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Dear Colleagues,

As many of you are aware, implementation of SB 70 has resulted in a great deal of work between the Chancellor's Office and the California Department of Education to promote Career Technical Education pathways for California students. The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges has been involved in significant efforts to articulate secondary and community college CTE courses, with the result that many high school and ROP students are completing coursework that enables them to earn Credit by Exam for articulated community college courses.

In order to apply for Credit by Exam, current regulations require that a student be "enrolled in good standing" at the institution. Some community colleges have interpreted this to mean that a student must complete 12 units at the community college in order to be determined to be "in good standing." While there is currently nothing to preclude a college from adopting that policy, I want to clarify that there is nothing in current law or regulations that requires it. A student who enrolls at the college can be considered "in good standing" until the student's actions or performance result in loss of "good standing" status. There is no requirement in Title 5 that local policies require any units to be completed before the awarding of "credit by exam."

The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges has held discussions with CACCRAO representatives as well as CTE administrators from colleges and the Chancellor's Office to explore ways to improve the transition of secondary CTE students into community college programs. These discussions will resume and further refinements in this area, including possible regulatory changes, may be proposed. You will be further advised and consulted as these discussions move forward.

Feel free to contact me if you have questions.

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