



# Successes and Setbacks of Dual Enrollment in Alternative Education

## Strengthening Student Success 2018

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# *Good Afternoon!*

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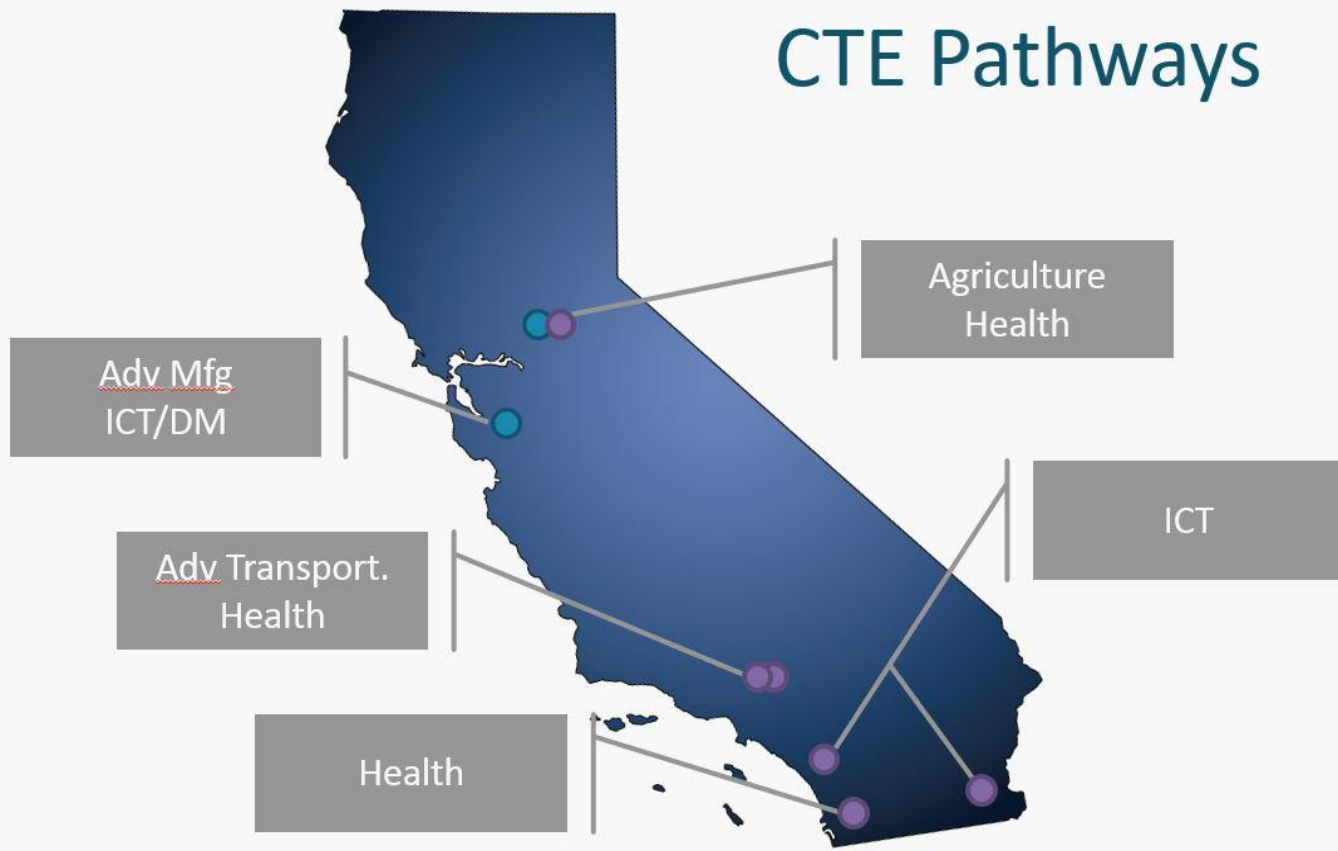
# SIATech in CA

- 6 Job Corps Centers
- 11 Independent Study/  
Classroom Sites





# CTE Pathways



# SIATech enrolls students who are:

- Disengaged from school and work
- Aged 16-24
- Socio-economically Disadvantaged (94%)
- Often (26%) struggling with one or more of the following:
  - Learning difficulties
  - English proficiency
  - Foster care
  - Homelessness

# ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS IN CALIFORNIA



# Seven Types of Alternative Schools

School Type	Number of Schools	Fall Enrollment	Target Population	Administrative Entity
Continuation	468	62,830	At risk of not graduating	District
Independent Charter	61	28,931	Expelled, suspended, truant, or dropout	Independent
Community	68	15,202	Expelled, behavior or attendance problems or on probation or parole	Regional
School of Choice	38	13,283	Expelled, suspended, truant, or dropout	District or regional
Community Day	234	7,353	Expelled or behavior or attendance problems	District or regional
Juvenile Court	76	6,776	Incarcerated in local detention facilities	District or regional
Opportunity	29	2,212	Attendance, behavior, or academic problems	District or regional
Total	974	136,587		



# College and Career Going Culture



Half of all college students attend community college because they are **affordable, close to home, do not require an extensive application** process, and can serve as a **transition** step to a bachelor's degree.

[College Board](#)

Research identifies two critical aspects of college-going culture: **high expectations** and **high support** for college-going.

[Teachers College Record](#)

# Promising Practices for Alternative High Schools

## Support in College



# Benefits of Dual Enrollment

- More likely to graduate high school.  
(Karp et al., 2007; Rodriguez, Hughes, & Belfield, 2012; Cowan & Goldhaber, 2013; Haskell, 2016)
- More likely to enroll in college than their non-participating peers.  
(Karp et al., 2007; Speroni, 2011; Rodriguez, Hughes, & Belfield, 2012; Struhl & Vargas, 2012; Cowan & Goldhaber, 2013; Taylor, 2015)
- More likely to complete college than their non-participating peers.  
(An, 2013; Struhl & Vargas, 2012; Taylor, 2015)
- Can be particularly effective for young men of color, low income and 1<sup>st</sup> gen students  
(Rodriguez, Hughes, & Belfield, 2012; Struhl & Vargas, 2012)

# Current State Of Dual Enrollment In California

## State Encouragement

- 2014 – CA Career Pathways Trust
- 2015 – College and Career Access Pathways (AB 288)
- 2016 - College and Career Readiness Indicator

Steady expansion




Pathways as emergent frame

# Current State of Dual Enrollment In California

- Majority of students come to the college on their own
- Slow uptake of AB 288; less anxiety around compliance
- Implementation challenges, as infrastructure, staffing and practice issues not addressed
- Expansion provides innovation and “bright spots”
  - Deepening of partnerships
  - Holistic, structured programs with integrated supports;
  - Rethinking the college culture and who is a college student
  - Focus on underrepresented students and their families

## Same Dashboard and Indicators

Schools that participate in DASS will have their information displayed on the same Dashboard and be measured on the same set of indicators as non-alternative schools.

Enrollment: 2,902	Socioeconomically Disadvantaged: 43.9%	English Learners: 1.8%	For
Grade Span: 9-12	Charter School: No		
Early Report	Status and Change Report	Detailed Report	Student Group Report
<p>The status and change report provides the performance level for all students on state indicators. It also shows the status and change each have five possible levels, which are displayed with the data for each indicator. Select any</p>			
State Indicators:	All Students Performance		
Chronic Absenteeism	N/A		
Suspension Rate (K-12)			
English Learner Progress (1-12)			
Graduation Rate (9-12)			
College/Career	N/A		

### Six State Indicators

- Academic Indicator
- English Learner Progress Indicator
- Graduation Rate Indicator
- Suspension Rate Indicator
- College/Career Indicator
- Chronic Absenteeism Indicator

DASS schools will receive one of five color-coded performance levels for each indicator, identical to those given to non-alternative schools. Performance levels range from lowest to highest performance and include red, orange, yellow, green, and blue.



# College & Career Indicator

## Metrics for All High Schools

- SBAC Assessments
- A-G completion
- State Seal of Biliiteracy
- Articulated CTE Courses
- Stand Alone Courses (Emergency Medical Technician, Certified Nursing Assistant)
- Leadership/Military Science
- Passage Military Entrance Exam
- Work-based Learning and Internships
- Industry Certification
- Golden State Seal Merit Diploma
- AP and IB exams
- **Dual enrollment**

## Metrics for Alternative Schools

- Exploratory Work Experience Education (EWEE)
- General Work Experience Education (GWEE)
- *CTE Work Experience Education (CTWEE)*
- Workability Program Courses
- Workability Work-Based Learning
- Workforce Readiness Certificate
- Completion of a Pre-Apprenticeship Program
- State or Federal Job Program



# Making the Case for Dual Enrollment in Alternative Schools

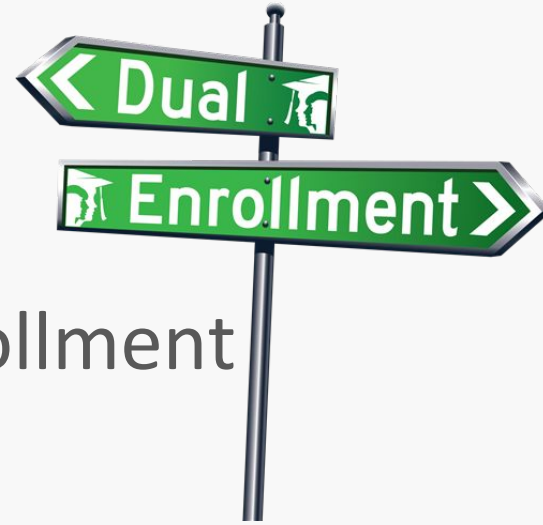
Colleges increase their enrollment by reaching out to alternative school sites

Increase employability

Involving the whole community in post secondary education improves conditions for all



# Barriers to



- Revolving student enrollment
- Credit recovery
- Small class sizes
- Finding skilled instructors for the population
- Ability to follow college calendars



# College Credit Approaches

<b>Community Based Organization Collaboration</b>	Counseling Course exploring CTE options Career Prep Course
<b>Articulation Agreements</b>	Medical Terminology
<b>Program Partnerships</b>	Map Your Future
<b>Direct Partnerships</b>	Varied



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Are you ready to play?

# Successes & Setbacks of Dual Enrollment

In groups of 4-5,  
play the game and  
see who can  
achieve college  
credit!



# The Dual Enrollment Game





# Successful Partnerships

## Relationships

**High school champion at the college** - someone who will advocate for the students

**Connect with students** and get them started on a journey - creating a pathway for students

## Effects of Environment

**Welcoming campus & staff** - takes down barriers of imagining self as college going

**Students love being on campus**  
Improves self image, find career paths, stay in school longer



# Successful Partnerships

## Dedicated Instructors

Instructors have varying degrees of **sensitivity to the students** in alternative education

Finding the “**unicorns**” - skilled K-12 teachers who meet min quals

Students need mentors/support

## Collaboration

Explore **equity and opportunity** for all students

Discuss **needs and best fits** for individual sites

# Locating Partners

Make a list of the alternative schools in your service area.

*Do you know where they are?*







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**In your current role, how do you collaborate with alternative schools?**

**In what ways could you expand/develop partnerships with alternative education sites?**

# Counseling Tours



Counselors from the CaCN + R4 Collaborative showing off their new college shirts.

Peralta College  
CTE Tour

College of Alameda

Laney College

Merritt College

Berkeley City College



Recently with Los Medanos College, Contra Costa College and Diablo Valley College



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