Engaging for Success
Parent Panel

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SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY
Purpose of the Panel

• Meet parents of students with different needs

• Hear the experiences and journeys of college students with different needs

• Consider how we are meeting the needs of all of our students at San José State University
Welcome!

Image of West San Carlos gate on San José State Campus
Introductions

• Lara Kassab, Teacher Education SJSU (moderator)
• Debra Caires, College of Science SJSU
• Kenneth Peter, Political Science and Humanities SJSU
• Maureen Kelley, Geography & Global Sciences SJSU
Question 1:

• Please tell us a little about your child.
• What do they like to do?
• What is special about her or him?
Question 2:

• Please briefly describe your child’s journey to college.
Question 3:

• What have your child’s teachers/professors done that has supported your child’s success?
Question 4:

• If you had one request for all teachers/professors on behalf of students with different needs, what would it be?
Audience Questions
Suggestions for Supporting Students:

• Provide electronic access to class materials
• Provide multi-media resources for students
• Consider how you can differentiate student products that demonstrate learning
• Use captioning when showing video clips
• Explore color schemes (such as green on yellow) and clarity of layout in media presentations
• ASK students what you can do and have a non-threatening venue for them to answer (e.g., anonymous suggestion box)
• Have electronic class discussions so all voices can be heard