Introducing CaliforniaColleges.edu

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

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System Alignment for All Students to Succeed

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"All California students deserve the opportunity to earn a college degree and pursue the career of their dreams.

CaliforniaColleges.edu makes it possible for students to plan their career, apply to college, and get financial aid - for free - all on one website."

— Governor Gavin Newsom

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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

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What We're Doing to Make the Journey Easier

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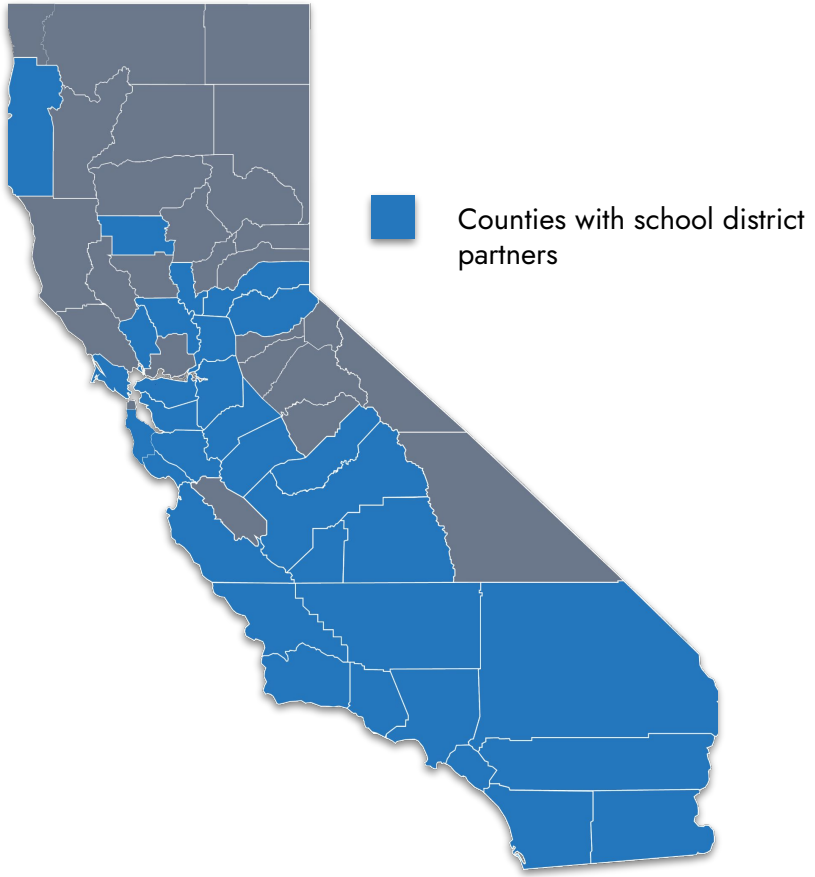
Universal Access to CaliforniaColleges.edu

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

178	Official school district partners
1M+	6th-12th grade students served
61	School districts in the pipeline for partnership by Fall 2023
759k	Additional students in the pipeline who will be served by Fall 2023



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Implementing Equity-Focused State Policies Using CaliforniaColleges.edu

Districts can use the data and reporting tools on CaliforniaColleges.edu to both make it easier to implement and meet compliance with equity-focused state policies.

2021 Budget Act
Regional K-16 Education Collaboratives Grant Program

AB 469
Universal FAFSA/ CADAA for Graduating Seniors

AB 132
Cradle-to-Career System

AB 130
A-G Completion Improvement Grant Program

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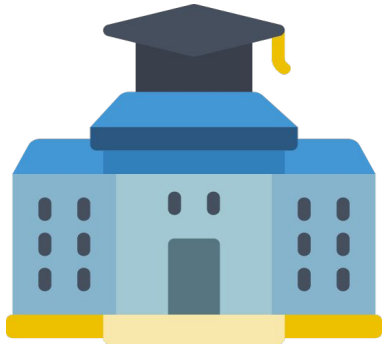
What is CaliforniaColleges.edu?

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

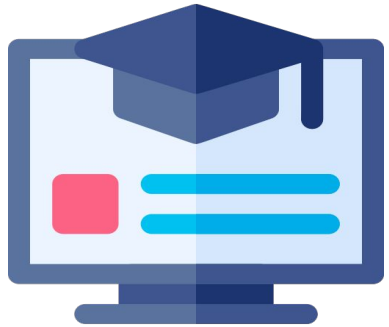
Benefits of a CaliforniaColleges.edu account include access to free tools to help students with their:

Career Planning



College Planning

Financial Aid



Progress Tracking

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A Student's Perspective: Using the Tools on CaliforniaColleges.edu

Jesus Andrade & Katrina Cating

Heritage High School

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Career Exploration & College Planning Tools

Through CaliforniaColleges.edu, students can access tools that will help them with their college and career planning. These tools include:

Career Assessments

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

College & Major Search Tools

- Career Search
- Major Search
- College Search

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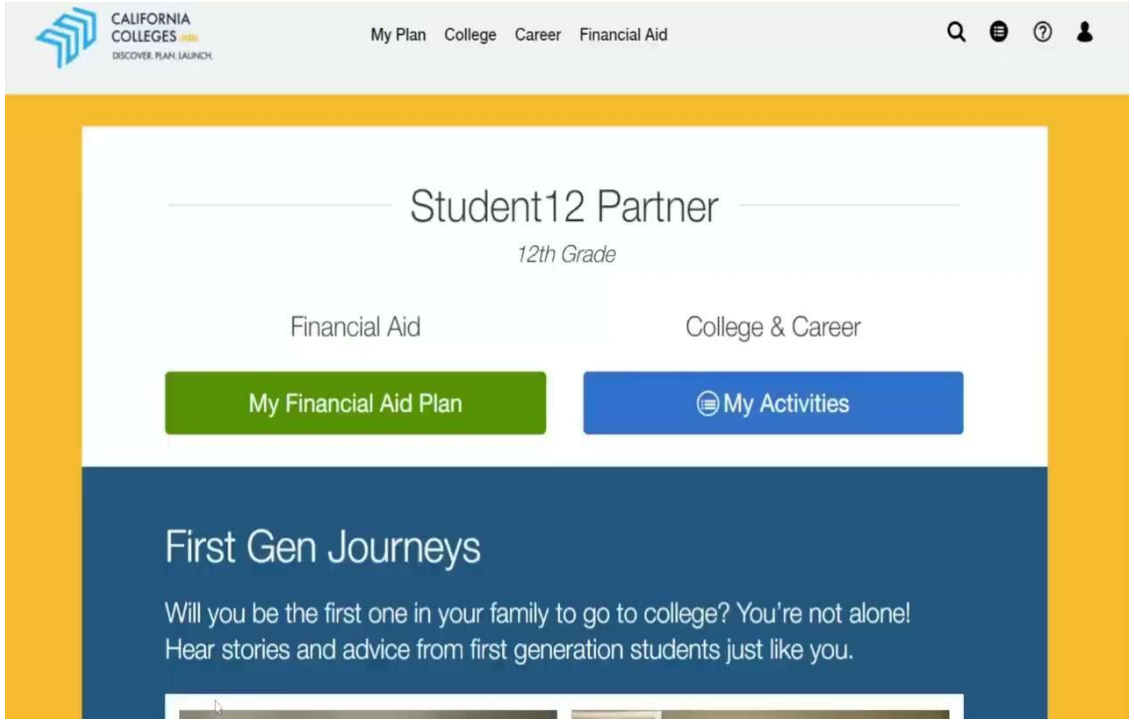
Academic Planner & My Plan

Using the My Plan section students access their digital academic planner to make sure they're on track to achieve their college and career goals.



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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 469 Compliance

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College & Financial Aid Application Integration

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

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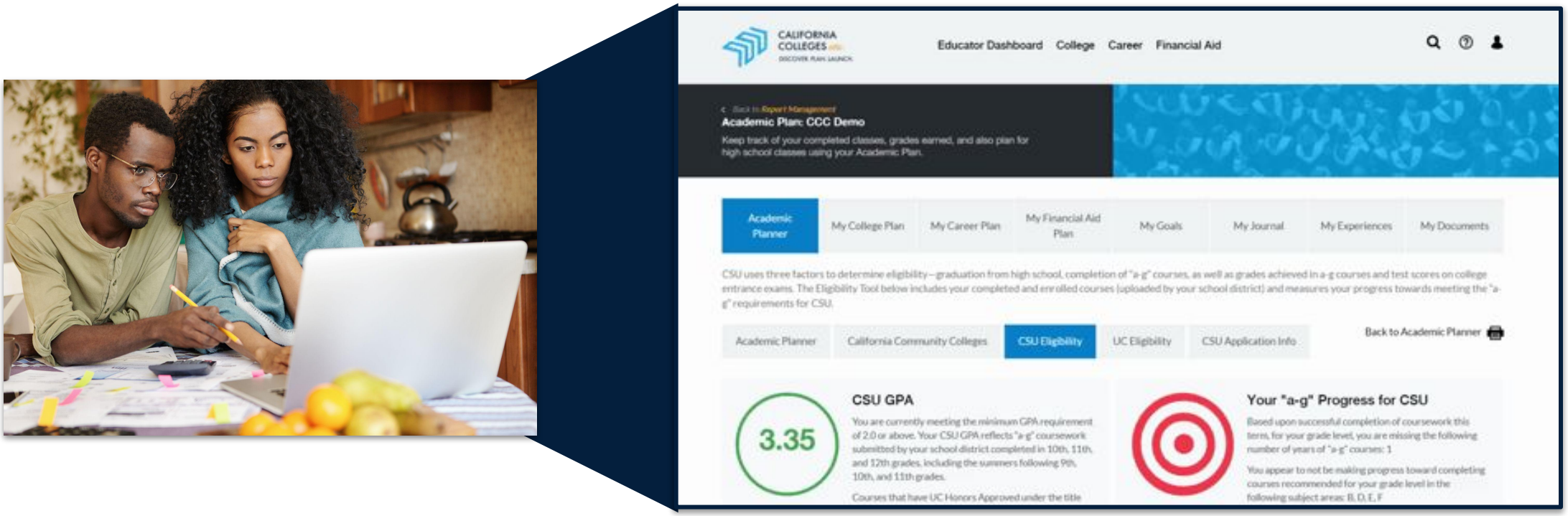
CSU & UC Eligibility Tools (Students)

Students in partner districts can use CSU and UC eligibility tools to quickly track their progress toward meeting “a-g” requirements.



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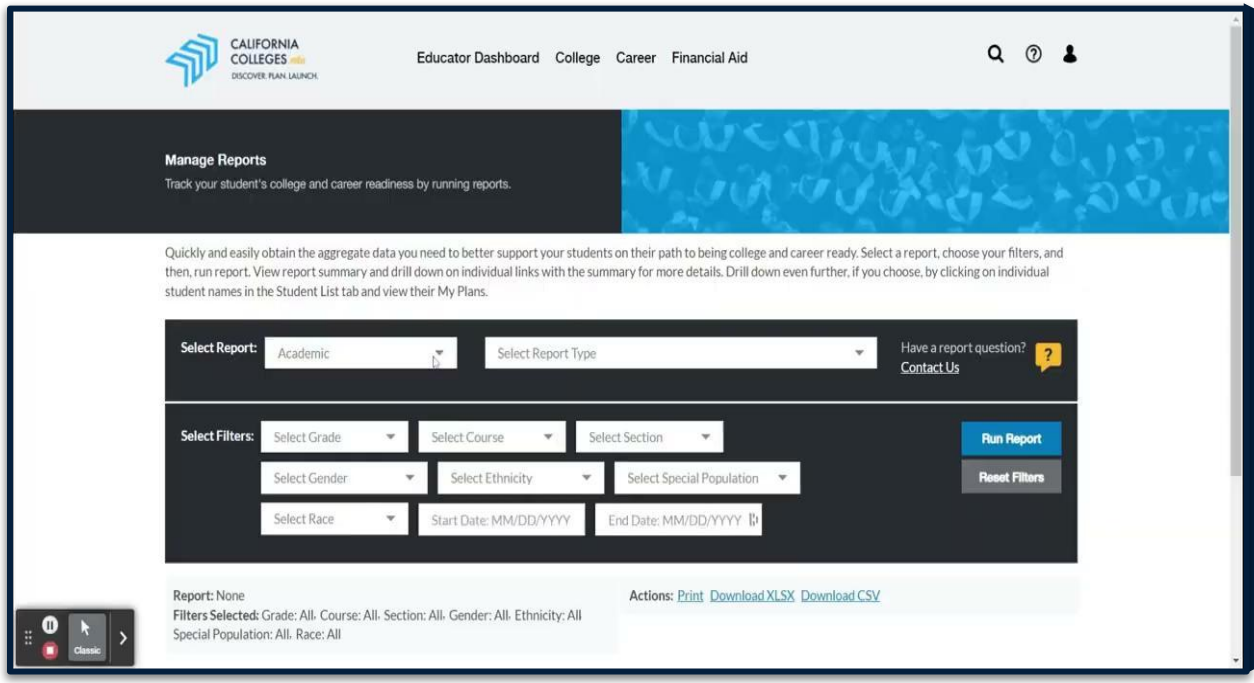
Tools for Educators

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



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CaliforniaColleges.edu Demo

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Educator Perspectives on CaliforniaColleges.edu

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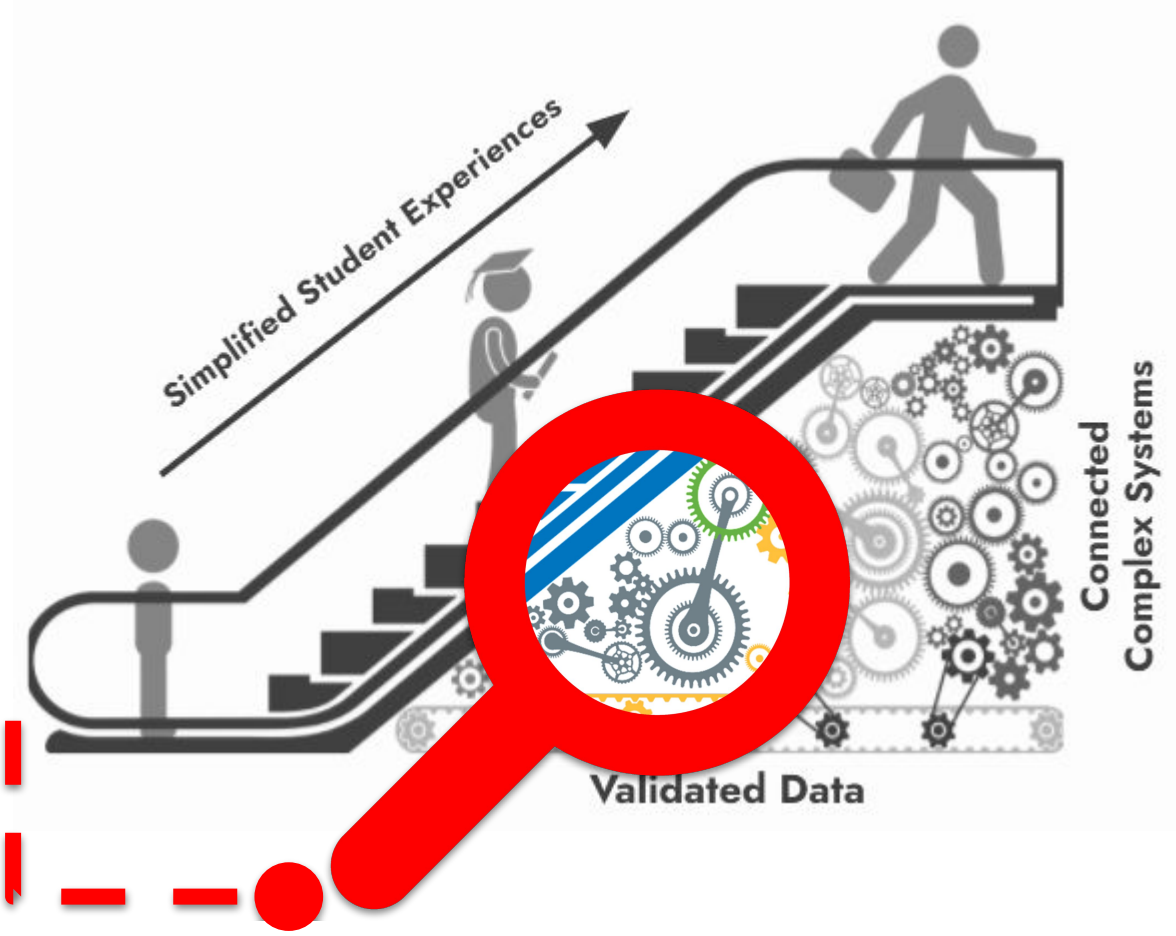
CaliforniaColleges.edu & District Needs

- Higher Education Systems
- College & Financial Aid Applications
- Labor/Workforce Systems
- Student Data
- **K-12 Systems**



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Reflection

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

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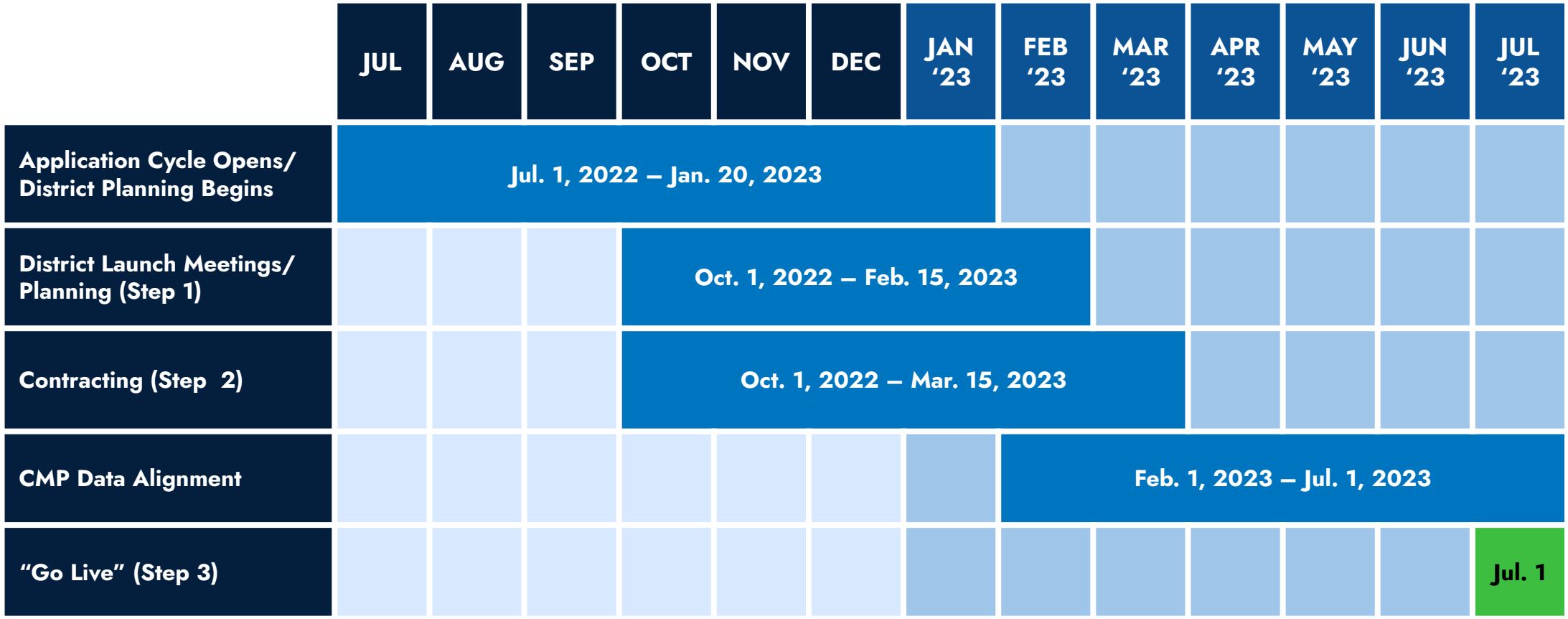
Fall 2023 Application Cycle and Timeline

Below is the timeline for districts with a "Go Live" date of July 1, 2023.



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Guidance and Support

Partner districts will receive the following support as part of the CaliforniaColleges.edu implementation process:

- Technical Assistance
- User Support

- Virtual Training
- Office Hours
- Regional Planning Meetings

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Next Steps

1	Connect with internal staff to determine your next steps
2	Submit an **Intent to Partner** form if you are ready to move forward

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Phase I: Onboarding

Before a partner district can implement CaliforniaColleges.edu, it must go through a 3-step onboarding process. Those steps are:

1. Pre-MOU

- LEA submits Application for Technical Assistance.
- LEA registers for and attends a Launch Meeting.

2. Contracting

- CCGI sends LEA an MOU.
- LEA completes parent/ guardian notification process and captures opt-outs in SIS.

3. Data Testing & "Go Live"

- MOU is fully executed.
- Parent Opt-Out deadline passed.
- LEA undergoes transcript testing.
- "Go Live" date is established.

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