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As we enter June, we enter a month of celebrations. "June" is also the month between "planting" and "growing" and for us it is the month of "commencement" when our students begin the next chapter in their academic/career journey. But our "planting" continues, as with the photo below – 25 Foothill students and their counselors from the Umoja, Puente, EOPS, and Honors programs, who were on a tour of Stanford University, in preparation for their enrollment in Stanford's summer session. Our students are in the inaugural class of community college students selected by Stanford to attend the summer session and the \$3,700 tuition and \$545 in fees will be waived. The university will also offer a \$50 stipend towards materials and include free parking. I had the opportunity to greet them at the Stanford Faculty Club where they had light refreshments as the tour was conducted when we had 90+ degree heat last week! They will join me again in August for lunch, for their "graduation" upon completion of their 3 unit course. They had a myriad of courses from which to choose, ranging from anthro, math, physics, oral comm, soc, philosophy, computer science, and engineering. Laurie Scolari and Roosevelt Charles, got a "random email" in January from the Summer Session director, with the invitation to our students, and of course, they accepted on their behalf. Then our Umoja, Puente, EOPS, and Honors leaders got together to select the students, and they will also shepherd them through the summer experience. One of our selected students started Foothill through our Family Engagement Institute which serves our most underserved groups in the county. Wish this entire group every success in their new journey!



Best regards,

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