or Designee Date

See reverse side for Rigorous Programs Approved for California



California Recognized Rigorous Secondary School Programs of Study

The options for eligibility for the 2009-2010 school year for a student from California are:

- ***The California Golden State Seal Merit Diploma***
- ***A set of courses similar to the State Scholars Initiative.*** This program of study requires passing grades in the following courses:
 - 4 years of English;
 - 3 years of Math (including Algebra I and a higher level course such as Algebra II, geometry, or data analysis and statistics);
 - 3 years of science (including at least two courses from biology, chemistry or physics);
 - 3 years of social studies; and
 - 1 year of a foreign language other than English.
- ***Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and test scores.*** This program requires a minimum of two Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses in high school and a minimum passing score on the exams for those classes. Students must score 3 or higher on AP exams and 4 or higher on IB exams.
- ***California A-G Requirements.*** This program is available to students who complete the normal course requirements for the A-G requirements for admission to the UC or CSU, or complete a modified version of the A-G requirements for admission to the UC and CSU, in which a year-long, career technical education course that meets or exceeds the rigorous academic content standards approved by the State Board of Education may substitute for one of the courses that counts toward completion of the “G” requirement
 - A. History/Social Science: 2 years required. Two years of history/social science selected from world history, cultures and geography; U.S. history; or, a combination of U.S. History, American government/civics, and economics equal to one year; and
 - B. English: 4 years required. Four years of college-preparatory English that includes frequent and regular writing, and reading of classic and modern literature. No more than one year of ESL-type courses can be used to meet this requirement; and
 - C. Mathematics: 3 years required. Three years of college-preparatory mathematics that includes the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry. Approved integrated math courses may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement; and
 - D. Laboratory Science: 2 years required. Two years of laboratory science chosen from biology, chemistry, physics, or physical science. Advanced laboratory science classes that have biology, chemistry or physics as prerequisites and offer substantial additional material may be used to fulfill this requirement. Two years of an approved integrated science program may be used to fulfill this requirement; and
 - E. Language other than English: 2 years required. Two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading, composition and culture; and
 - F. Visual and Performing Arts: 1 year required. A single year long approved arts course from a single VPA discipline: dance, drama/theater, music or visual art. Courses used to fulfill this requirement must satisfy the five State standards for artistic perception, creative expression, historical and cultural context, aesthetic valuing, and connections, relations and application; and
 - G. College Preparatory Electives: 1 year required. One year, in addition to those required in “A-F” above, chosen from the following areas: visual and performing arts (non-introductory level courses), history, social science, English, advanced mathematics, laboratory science and language other than English (a third year in the language used for the “E” requirement or two years of another language).