



Is Your Local Education Agency Ready to Receive Technical Assistance from the California College Guidance Initiative?

California’s [Cradle-to-Career System](#) brings together early education, K-12, higher education, and social service systems to create better futures for California students. The [California College Guidance Initiative](#) (CCGI) forms the core of the System’s college planning and application tools. Over the next few years, the Cradle-to-Career System will scale CCGI to make these transcript-informed tools available to serve every 6th-12th grade student in the state. By doing so, it will help smooth transitions between K-12 and higher education, close equity gaps, and ensure that every student in California has access to the tools they need to succeed in college and career.

The CCGI Approach

CCGI serves as the State’s official technical assistance provider for aligning "a-g" courses with the University of California Office of the President’s Course Management Portal (CMP). This database is used to determine students’ California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) eligibility. We offer college and career planning tools and services, support, and virtual training to all Local Education Agencies (LEAs). LEAs can also apply to receive personalized technical assistance.

All LEAs Have Access to:	
College & Career Planning	— Account Access to CaliforniaColleges.edu , the State’s official college and career planning platform, and its associated 6th-12th grade college and career planning curriculum.
User Support	— Responsive support to districts on the use of CaliforniaColleges.edu tools.
Virtual Training	— Year-round training available to all educators using CaliforniaColleges.edu, with a focus on strategies for effective implementation.
Working with CCGI’s Technical Assistance Team Allows LEAs to:	
Technical Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Access support in reviewing K-12 course data to ensure “a-g” courses are labeled accurately and aligned with CMP. — Use a secure method for matching student identifiers and transmitting student data across educational systems.
	<p>Educators will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — View students’ CSU and UC Eligibility by student and across a school or district. — See enrolled and historical coursework for their students. — Track student applications to the UC, CSU, and California Community College systems. — See the status for students’ FAFSA or California Dream Act (CADAA) applications and track completion of AB 2015-compliant financial aid modules. — Filter reports by race, ethnicity, or special population to address equity gaps. — Use scheduler tools to create educator groupings. — Receive targeted support to align coursework to CMP.

Technical Assistance (continued)	Students will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Plan high school courses and track grades using real-time, pre-populated coursework via CaliforniaColleges.edu’s Academic Planner. — View their eligibility for the UC or CSU in an easy-to-interpret, color-coded grid. — Use their CaliforniaColleges.edu accounts to launch and monitor the status of applications to California State University, the University of California, and California Community Colleges, as well as FAFSA and CADAA applications. — Migrate pre-verified “a-g” coursework into their Cal State Apply applications.
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What is Technical Assistance?

We provide technical assistance to LEAs focused on aligning their “a-g” courses with CMP. This helps to eliminate errors that can negatively affect students’ CSU and UC eligibility and provides access to CaliforniaColleges.edu’s innovative transcript-informed college planning and application tools.

What Technical Assistance Does CCGI Offer?		
 <p>Transcript/Data Testing</p> <p>We make sure that the transcript-informed tools on CaliforniaColleges.edu are aligned with the transcript data found in your student information system (SIS).</p>	 <p>Course Data Integrity</p> <p>We support your team in aligning your “a-g” courses with the CMP.</p>	 <p>One-on-One and Group CMP Meetings</p> <p>We offer tiered support to ensure that we meet your LEA where you are and provide the right level of support.</p>

Is Your LEA Ready to Apply for Technical Assistance?

CCGI provides technical assistance to LEAs that meet the following criteria:

- Will be utilizing the same Student Information System (SIS) for the next 1-2 years.
- Will be responsive to CCGI’s support to align “a-g” coursework with the Course Management Portal.
- Serve students in the 6th-12th grades as part of a unified or high school district.
- Are able to identify an implementation, data, and contracting contact.
- For charter schools that are authorized by a traditional school district, reside within the authorizing district’s boundaries and share an SIS instance with the school district.

If your LEA meets the criteria and is interested in applying for technical assistance, visit our [application page](#).

Ready to Apply?		
CCGI’s Technical Assistance application and onboarding process are as easy as 1-2-3.		
<p>Step 1: Pre-MOU</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Submit the application. — Register for and attend a Launch Meeting. 	<p>Step 2: Contracting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — CCGI will draft and send your MOU. — LEA will message parent notification. 	<p>Step 3: Data Testing and Go Live</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Once your MOU is fully executed and the parent notification deadline has passed, transcript testing will occur. Once testing has completed, your district’s data will be live on CaliforniaColleges.edu.

User Support & Training

Even if your LEA is not yet ready to apply for Technical Assistance per the criteria listed above, CCGI still offers multiple options for support.

User Support & Training Options	
<p>Timely and effective User Support, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">— Account requests (Educators, Students, Parents)— General troubleshooting— Resetting passwords— Launching college and financial aid applications— Career assessments— Educator dashboard reports— Academic Planner— My Plan: College, Career, and Major lists	<p>Year-round Virtual Training offerings, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">— An Introduction to CaliforniaColleges.edu & 6-12th Grade Lessons— Getting Started - Student & Educator Access— Educator Dashboard - Streamlining Account Management & Utilizing Reports— Using CaliforniaColleges.edu with Middle Schoolers— Using CaliforniaColleges.edu in the Classroom: Streamlining College & Career Exploration with Students— One-Stop Shop - Academic Planning & Application Launches— CaliforniaColleges.edu's Financial Aid Feature and FAFSA and California Dream Act Application Tools

Apply for an Educator Account on CaliforniaColleges.edu!

It's possible that an account may have already been created for you. To check if you already have an account, follow the steps below:

- Navigate to CaliforniaColleges.edu.
- Click the **Register** button located on the top-right of the homepage.
- Select **Educator** and enter the name of your district and school.
- Once you enter your district-provided email address and click **Next**, the system will look to see if there is an account associated with that email address.
- If no account can be found, and you've confirmed you entered your information correctly, click the **Educator Account Application** link to submit your account request.

Questions?

If you have questions or want to learn more about how your LEA can receive Technical Assistance from the California College Guidance Initiative, contact our Technical Assistance team at CACollegeGuidance.org/TAcontact.