

## SALLIE MAE TO VISIT PETROLANE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Press Release

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## Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach Host Workshop on Finding Money for College

**Long Beach, California** - On April 3, Sallie Mae, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing information on how to pay for attending college, will bring their scholarship bus to the John C. Wallace/Petrolane Boys & Girls Club to do a presentation on Finding Funding for College. A light dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. with the presentation following from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. A \$1,000 scholarship will be given away as well as other premiums. This is the only appearance of the Sallie Mae bus in the South Bay.

There will also be representatives available from local colleges to talk to students individually on how to apply to each particular school and explain resources the school has available to support students. Students who are members of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach will be able to sign up for campus visits. The public library system will also have resources available for finding nontraditional funding for college.

"This is the first time the Clubs have hosted an event of this type and this is an incredible opportunity for local youth" said Executive Director, Don Rodriguez. "Many of our Club members will be the first ones in their families to go to college and they need support taking this step to become successful adults."

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach have provided after school programs to the Long Beach community for 66 years. Ten Club sites are operating in the most economically challenged areas of the City. The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach is to provide a positive, safe, and nurturing environment where youth from ages 6 to 18 are encouraged to become responsible members of the community. Membership is \$15 a year and is available to youth from ages 6 to 18. Call 562-595-5945 for additional information. The address of the John C. Wallace/Petrolane Boys & Girls Club is 1920 Lemon Street. The workshop will be held in the gym.