

Dear College Students:

My name is Andrea Thom, and I am President of the California Council of the Blind Students group. We are an affiliate of the California Council of the Blind (CCB), which is based in Sacramento. Our members are students from all over California and we work together to share resources, scholarships and solutions for students. We strive to make sure we've received an adequate education for when we apply for jobs. I am inviting you to join us in our team of students through our monthly call and sharing your ideas, problems and solutions with the rest of us. As visually impaired students we need to work together to ensure our success for the future!

When you become a member of the California Council of the Blind Students (CCBS) you gain membership in our national organization, the American Council of the Blind (ACB), and its national student affiliate, the American Council of the Blind Students. This may seem quite a mouthful, but membership into our students group brings you in contact with many different people and possible resources. For example, your benefits include copies of the CCB newsletter, The Blind Californian, and the ACB newsletter, The Braille Forum. You can also receive peer support and advocacy assistance. To learn more about ACB, you can download the ACB Link App.

Dues are waived for your first year of membership! You can be involved to the extent you feel comfortable, but I can guarantee you once you find out how much you gain from learning from others you will not regret your decision to join CCBS. I hope that you will consider joining us in our work.

Please email or call me if you have any questions about our group or would like the phone number to call into our monthly calls. They are typically held the first Sunday of each month at 7:30pm.

Sincerely,  
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