

Assembly Bill 1741 (Rodriguez, D-Pomona) California College Promise Innovation Grant Program

This bill would establish the California College Promise Innovation Grant Program, which would require the Chancellor to distribute grants to the governing boards of community college districts to support the establishment of regional programs with the goals of increasing college preparation, college access, and college success.

In order to receive a grant, the governing board of a community college district shall partner with one or more school districts and public postsecondary universities in California to establish a California College Promise program that includes:

- Partnering with one or more school districts to establish an Early Commitment to College
- Having a program to provide students and families assistance that includes learning about college opportunities, visiting campuses, taking and completing college preparatory courses, and applying for college and financial aid
- Partnering with one or more school districts to support and improve high school student preparation for college and reduce postsecondary remediation through practices that may include small learning communities, concurrent enrollment, and other evidence-based practices
- Utilizing evidence-based placement and student assessment indicators at the community college district that include multiple measures of student performance, including grades in high school courses, overall grade point averages, results from common assessments, and input from counselors