



# Cerritos College

## **Draft Resolution of the Cerritos College District Board of Trustees in Support of Assembly Bill 705 to Increase Student Success through the Utilization of Multiple Measures**

- 1) WHEREAS, California Community Colleges is the largest postsecondary education system in the nation with over 50 years of extensive depth and breadth in higher educational programs, be it certificate and/or degree program, and contributing to the demand for a skilled workforce that in turn provides the economic vitality of the community;
- 2) WHEREAS, the Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012 requires California Community Colleges increase college student access and success through effective matriculation services, orientation, assessment and placement, counseling, and other educational services;
- 3) WHEREAS, California Assembly bill (AB 705) would direct California Community Colleges to maximize all necessary tools and assessments, be it student transcripts and test scores as a form of multiple measures to achieve the goal of facilitating proper student support and placement in successful programs;
- 4) WHEREAS, a Multiple Measures Assessment Project report completed by the Research and Planning Group for California Community Colleges in 2015 found that colleges studied cut their student's time in remediation by at least one semester saw students twice as likely to pass college level English and four times as likely to pass math within two years;
- 5) WHEREAS, the California Community Colleges offers one of the most cost-effective educational programming in the state of California at \$46 per unit, an affordable means for students seeking higher opportunities and professional development;
- 6) WHEREAS, it is the objective of Cerritos Community College District to assist in student success through a wide range of support services;
- 7) THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Cerritos Community College District supports AB 705 and legislation that would ensure all information is utilized in the placement and, including the use of multiple measures to improve students' academic excellence, and increase student retention and graduation.