

# About Cal-PASS Plus

## What is Cal-PASS Plus?

A system of data designed to inform effective alignment of programs and curriculum, identify scalable best practices, close the achievement gap and help ensure successful transitions from K-16 and into the workforce. Cal-PASS Plus is made possible through leadership and funding by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and managed in partnership by Educational Results Partnership and San Joaquin Delta College.

## What does Cal-PASS Plus include?

Cal-PASS Plus includes student achievement, course taking, demographic and degree/transfer attainment data from California K-12 schools, colleges and universities. It also includes data that can be used to inform the transitions from education to the workforce.

The system offers longitudinal data charts, detailed analysis of K16 transitions and college readiness, information and artifacts on success factors, and comparisons among like colleges, school systems, schools, grade levels and subjects.

Regional and local data is available to participating faculty and decision-makers at the student level. Analysis of data trends is made accessible to schools, school systems, colleges and universities – allowing education stakeholders to make informed decisions about improving public education.



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## How do members use Cal-PASS Plus?

Cal-PASS Plus members, under signed Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) and Data Sharing Agreements, can utilize the data system to help understand and improve student performance and success across the education pipeline, including, but not limited to:

- Downloading data for research
- Running queries on specific cohorts, course work, or student populations
- Viewing student progress along K-16 feeder patterns, including disaggregated data

## How can my institution join Cal-PASS Plus?

Visit [www.calpassplus.org](http://www.calpassplus.org) and click on the “Join” tab to complete an MOU and Data Sharing Agreement online.

## What are Regional Learning Councils?

Regional Learning Councils are data users that regularly convene leaders and representatives of K-16 institutions throughout the state so they may share and analyze data and success factors. They also collaborate on how best to use the data to:

- Improve academic achievement and student transitions
- Determine the effectiveness of curriculum and instruction
- Close the achievement gap
- Increase college readiness and success



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- Facilitate the replication of best practices If you would like to join a Regional Learning Council, please contact our Outreach Department.

## **How is Cal-PASS Plus managed?**

San Joaquin Delta College (SJDC) and Educational Results Partnership (ERP) partner to manage Cal-PASS Plus on behalf of the California Community College's Chancellor's Office. San Joaquin County Office of Education is also a key partner in Cal-PASS Plus.

## **How is student privacy handled?**

To ensure confidentiality and consistency with FERPA (Family Education Rights and Privacy Act) guidelines, student identifiers, including social security numbers and names, are encrypted on Cal- PASS Plus. Access to data is restricted to Cal-PASS Plus staff and members under a signed MOU. For schools that do not collect a SSN, another unique identifier is used.



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