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California College Guidance Initiative Update

Cradle-to-Career Data System Governing Board Presentation

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Three Big Objectives

CCGI manages CaliforniaColleges.edu, the State of California's official college and career planning platform for 6th-12th grade students enrolled in public schools. CaliforniaColleges.edu can be used to close equity gaps by:

1. Systematizing college and career knowledge development for 6th-12th grade students.
2. Streamlining the college and financial aid application process for students and the educators supporting them.
3. Providing educators with the data they need to:
 - Maximize course placement during high school.
 - Inform high stakes decisions about admissions, placement, advising, financial aid, and supportive services as students transition to college.



CaliforniaColleges.edu Overview

CaliforniaColleges.edu is the State of California's official college and career planning platform.

We provide students with:



- Career Exploration Tools
- College and Major Search Tools
- College, Career, and Financial Aid Lessons
- CSU and UC Eligibility Tools
- College and financial aid application integrations

We provide educators with:



- College and career planning tools *in one place*
- Ability to track student progress and better target interventions
- Data and reporting tools to help districts comply with regulatory requirements

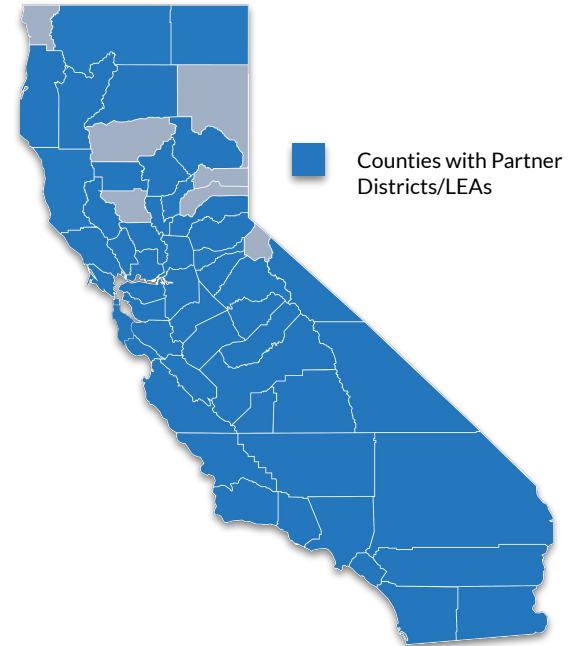


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Universal Access to CaliforniaColleges.edu

One goal of the Cradle-to-Career Data System legislation is to make CaliforniaColleges.edu available to every school district, student, and educator in California by 2026.

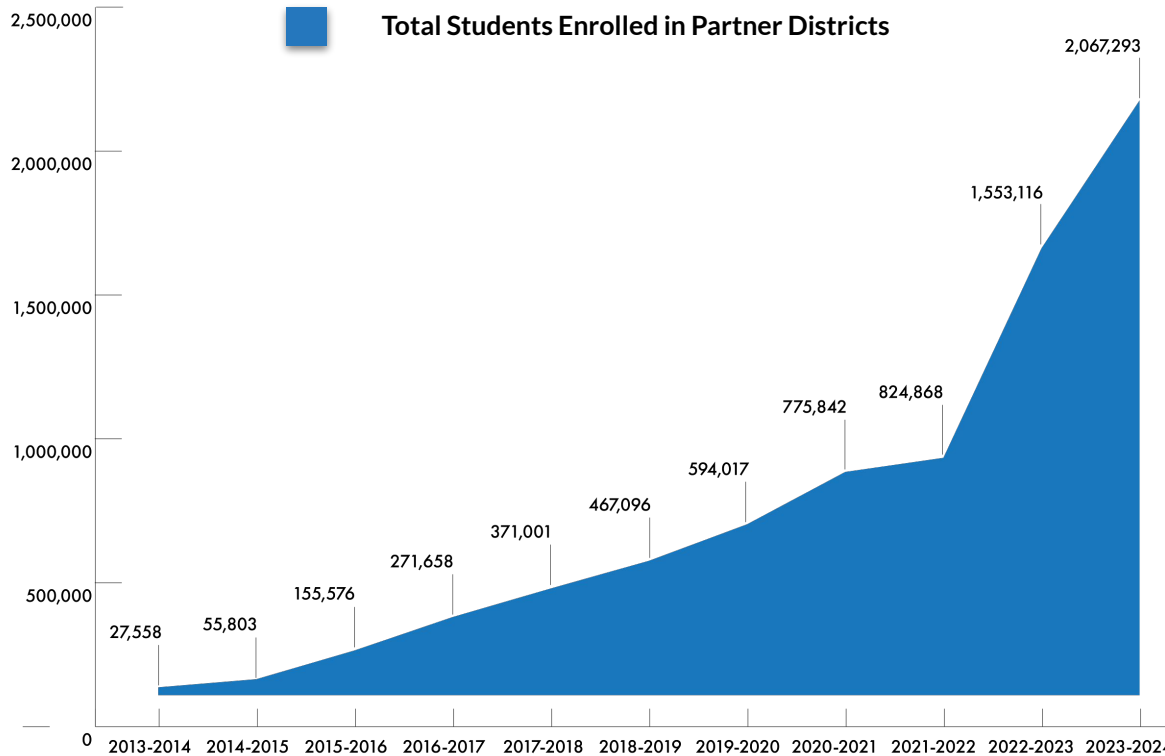
319	Partner Districts and Local Education Agencies (LEAs)
2M+	6th-12th grade public school students in California enrolled in a Partner District/LEA
75	Districts/LEAs in the pipeline for partnership by end of Fall 2024
500K	Additional 6th-12th grade public school students in the pipeline who will be enrolled in a Partner District/LEA by end of Fall 2024



Data accurate as of October 2024.



Partner Progression Graph





Basic Account Expansion: CDE

California's public school students in 6th-12th grade not otherwise served through Partner Accounts now have access to Basic Accounts based on CALPADS data.

- ▶ These accounts are available as of **Fall 2024**.
- ▶ Students, educators, and other users who have **Basic Accounts** are able to use many of the tools which do not require transcript data on CaliforniaColleges.edu.
- ▶ CDE has developed the [CCGI Flash](#) communication series to provide information on partnership with CCGI and expanded Basic Account access to LEAs.



For more information on the account types, please [review the Comparison of Partner Accounts vs Basic Accounts](#).

Overview of Updates to California Education Code Related to CCGI

Signed on June 29, 2024



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SB 153: Summary of Changes

California State Education Code was updated in Summer 2024 with the following:



All districts serving 9th-12th grade students must **provide “transcript-informed” accounts to their students** ; requires LEAs to **enter data-sharing agreement with CCGI** by January 1, 2026.



To support LEAs, requires **School Information System (SIS) vendors to comply** with the **California High School Transcript and Student Record Portability Standard (“Standard”)** and its **associated Data Specification (“Spec”)** and build an API, without passing any associated costs onto LEAs.



Using reports and technical assistance from CCGI, districts must **maintain 90% alignment of A-G coursework** with the **Course Management Portal (CMP)** .



California School Information Services (CSIS) will **notate SIS providers' compliance with the transcript Standard and Spec** and the format in which they can pass data to CCGI.



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Learn More About SB 153



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- ▶ **Scan the QR code to download our guide** on California Education Code changes related to CCGI.

Updates on Implementation: Transcript Data



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California High School Transcript and Student Record Portability Standard

Cal. Ed. Code § 60900.5 requires CCGI to provide:

(8) Transcripts processed in near real time with the California Community Colleges, the California State University, the University of California, and the Student Aid Commission, using an application programming interface.

To facilitate the work, CCGI developed the **California High School Transcript and Student Record Portability Standard** and its associated **Data Specification**.



California High School Transcript and Student Record Portability Standard

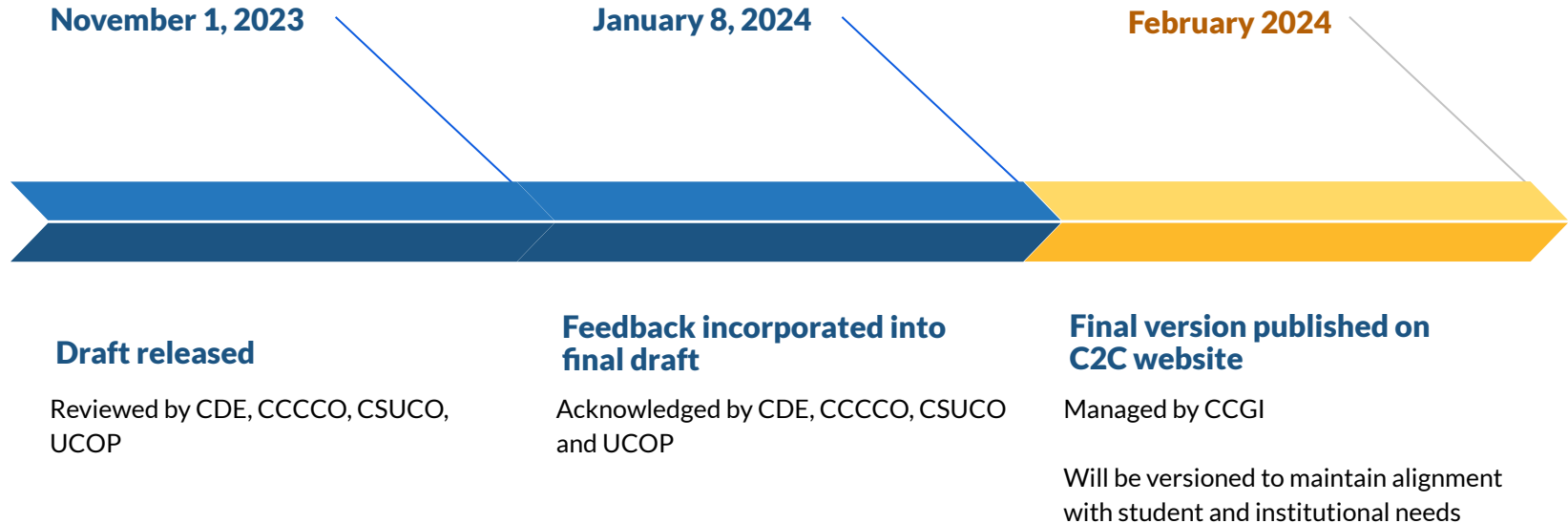
Why develop a standard?

- ▶ **Reduces administrative burden** for students navigating systems.
- ▶ **Creates uniform guidance** for how transcript data should be managed and shared electronically.
- ▶ **Facilitates alignment** across educational systems and the SIS providers serving them.



California High School Transcript and Student Record Portability Standard

How the Standard Was Developed:





Learn More About the Standard



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- ▶ **Scan the QR code** to access the Cradle-to-Career Data System’s Standards Repository, which houses the California High School Transcript and Student Record Portability Standard (“the Standard”) and its associated Specification (“the Spec”).

Updates on Implementation: Work with Student Information System Vendors



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Leveraging the Capacity of SIS Vendors

- ▶ **California Education Code Section 49083.5** requires SIS vendors to incorporate the data elements included in the the Standard and Spec and share that data to CCGI without passing any associated costs onto the LEAs.
 - Each SIS vendor is required to host an API to transmit the elements in the Spec to CCGI.
- ▶ **California School Information Services (CSIS)** will publish SIS vendors' compliance.





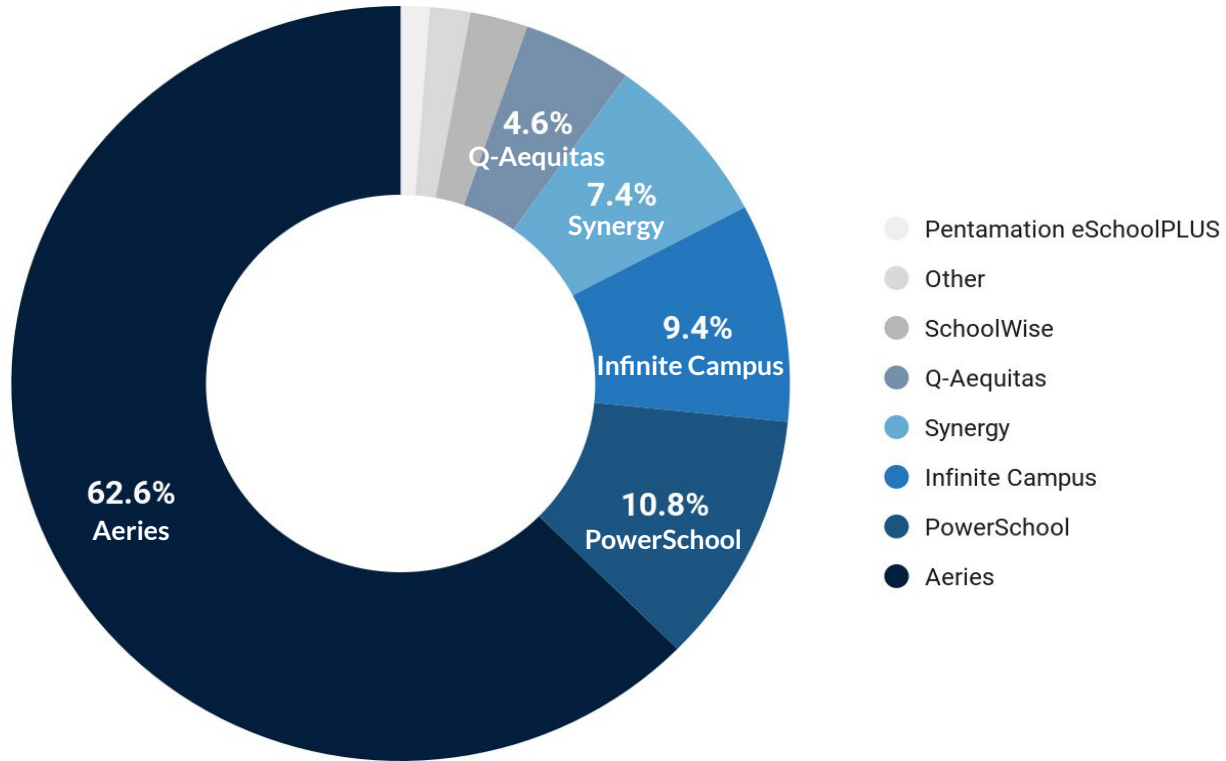
SIS Vendor Capability Procedure Publication and CCGI SIS Vendor Matrix

How the CCGI SIS Vendor Matrix will roll out:





Targeted Market Share By SIS Provider





Learn More About the SIS Vendor Capabilities Procedure



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- ▶ **Scan the QR code** to access the SIS Vendor Capabilities Procedures presentation and documentation.

Updates on Implementation: CMP Course Clean Up



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What is A-G Misalignment?

A-G mismatch occurs when the way an A-G subject area course is listed in a district's Student Information System (SIS) doesn't align with the way it is listed in the Course Management Portal (CMP).

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Impact of CMP-Misaligned Courses

CaliforniaColleges.edu provides real-time data that helps inform educators' decisions about student coursework, guidance, and support.

This helps ensure that more students are able to successfully transition from high school to higher education.

Alignment with the CMP helps minimize:



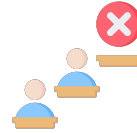
Workloads of educators and counselors during application season



Number of students who do not get credit for courses completed



Time required for students to complete their Cal State Apply and UC Application(s)



Number of qualified students whose admission is delayed or denied due to data errors beyond their control



A-G Alignment Support

CCGI provides technical assistance help LEAs ensure that courses indicated as fulfilling A-G requirements match the CMP.

- ▶ California Education Code 60900(g) now requires that LEAs maintain at least a 90% rate of alignment between A-G coursework, as listed in the local SIS, and how those courses are registered in the UC Course Management Portal A-G course list.
- ▶ CCGI is offering course clean up events at the county level with **134 LEAs across 33 counties participating so far in 2024.**
 - CCGI has a dedicated Technical Assistance team to support districts in improving their CMP match rate.
 - CaliforniaColleges.edu reporting features help educators identify and resolve issues with their CMP list that may impact eligibility for students.



Learn More About CMP Course Clean Up



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- ▶ **Scan the QR code** to access the CMP Course Clean Up presentation.

Updates on Implementation: System Partner Progress



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Continuous Improvement with Higher Education System Partners

Functionality Enhancements and Increased Data-Sharing

▶ **University of California**

- Application integration updated! Students can now import courses and grades
- Final transcript receipt pilot planning underway for 2025

▶ **California State University**

- Lumina Grant: Great Admission Redesign to offer Direct Admission
- Regional Engagement Meetings held on campuses throughout the state

▶ **California Community Colleges**

- Updated SOW signed for expanded data sharing: pre-populating CCCApply, transcripts to campuses to target supportive services, and exchange of dual enrollment data



And More to Come...

There are several exciting developments underway!

▶ California Student Aid Commission

- We are excited to continue to partner with them as they roll out the Student Success Blueprint, their strategic vision for the future.
- Work is underway for enhanced data sharing, report development, and establishment of an MOU for joint content creation for students.

Questions and Comments



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Additional Information



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Applications (2023-2024 Academic Year)



Institution	Connected Applications
California Community Colleges	158,377
California State University	162,746
University of California	130,158
FAFSA/California Dream Act	21,558



What A-G Misalignment Looks Like

CMP Misalignment inhibits successful electronic data transmission and may prevent CSU and UC campuses from recognizing A-G approved coursework.



In SIS	In CMP
Transcript Abbreviation: Wrld Hist Local Course Code: 30125	Transcript Abbreviation: World History Local Course Code: [None Listed]
Transcript Abbreviations: Algebra 2A and Algebra 2B Local Course Codes: 1004S1 and 1004S2	Transcript Abbreviation: Algebra II Local Course Code: 1004
Transcript Abbreviation: English II Local Course Code: 4538ENGL	Transcript Abbreviation: English II/4538ENGL Local Course Code: [None Listed]

