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## Cal-PASS Plus Data Strengthens Intersegmental Regional Collaboration and Decision Making: Tulare Kings College and Career Collaborative

Established in 2013, the Tulare Kings College and Career Collaborative (TKCCC) is a regional partnership collaborative composed of 12 school districts, two county offices of education, two county workforce investment boards, seven postsecondary institutions, and more than 500 workforce and industry partners.

The collaborative's three-pronged goal is to:

1. Increase the number of college and career ready graduates in its region
2. Further develop the region's workforce pipeline
3. Strengthen the region's opportunities for economic success

TKCCC is a proud member of the ARCHES Alliance, a partnership of intersegmental regional collaboratives committed to closing equity, resource, and outcome gaps for California's students.

To inform its work, TKCCC established six regional metrics that are vital to all of its cross-sector partners, including students':

1. Early college credit attainment
2. K-12 career pathway completion
3. Industry certification attainment
4. Attempts and completion of college-level mathematics courses
5. Attempts and completion of college-level English courses
6. Job placement rates of all students that leave the region

The collaborative needed an experienced data partner that could provide it with the necessary data to establish these metrics for TKCCC's use as an improvement mechanism.

After extensive research and a request-for-information process launched by the ARCHES Alliance on behalf of TKCCC, the collaborative's data integration workgroup selected Educational Results Partnership (ERP) based on its expertise and oversight of Cal-PASS Plus.

Cal-PASS Plus is California's free, intersegmental longitudinal student data system. It connects actionable student performance and workforce data from the state's K-12 districts, the California Community Colleges, California State University, and University of California systems, and the California State Employment Development Department.

It has been an arduous but deeply fulfilling process to define and refine the necessary metrics given the complexity of what TKCCC's diverse member base needs. But through its collaboration with the ERP team, ERP provided TKCCC with clean, customized data, data definitions, and methodology to expertly guide TKCCC's establishment of baseline metrics for its shared outcome setting. These metrics allow TKCCC to have confident, data-driven discussions with both higher education and employment leaders about what is happening within their community and potential methods for improvement.

Today, TKCCC is in the third cycle of its ongoing data project, digging even deeper into its data definitions and methodology in partnership with ERP and making key data visible to its team.

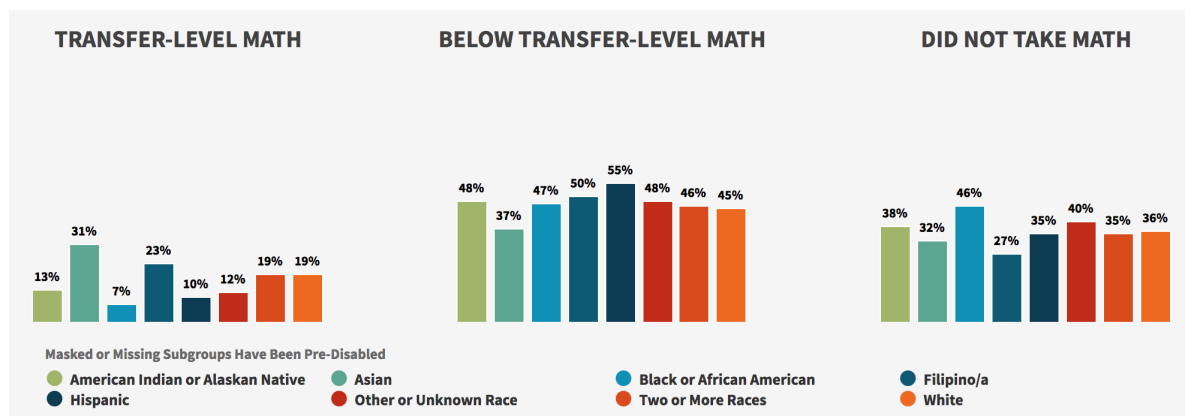
These metrics have been instrumental in solidifying the bond among TKCCC members and helping it to more effectively improve its regional economy through its education and workforce partnerships.

**“It's been an incredible partnership as we have worked tirelessly to ensure that all of our K-12 districts have clean data files. The ERP team has provided effective tools, service, and technical assistance. The level of service and professionalism has been high quality and very timely. ERP's visualization tools have been very helpful, and I have a great deal of confidence in the technical assistance that is weaved into this work.”**

—**Joy Soares**, Director, Tulare Kings College and Career Collaborative

Created through leadership and funding provided by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Cal-PASS Plus is dedicated to helping regional learning collaboratives, educational and workforce development leaders, and their partners improve student success and increase college and career readiness in their regions.

Can Cal-PASS Plus help facilitate courageous, data-driven conversations about educational and workforce pathways that drive positive change in your region?  
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