

Introducing CaliforniaColleges.edu

Napa Valley Unified School District

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The Official College & Career Planning
Platform of the State of California

California College Guidance Initiative

Who We Are

- State-funded nonprofit.
- Manager of **CaliforniaColleges.edu**.
- Critical part of infrastructure for the **Cradle-to-Career** system.

Why We're Here

- To smooth the path to college and career for all California students.
- To ensure equitable outcomes for all students, especially the underserved.

What We Do

- College and career planning.
- Capacity building.
- Provide data-informed tools to students, parents, and educators.

Visit the **Cradle-to-Career Website**



What is CaliforniaColleges.edu?

California's official college and career planning platform.



Built for Californians Designed to meet the specific needs of California students, parents, educators, and school districts.



Connects California Systems The only platform integrated with all three state public higher education systems (CCC, CSU, UC) and the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC).



Written into California Ed. Code CaliforniaColleges.edu is authorized service provider for all California school districts.



Funded by the State of California CaliforniaColleges.edu is funded by the State of California through Proposition 98.



Critical part of infrastructure for the California's Cradle-to-Career system AB 132 outlines specific steps in order to implement the Cradle-to-Career System and realize its objectives, including making CaliforniaColleges.edu tools and services free to all California school districts serving 6-12th grade students and designating CaliforniaColleges.edu as the preferred starting point for all applications to California public colleges, FAFSA and CADAA.

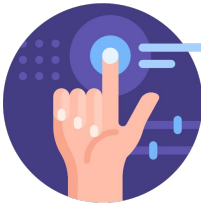
Our Role in Recovery with Equity

CaliforniaColleges.edu is an infrastructure that can help your collaborative make significant progress on four of the Strategies from the [Recovery with Equity Report](#):



Student Retention through Inclusive Support

Free tier one tools and resources to all 6-12 grade students and educators in California. We also partner with school districts to further support data monitoring and targeted student interventions.



High Tech, High Touch Advising

We provide comprehensive, customized sets of lessons and tools for students, actionable reporting for educators, and streamlined intersegmental processes.



College Preparation and Early Credit

We provide “a-g” coursework verification and eligibility tracking for CSU and UC, as well as support implementation of the A-G Completion and Improvement Grants.



College Affordability

We provide lessons and tools to help students understand their financial aid options and submit their FAFSA or California Dream Act Application, as well as support implementation of AB 469 and AB 2015.

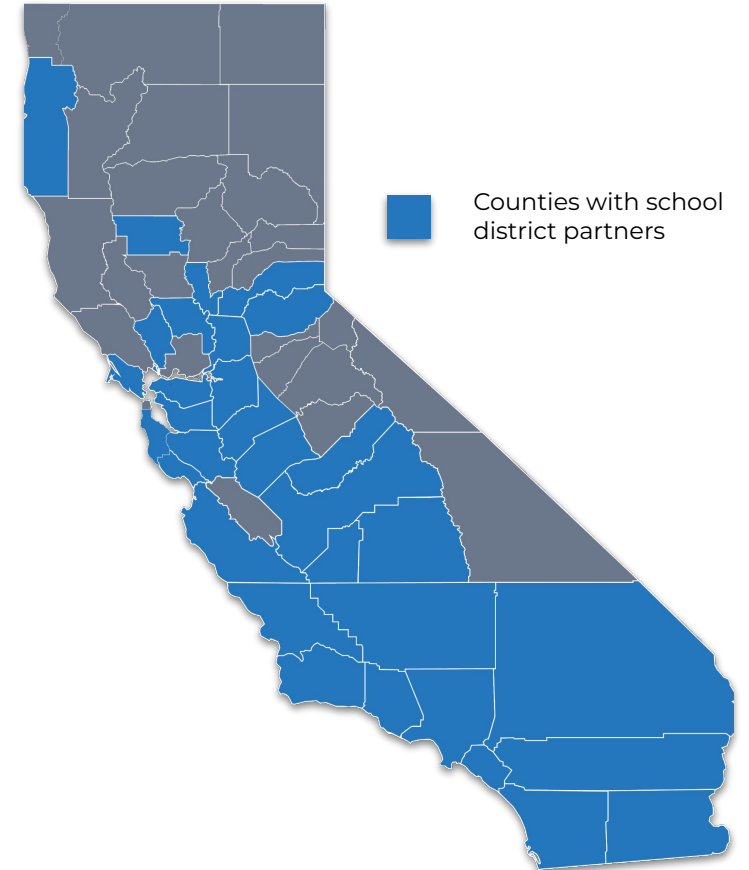


CCGI Partner Districts

More than **50%** of California's high school students are enrolled in a school district that has partnered with CCGI.

Our Partner Districts include nearly **200 school districts** and serve more than **1 million 9th-12th grade students** in California.

And each year, our partner list continues to grow!



▼ See who our Partner Districts are ▼

californiacolleges.edu/learnmore/list-of-partner-districts/

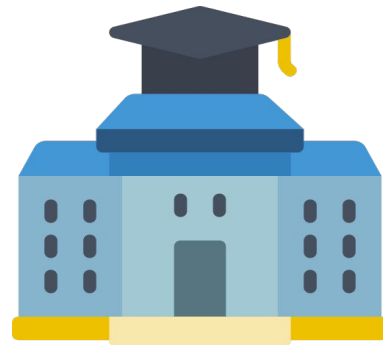
What is CaliforniaColleges.edu?

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

Benefits of a CaliforniaColleges.edu account include access to free tools to help students with:



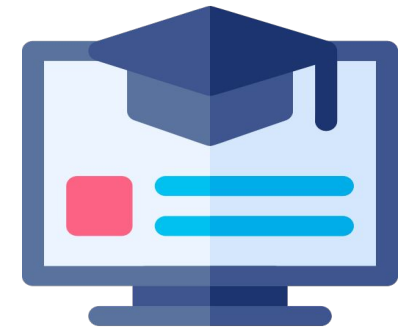
**Career
Planning**



**College
Planning**



**Financial
Aid**



**Progress
Tracking**

What Tools are Available on CaliforniaColleges.edu?

CaliforniaColleges.edu provides tools to empower students and educators alike.

| We provide students with:



- Career exploration tools
- College and major search tools
- Financial aid lessons
- CSU/UC eligibility tools
- College and financial aid application integration

| We provide educators with:



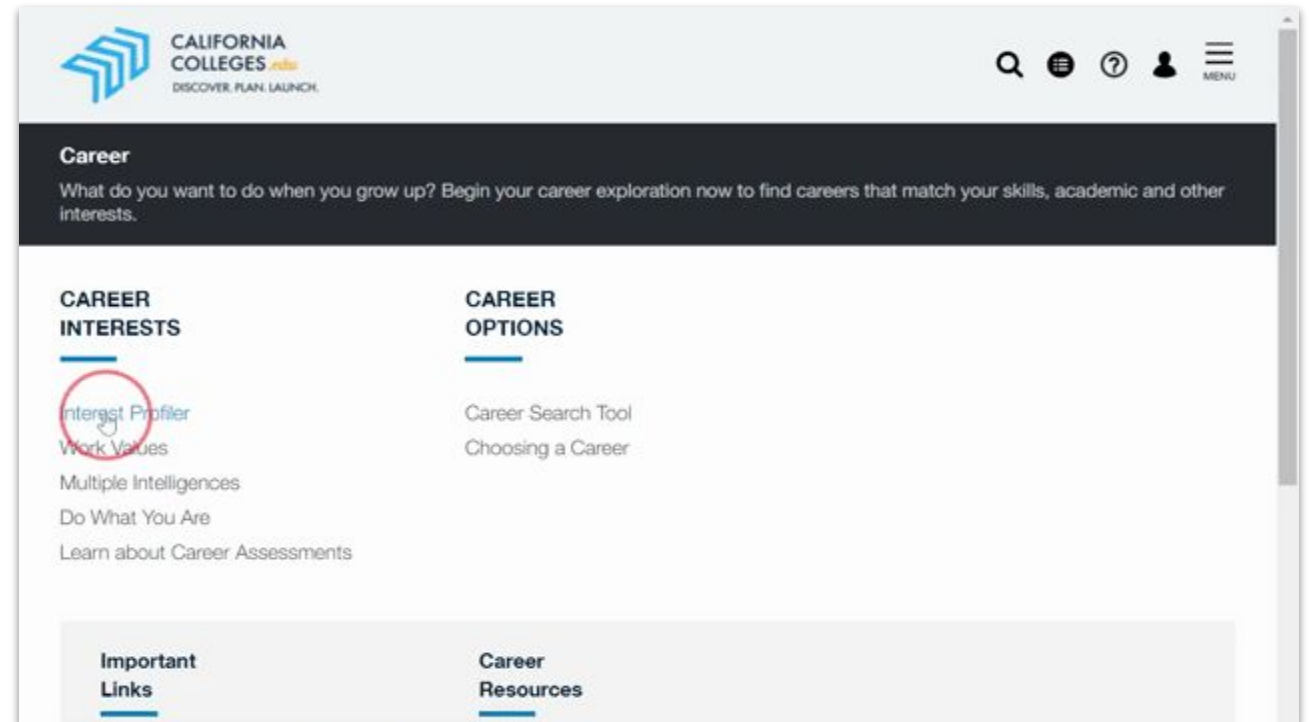
- College and career planning tools *in one place*
- Ability to track student progress and better target interventions
- Data and reporting tools to help districts comply with regulatory requirements

Career Assessments

Our career assessments can help students identify their values, interests, learning styles, and personalities and learn how they can connect to fulfilling careers.

Our assessments include:

- ▶ Interest Profiler
- ▶ Work Values
- ▶ Learning & Productivity
- ▶ Intelligences
- ▶ Personality
- ▶ Skills





Career Search Tool

Our Career Search Tool helps students find the right career path by figuring out what they want to be and what it will take for them to get there.

CaliforniaColleges.edu allows students to:

- ▶ Explore careers that match their interests.
- ▶ Learn what careers involve.
- ▶ See what kind of pay and growth potential jobs offer.
- ▶ Understand what education and skills they will need to pursue their career of choice.

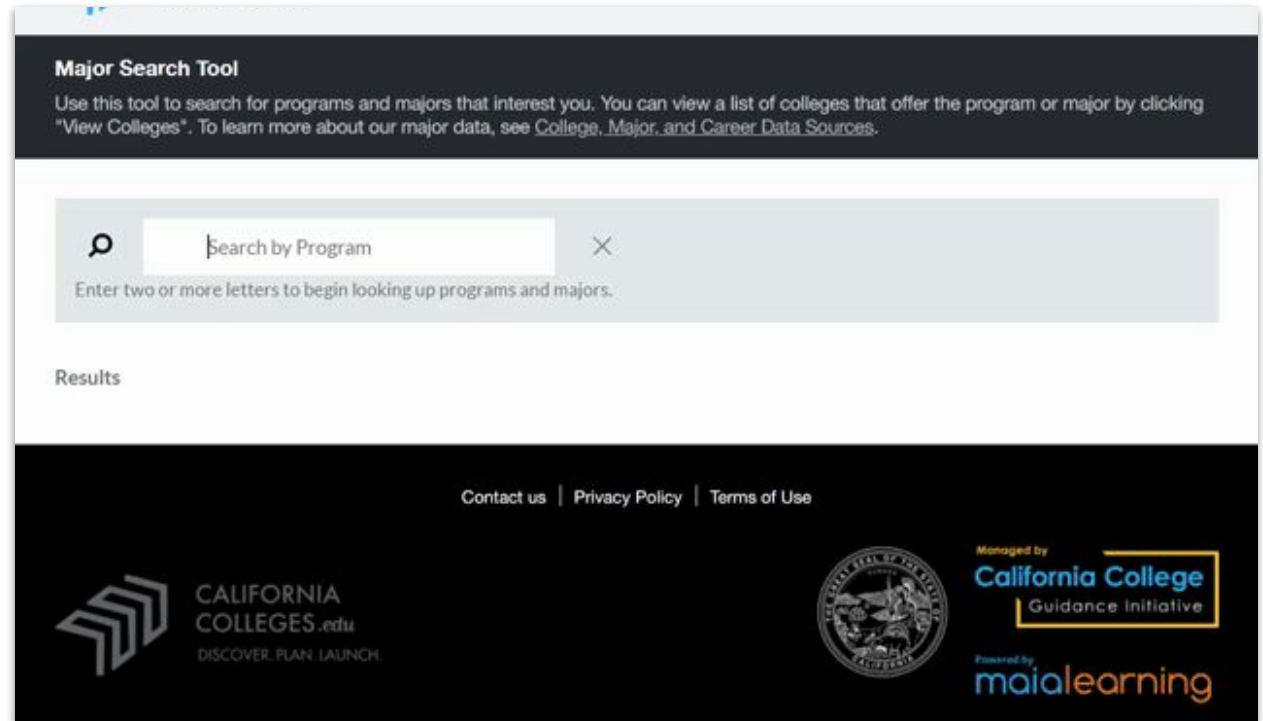
A screenshot of the Career Search Tool interface. At the top, there is a dark header with the title "Career Search Tool" and a brief description: "Explore careers that match your interests. Find careers by using the keyword search or the Industry and Bright Outlook filters. To learn more about our career data, see [College, Major, and Career Data Sources](#)." Below the header, there are three search input areas. The first is a text input field containing "Scientist" with a blue "Search" button below it. The second is a dropdown menu labeled "Select Industry" with a blue "Search" button below it. The third is a dropdown menu labeled "Select Bright Outlook Occupation" with a blue "Search" button below it. At the bottom left, it says "Results 179" and at the bottom right, there is a dark "Compare" button. A small "Compare" button with an information icon is also visible at the very bottom left.

College and Major Search Tools

Our College and Major Search Tools allow students to find what majors will help them achieve their career goals and what colleges best meet their needs.

Our **Major Search Tool** allows students to discover programs and majors that interest them, learn more about what they involve, and find colleges that offer them.

Our **College Search Tool** helps students find the best colleges in California and across the country, based on the factors that matter most to them.



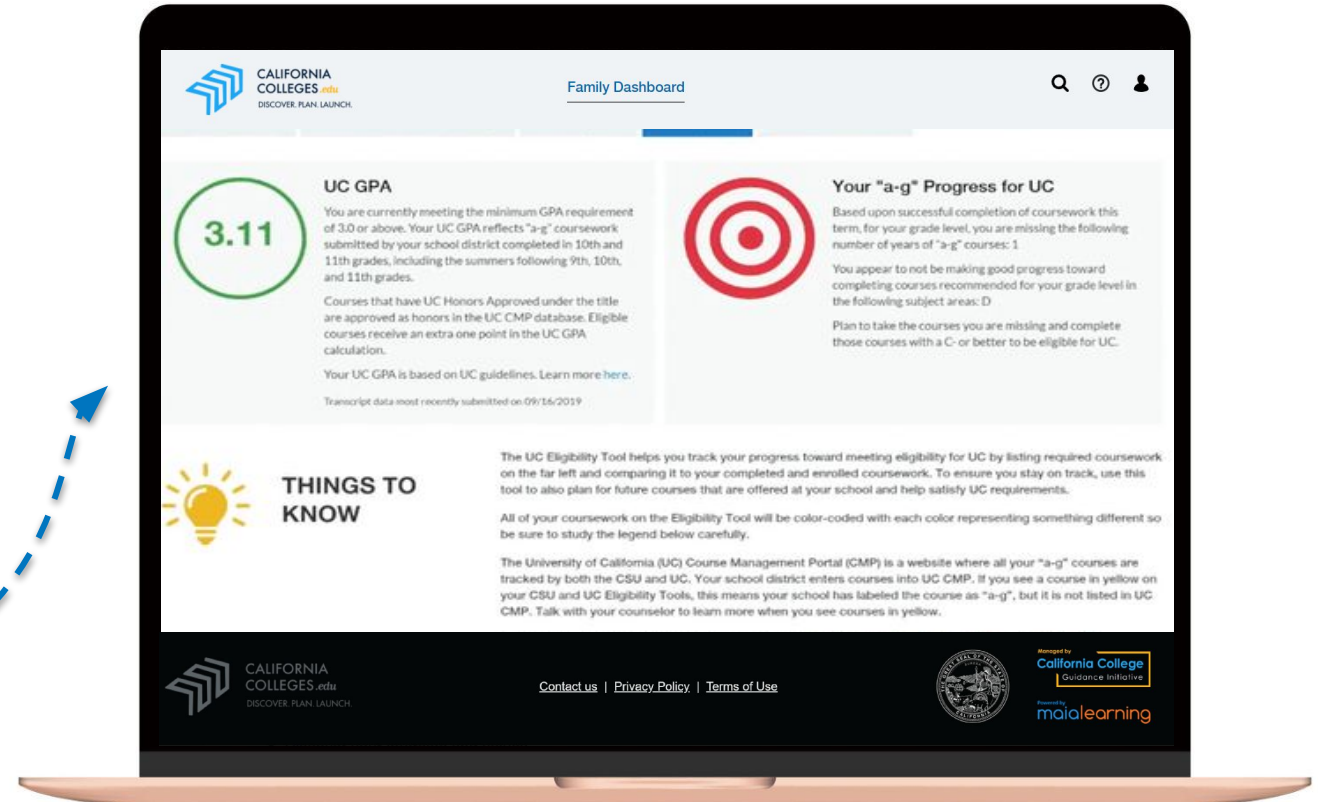
The screenshot shows the 'Major Search Tool' interface. At the top, it says 'Major Search Tool' and provides instructions: 'Use this tool to search for programs and majors that interest you. You can view a list of colleges that offer the program or major by clicking "View Colleges". To learn more about our major data, see [College, Major, and Career Data Sources](#).' Below this is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon on the left and an 'X' icon on the right. The text inside the search bar is 'Search by Program'. Below the search bar, it says 'Enter two or more letters to begin looking up programs and majors.' Underneath the search bar is a section labeled 'Results'. At the bottom of the page, there are links for 'Contact us', 'Privacy Policy', and 'Terms of Use'. The footer also includes the California Colleges.edu logo, the California State Seal, and logos for 'Managed by California College Guidance Initiative' and 'Powered by maialearning'.



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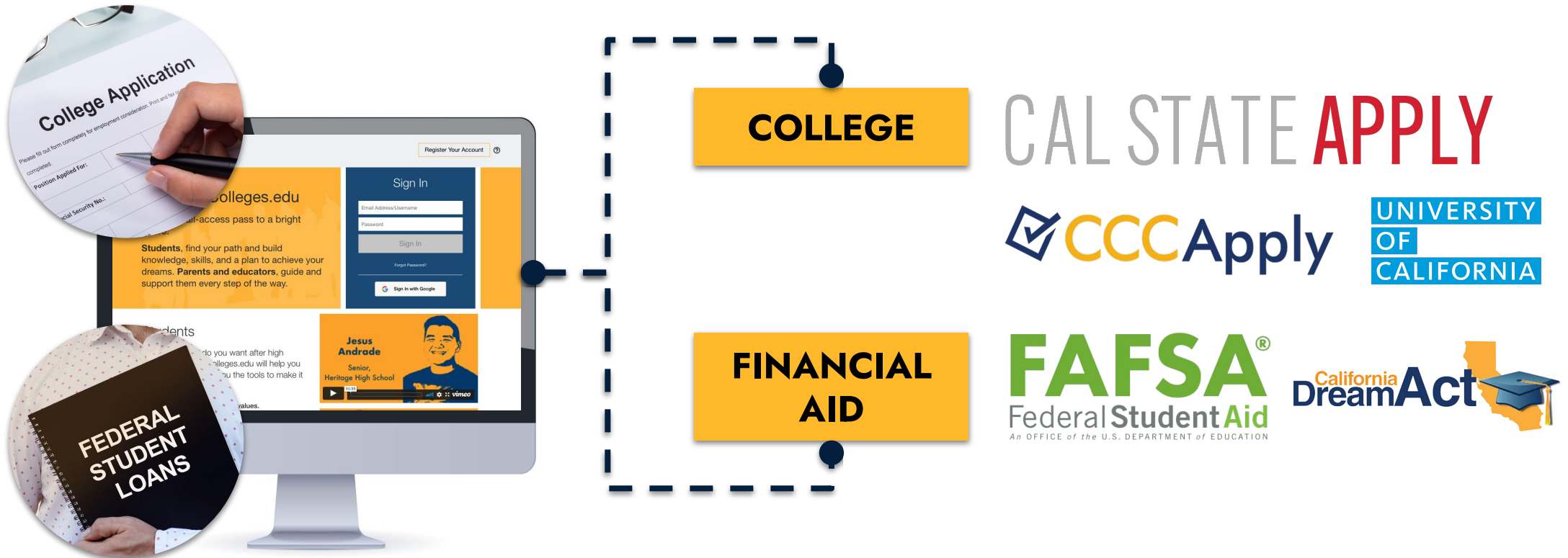
CSU and UC Eligibility Tools (Students)

Students in Partner Districts can use CSU and UC Eligibility Tools to quickly track their progress toward meeting “a-g” requirements.



College and Financial Aid Application Integrations

Students can launch college and financial aid applications directly from CaliforniaColleges.edu and track their progress.





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What is CaliforniaColleges.edu?



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Javier & Yvonne
Student & Educator



Financial Aid Tools

We provide students with:

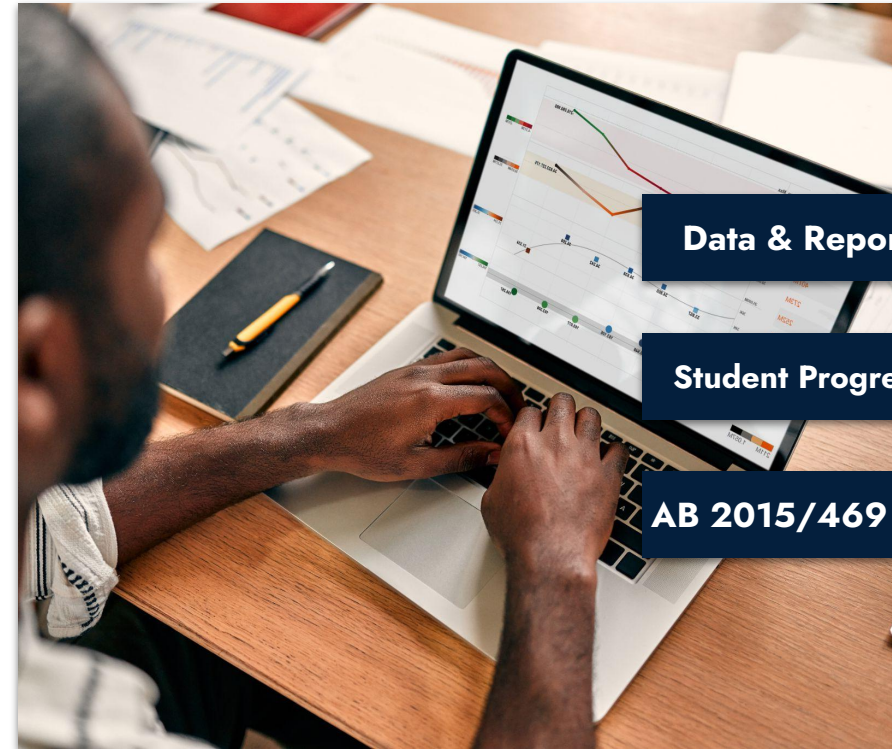


Financial Aid Lessons

Application Launch

Offer Comparison Tool

We provide educators with:



Data & Reporting Tools

Student Progress Tracking

AB 2015/469 Compliance



Financial Aid Education for High School Students (EC 51225.8)

Established by AB 2015 (2018), districts are required to ensure that each student receives information about how to complete and submit FAFSA or CADAA, prior to entering Grade 12.

- ▶ **Aligns to:** CaliforniaColleges.edu Grade 11 Financial Aid Lessons for Students
- ▶ **Aligns to:** CaliforniaColleges.edu Financial Aid Lesson Completion Report for Educators



Universal FAFSA/CA Dream Act Applications (EC 51225.7)

Established by AB 469 (2021), districts are required to confirm that each 12th grade student has completed their financial aid application or has been opted out by a parent/legal guardian.

- ▶ **Aligns to:** CaliforniaColleges.edu Grade 12 Financial Aid Lessons for Students
- ▶ **Aligns to:** CaliforniaColleges.edu FAFSA/CADAA Application Integration
- ▶ **Aligns to:** CaliforniaColleges.edu FAFSA/CADAA Status report for Educators



Tools for Educators

Educators in partner districts can run reports to monitor student progress on their activities on CaliforniaColleges.edu.

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Reports' interface on the California Colleges.edu website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo, 'Educator Dashboard', and links for 'College', 'Career', and 'Financial Aid'. Below the navigation bar, the 'Manage Reports' section is titled 'Track your student's college and career readiness by running reports.' A descriptive paragraph explains that users can obtain aggregate data to support students. The main area contains a form with the following elements: 'Select Report:' with a dropdown menu set to 'Academic' and a 'Select Report Type' dropdown; a 'Have a report question? Contact Us' link with a question mark icon; 'Select Filters:' with dropdowns for 'Select Grade', 'Select Course', 'Select Section', 'Select Gender', 'Select Ethnicity', 'Select Special Population', and 'Select Race'; 'Start Date: MM/DD/YYYY' and 'End Date: MM/DD/YYYY' input fields; and two buttons: 'Run Report' and 'Reset Filters'. At the bottom, it shows 'Report: None' and 'Filters Selected: Grade: All- Course: All- Section: All- Gender: All- Ethnicity: All- Special Population: All- Race: All'. Action links for 'Print', 'Download XLSX', and 'Download CSV' are also present.





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Educator Perspectives on CaliforniaColleges.edu



Questions?



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CaliforniaColleges.edu Demo



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Reflection

How could you leverage
CaliforniaColleges.edu to
support **your district's**
goals?



Next Steps



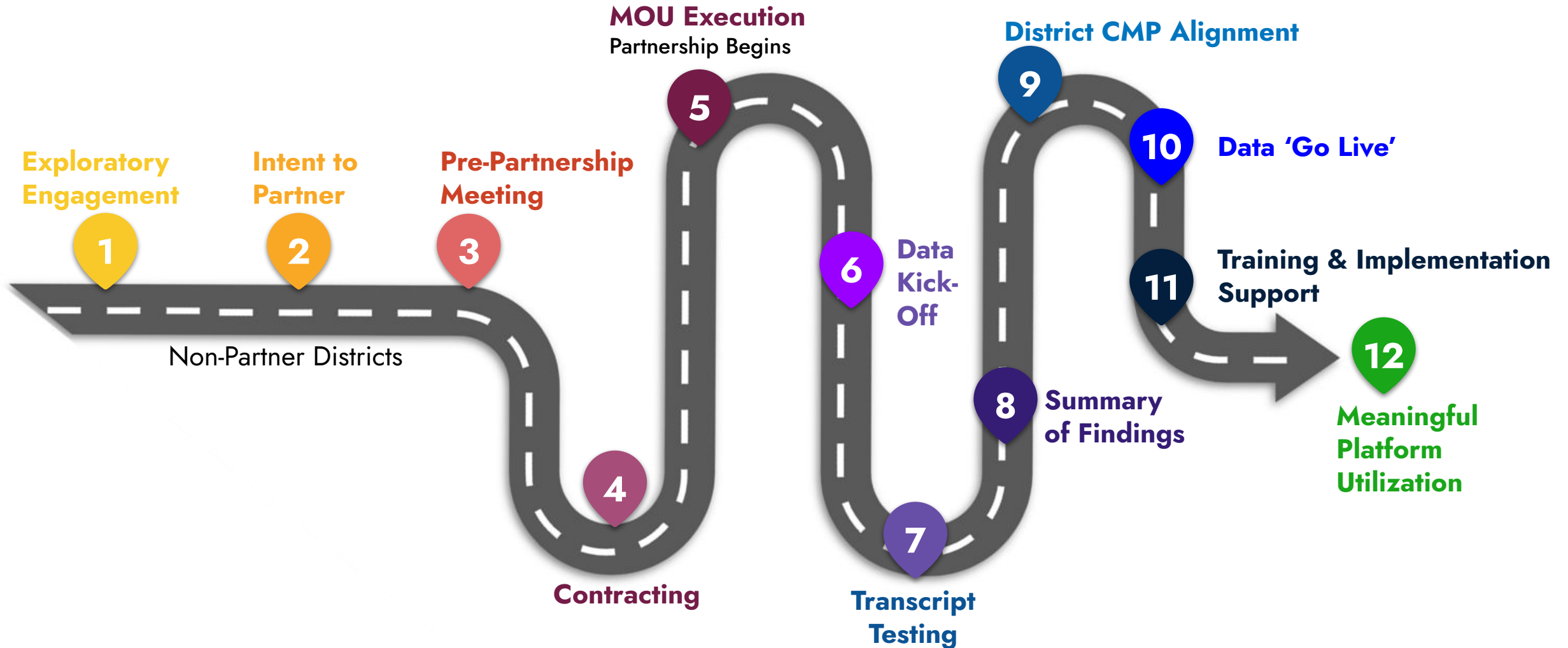
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District Partnership Roadmap



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