

## **2018-19 Innovations Awards**

**Section 66010.991 of the Education Code is added to read:**

### **SEC 1.**

66010.991. (a) The funds appropriated to the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges in Schedule 23 of Item 6870-101-0001 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2018 are for allocation by the board of governors to make awards to community colleges pursuant to this subparagraph.

(b) The board of governors shall award moneys pursuant to this subparagraph for innovations that reduce and eliminate regional achievement gaps and achievement gaps for students from traditionally underrepresented groups consistent with the goals in the Vision for Success adopted by the board of governors, including gaps in the following:

(1) The number of students who acquire associate degrees, certificates, or specified skill sets that prepare them for in-demand jobs.

(2) The number of students transferring annually to the University of California and California State University.

(3) The number of excess units accumulated by students earning associate's degrees.

(4) The percent of career technical students who are employed in their field of study.

(c) Students from underrepresented groups include, but are not limited to, underrepresented students, low-income students, students who are current or former foster youth, student with disabilities, formerly incarcerated students, undocumented students, student meeting the requirements of Assembly Bill 540 of the 2001-2002 Regular Session of the Legislature, and students who are veterans.

(d) Regional achievement gaps include gaps in the measures described in paragraph (A) among colleges located in regions with the lowest educational attainment of adults.

(e) Innovations shall also be sustainable and capable of being scaled across the state.

(f) The board of governors shall make an award pursuant to this subparagraph only to a community college, but the award may be for innovations that encourage or require partnership between the community college and other entities.

(g) (1) By January 1, 2021, the Chancellor's Office shall report to the Director of Finance and the Legislature a summary of the activities supported by the funds awarded.

(2) By January 1, 2023, the Chancellor's Office shall report to the Director of Finance and the Legislature a summary of the outcomes for the student populations identified by the community colleges in their applications for an award and the specific measures used to quantify a reduction or elimination of achievement gaps.

(3) A report to be submitted pursuant to this subdivision shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.