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### The Recipe for Success

What makes a successful community college student? This is a very good question that I have an answer for. In order to be a successful community college student, there are five main attributes it is essential to possess. These attributes are dedication, respect, honesty, health and happiness, and good character. If a student possesses and utilizes all five of these attributes, then they are fit for achieving easy success in community college.

To begin with, the first of these valuable attributes is dedication. Without dedication, it is nearly impossible to be successful. A student who is dedicated has the drive to succeed. Without the drive to succeed, there is no point in putting your best work into something. A dedicated student always does their best and are very hardworking. They stay focused and prepared by taking notes, asking questions, following instructions, checking their email daily, and studying often. When help is needed, they seek it out from their instructors, advisors, and anyone they look up to who has authority. Most importantly, a dedicated student manages their time wisely.

Next, after dedication comes respect. This is the second attribute a successful student should possess. Without giving respect, a student will have trouble getting respect. A respectful student treats instructors, faculty, and other students in ways that do not offend, belittle, or roughhouse. A respectful student respects due dates for their assignments. They always attend class on time unless there is an emergency. If they cannot make it to class because of an emergency, they inform their instructors ahead of time and then provide evidence for their emergency if possible. Being disrespectful most likely will result in others seeing you as careless, rude, and self-centered. This is not how you want to be seen by anyone, and it is certainly not how a successful student is seen.

Furthermore, the third attribute that a successful student should possess is honesty. Without honesty, a student is not their own. A dishonest student makes things up about themselves like where they were, who they are, or what they did. An honest student is trustworthy and seen as who they truly are. They never plagiarize; all their work is their own. They do not make excuses for their mistakes (yes, even successful students make mistakes), they take ownership for them and look for ways to make things right. Honesty is very important outside of education which makes it even more important inside of education.

Moreover, the fourth attribute that a successful student should possess is happiness and health. Happiness and health go hand in hand which is why I counted them as one attribute. It is very hard to be healthy when you are not happy; it is very hard to be happy when you are not healthy. A happy and healthy student takes breaks, spends time with family and friends, eats well, sleeps often, keeps clean, exercises, and seeks entertainment. All these activities refresh your mind and body making you happier and healthier. Without happiness and health, it is awfully hard to do all of the work that is required of full-time college students.

Lastly, the fifth and final attribute that a student should possess in order to be successful in community college is good character. It is difficult to be successful if you do not have good character. Of course, you can still get good grades and be successful academically, but you also want who you are the inside to be successful as well. Good character comes in many forms but having a kind and loving heart is the key to it all. If you have a heart such as this, good character is already present. Anyone can learn how to have a kind and loving heart. If they want it badly enough, they will get it.

Finally, everyone has the capability of attaining these five attributes that are essential to possess in order to be a successful community college student. With the correct teaching and practice, anyone can become a dedicated, respectful, honest, and happy and healthy person with good character. It is not hard to find the correct teaching and to practice what you have learned if you really desire these five attributes and set your mind to attain them. Dedication, respect, honesty, health and happiness, and good character is what makes a successful community college student. If you possess and utilize these attributes, you have the recipe for success. So, shop for your ingredients and start cooking!