District Strategic Plan
2021-2026 Update

Equity, Social Justice, and Completion

PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 9, 2021
Presentation Agenda

1. Process for the District Strategic Plan Update
2. Environmental Scan
   1. External Context
   2. Internal Context
      1. District Enrollment Trends
3. Strategic Goals and Districtwide Strategies
4. Free Community College Initiative
District Strategic Plan Process
**Strategic Plan Update Timeline**

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Environmental Scan: External Context
Although high overall, disparities exist in high school graduation rates among student groups based on race and ethnicity. Hispanic/Latinx, African American, and AIAN students experience lower graduation rates.
The lowest rates of completion of UC/CSU requirements ("a-g") are seen in the Hispanic/Latinx, Pacific Islander, African-American, and AIAN student populations.

Expansion of Dual Enrollment, as part of Strategic Goal #2 and a key component of the Free Community College initiative, is specifically intended to address this issue.
Disparities persist in per capita income based on race and ethnicity.

The robust growth in the Silicon Valley economies has not benefited specific communities of color to the same extent as others.
The most significant factor that influences income is educational attainment.

In San Mateo and Silicon Valley economies, educational attainment has a greater impact on potential income than other areas of the State.

The income gap between residents of varying educational attainment levels is much wider in Silicon Valley and San Francisco than in California or the United States as a whole, and has expanded significantly since prior to the Great Recession.
Equity and Completion

- When unemployment is high it disproportionately impacts communities of color.
- Resiliency during economic downturns that result in higher unemployment depends on having higher educational attainment.
A high level perspective on major employment sectors in the region shows that while the largest employment sector is Community Infrastructure and Services, the majority of jobs in that sector are low-skill/low-wage jobs.
Aligning programs with potential for employment in sectors, and positions within sectors, that provide sustainable income is a continued focus for the District Strategic Plan and completion efforts.
Communities of color, Hispanic/Latinx and African American communities specifically, have the highest proportions of households living below the self-sufficiency standard.

Educational attainment is one of the largest factors that determines the ability to achieve self-sufficiency.
Environmental Scan: Internal Context
SMCCCD Enrollment Trends

Year | Unique Census Headcount | FTES
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2010-2011 | 39,278 |
2011-2012 | 21,554 |
2012-2013 | 33,825 |
2013-2014 | 33,825 |
2014-2015 | 33,825 |
2015-2016 | 33,825 |
2016-2017 | 33,825 |
2017-2018 | 33,825 |
2018-2019 | 33,825 |
2019-2020 | 33,825 |
2020-2021 | 33,825 |
Amidst an overall decline in enrollment, there has been consistent growth in Dual Enrollment of high school students, thanks to efforts primarily at Skyline College.
Based on April 2021 survey of 3,338 students, post pandemic, 45% of students reported wanting to take a combination of online, in-person, and hybrid learning options, with an additional 27% interested in taking mostly online learning.
Strategic Goals and Districtwide Strategies

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## Strategic Goals and Districtwide Strategies

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<td>• Support the work of the District Anti-Racism Council to radically reimagine how we commit to anti-racism and how we can transform the educational experiences for all students, especially hyper-marginalized students.</td>
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<td>• Expand the Promise Scholars Program to serve all students who are interested and qualify for this completion focused program.</td>
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# Strategic Goals and Districtwide Strategies

## Strategic Goal #1

**DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS, INTERVENTIONS, AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS THAT INCREASE STUDENT ACCESS, SUCCESS, AND COMPLETION**

### Districtwide Strategies

- Encourage the development of methodologies that increase the number of students who utilize support services that enable them to stay in school and succeed.

- Create on-line and web-based options for students to access advising and counseling services, interactive scheduling, and educational plans.

- Strengthen the alignment of career education programs with projected workforce needs.

- Provide professional development resources for faculty, staff, and administration to ensure program effectiveness and excellence in teaching and learning.

- Establish a dedicated budget for new program development in order to increase access, success, and completion, and eliminate equity gaps.

- Review student placement processes and incorporate multiple measures of assessing the preparedness of new students for college level work with the goal of decreasing time needed to achieve one’s goal.

- Use emerging practices to accelerate student progression of ESL sequences into transfer-level courses.

- Evaluate the implementation of revised placement processes for English, and math, ensuring students are successful in transfer-level coursework.

- Systematically evaluate the effectiveness of academic and student support programs in all areas and develop, strengthen, or eliminate programs to support student success.
## Strategic Goal #2

**ESTABLISH AND EXPAND RELATIONSHIPS WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS, 4-YEAR COLLEGE PARTNERS, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND EMPLOYERS TO INCREASE HIGHER EDUCATION ATTAINMENT AND ECONOMIC MOBILITY IN SAN MATEO COUNTY**

### Districtwide Strategies

- Increase collaboration, interaction, and alignment with high school partners to increase successful transitions from local high schools to ensure higher education is accessible for all San Mateo high school students.

- Continue to expand and support Middle College and Early College opportunities.

- Expand dual enrollment opportunities and make processes more efficient and accessible for secondary schools and their students.

- Create faculty-to-faculty collaboration as part of high school partnerships for Dual Enrollment and Guided Pathways to better align curricula and to create seamless transitions from secondary to postsecondary education.
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### Districtwide Strategies

- Work with feeder high schools to streamline processes for sharing transcript information to facilitate placement of more students into the appropriate transfer-level credit courses.

- Create an active campus environment that creates a sense of belonging and engagement for students.

- Increase and articulate Guided Pathways, programs, and services to improve career development and job placement to help students meet their stated goals.

- Increase/expand partnerships with four-year colleges and universities to increase seamless curriculum alignment and direct program transfer, as well as develop opportunities to complete four-year degrees in San Mateo County.

- Share data and information, especially about student success, with community partners.
### Strategic Goal #3

**PROMOTE INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE IN INSTRUCTION TO SUPPORT STUDENT LEARNING AND SUCCESS**

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<td>• Promote strategic development of online education to increase the development and delivery of quality, fully online certificate and degree programs.</td>
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<td>• Support professional development for faculty and staff to incorporate advances in teaching, learning, and effective use of technology.</td>
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<td>• Increase technology use in the classroom and develop the overall District technology infrastructure to support innovative practices in teaching and learning.</td>
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PROMOTE INNOVATION AND EXCELLENCE IN INSTRUCTION TO SUPPORT STUDENT LEARNING AND SUCCESS

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<td>• Support innovation and excellence by increasing the availability of data and information to inform the effectiveness of programs and interventions designed to increase student success, equity, and achievement.</td>
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<td>• Support the International Student Programs and expand International Education to provide a global education and campus culture that benefits all students.</td>
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<td>• Foster an environment that continues to attract and retain highly qualified and dedicated faculty, staff, and administration that share the District’s values of equity and social justice.</td>
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<td>• Accelerate the development and adoption of Open Educational Resources (OER) and expand Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) course offerings for students across all modalities.</td>
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Districtwide Strategies

- Protect and solidify District funding, predominately in the form of property taxes, through interaction and advocacy with key county and state legislators and the State Chancellor’s Office. To ensure this is achieved, build coalitions among other community-supported districts and statewide associations.

- Increase actions across the District to provide alternative revenue sources to support programs that increase student success, equity, and completion.

- Expand the development, management, and grant funding strategy and infrastructure for the District and its Colleges.

- Increase philanthropic development efforts in order to provide resources that can be used to support programs and efforts that increase student success, equity, and completion.
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### Districtwide Strategies

- Increase Community, Continuing and Corporate Education (CCCE) training and services to San Mateo County residents, families and public and private sector organizations through increased lifelong learning and professional certifications for adults, expanded academic and fitness programming for youth, and customized workforce training for public and private-sector organizations.

- Increase credit-based enrollments through new credit/not-for-credit hybrid programming.

- Contribute to the economic development of San Mateo County through collaborative partnerships with industry and workforce/economic development agencies.

- Partner with local, regional, and state level governmental and other agencies in order to achieve the strategic goals of the District.

- Review allocations and evaluate the investment of resources in order to align resource allocation with District strategic goals and Districtwide strategies that increase student success, equity, and achievement.
Free Community College Initiative

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Free Community College Initiative

- Key Components
  - CCAP Dual Enrollment
  - Promise Scholars Program
  - OER/ZTC Expansion
  - Legislative and Policy Changes

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QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS?