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Congressman Joins Conversation on Proposed Program Cuts

Rep. Jay Inslee will join a conversation at South Seattle Community College about access to college for all students.

The gathering was spurred by the White House's 2006 budget, which cuts all funding to Educational Talent Search and Upward Bound. The two federally-funded programs allow South to serve 650 students that might have never considered college and build the family tradition of higher education. According to the U.S. Department of Education, one-third of college graduates from low income families have participated in the Educational Talent Search and the Upward Bound programs.

Joining Rep. Inslee will be college staff from Educational Talent Search and Upward Bound, current students/participants, alumni, parents, and high school educators, including Principal John Boyd from Chief Sealth High School. The event is also co-sponsored by the University of Washington.

South's Educational Talent Search and Upward Bound programs serve schools throughout the area. In the Seattle school district West Seattle, Chief Sealth, Cleveland, and Middle College High Schools, Career Link Academy and Denny Middle School are served, and in the Highline school district Evergreen and Tyee High Schools are served.

For more information on TRIO programs, visit <http://www.trioprograms.org>.

What: "A Conversation with Rep. Jay Inslee and Friends"

Where: Olympic Hall Auditorium at South Seattle Community College

When: Wednesday, June 1, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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