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(Information Item)

Update on California Cradle-to-Career Data System

SUMMARY:

Mary Ann Bates, Executive Director at California Cradle-to-Career (C2C), will present on the C2C Data System. This statewide data system, signed into legislation in 2019, will bring together data from across the early childhood, K–12, postsecondary, and workforce sectors to provide policymakers, advocates, and communities with actionable data to address disparities and improve outcomes for all students throughout the state. Mary Ann will provide an update on the build of the data system, expected timelines and C2C's partnership with organizations scaling practical tools for students and families.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is an information item; no action is required.

BACKGROUND:

Legislation passed in 2019 called for the establishment of a statewide, longitudinal data system for California. Over the course of 2020 and the first half of 2021, more than 200 people from 15 state agencies and many educational institutions, research and policy organizations, and community groups worked together to design a blueprint for the Cradle-to-Career System. Governor Newsom and the Legislature approved funding for the Cradle-to-Career System in its 2021-22 budget. The data system will be implemented by the Government Operations Agency.

The Cradle-to-Career System will provide data-informed tools to help students reach their college and career goals and deliver information on education and workforce outcomes. This user-friendly system will include resources focused on early learning through K-12 and higher education, as well as on the financial aid and social services that help students reach their goals. The California Student Aid Commission is one of the data providers for Cradle-to-Career.

RESPONSIBLE PERSON(S):

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ATTACHMENT(S):

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