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California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley's Statement on the Legislature's Passage of the California State Budget

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor [Eloy Ortiz Oakley](#) issued the following statement following the passage by the Legislature of the 2017-18 state budget:

“The budget approved by the Legislature includes important investments in community colleges and shows a strong commitment to innovation and completion. Expanded financial aid opportunities to help low-income students attend college full-time will improve social mobility by increasing the number of students who earn quality college credentials. Widespread adoption by our colleges of the guided pathways approach will lead to better outcomes by organizing academic pathways in a way that promotes better course taking decisions. These and other investments, such as enhanced services for student veterans, will help more students succeed in the world of work and move California forward.”

- To enroll in a community college visit: CCCApply.org
- For information on and to apply for financial aid visit: ICanAffordCollege.com
- For information on the Associate Degree for Transfer Program that guarantees community college students a saved spot at a CSU visit: ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation composed of 72 districts and 114 colleges serving 2.1 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills education in English and math, and prepares students for transfer to four-year institutions. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. For more information about the community colleges, please visit <http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu>.

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