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4CD Students Get Access to Online Courses Statewide

Contra Costa Community College District (4CD) colleges -- Contra Costa College, Diablo Valley College and its San Ramon Campus, and Los Medanos College and its Brentwood Center -- are among the first 15 colleges in the state to become Teaching Colleges on the California Virtual Campus – Online Education initiative (CVC-OEI) Exchange cross-enrollment platform. CVC-OEI is designed to ensure more students are able to successfully complete their educational goals and achieve their higher education degree or certificate by increasing access to and success in high-quality online courses.

4CD students can now quickly enroll in online courses offered at other eligible community colleges in the state without completing another college application, and vice versa. In addition, transcripts and financial aid are also coordinated to streamline these processes for students.

"If students can't find the class they need that suits their schedule at their own campus, the CVC-OEI Exchange provides an easy and seamless way for them take a course online at other community colleges in the system," says 4CD dean of distance education Joanna Miller. "This expanded access to online classes will ultimately help our students complete their educational goals and advance more quickly toward their careers or 4-year colleges."

The CVC-OEI is a collaborative project among California's community colleges and is funded by a grant disbursed by the California Community College Chancellor's Office. CCC and DVC have been members of the CVC Consortium since 2018, with Los

Medanos College joining in 2020. For more information about the CVC-OEI, visit https://cvc.edu/about-the-oei/ or contact Andrea Hanstein at ahanstein@cvc.edu.

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The Contra Costa Community College District (4CD) is one of the largest multi-college community college districts in California. The 4CD serves a population of 1,159,540 people, and its boundaries encompass all but 48 of the 734-square-mile land area of Contra Costa County. 4CD is home to Contra Costa College in San Pablo, Diablo Valley College in Pleasant Hill, Los Medanos College in Pittsburg, as well as educational centers in Brentwood and San Ramon. The District headquarters is located in downtown Martinez. For more information visit www.4cd.edu.

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