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Cabrillo College Governing Board Adopts Resolution 008-17 In Support of Undocumented, Vulnerable, and Targeted Students

APTOS, CA — At its March 6 meeting, the Cabrillo College Governing Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution 008-17 in support of undocumented, vulnerable and targeted students.

The Resolution was first placed on the Board agenda as an Information Item at its January, 2017 meeting. Following a collaborative process where input was solicited and considered from Cabrillo College faculty, staff and students, and a revised version was presented at the February meeting, the final revision was presented as an Action Item at the March 6, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting and was adopted by the Cabrillo College Governing Board.

“We are grateful to the Cabrillo College Governing Board and to the entire Cabrillo College community for their input on this important Resolution,” said Michelle Morton, Cabrillo Librarian and Faculty Senate Member. “These students have a lot to offer our community, and it is in our best interest to keep them enrolled at Cabrillo. Keeping our students focused on their education during this uncertain time is going to require all of us working together.”

The entire Resolution can be viewed [here](#). This Board Resolution resolves that:

- Consistent with the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges Resolution 2017-01, Cabrillo College will not release any personally identifiable student information, including data related to immigration status, without a judicial warrant, subpoena, or court order unless authorized by the student or required by law, and
- Consistent with the California Community Colleges Board of Governors Resolution 2017-01, Cabrillo College will not cooperate with any federal effort to create a registry of individuals based on any protected characteristics such as religion, national origin, race, or sexual orientation, and
- The Cabrillo Community College District agrees that the campus Sheriff’s department should not detain, question, or arrest any individual solely on the basis of (suspected) undocumented immigration status, and
- Because the following actions support the "physical safety and emotional well-being of undocumented and other targeted students" and Cabrillo's commitment to equity and diversity, and are consistent with the Webinar information provided by Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore Law Firm (January, 10, 2017), and the Board of Governors Resolution No. 2017-01 (2017), Cabrillo College commits to continuing existing

- activities that support the services for undocumented and targeted students and to communicate other information about services outside of Cabrillo College that may also support these students, and
- That the Governing Board of Cabrillo College goes on record in support of all immigrant, undocumented, vulnerable, and targeted students and their families, and
 - That the Governing Board of Cabrillo College and the President, faculty, and staff will continue to work every day to create a positive school climate and culture where every student respected as a valued member of the school community, and
 - That the Governing Board of Cabrillo College will advocate on behalf of the rights of all students as part of both the statewide Community College System's commitment and the partnership commitments amongst our public K-12 and higher educational institutions.

"In addition to a number of support programs and services that we already offer on campus for targeted and vulnerable students, this important Resolution underscores the fact that Cabrillo is committed to supporting ALL of our students," said Dr. Laurel Jones, President and Superintendent, Cabrillo College. "We believe the physical safety and the emotional well-being of all students, including undocumented and other vulnerable students, is paramount to students being able to achieve."

About Cabrillo College

Cabrillo College is a leading California community college serving Santa Cruz County with locations in Aptos, Scotts Valley and Watsonville. It is ranked #1 in transfers to UC Santa Cruz. Founded in 1959, the college offers over 100 academic and career technical education programs that serve multiple educational goals such as A.A. and A.S. degrees, certificates of achievement, skills certificates, transfer to 4-year institutions or for lifelong learning and personal enrichment. Cabrillo College is a dynamic, diverse and responsive educational community that is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic, career, and personal development goals.

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