

ACADEMIC SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3
CCC Apply

Whereas the Kern Community College District will be recognized as an exemplary educational leader, partnering with our communities to develop potential and create opportunities (KCCD Policy 1B); and

Whereas the Board of Trustees and the employees of the Kern Community College District value "Assisting student(s) to achieve informed educational goals" (KCCD Policy 1B2A); and

Whereas the mission of the Kern Community College District is to provide outstanding educational programs and services (KCCD Policy 1B3): and

Whereas the California Community College Chancellor's Office is providing an opportunity to participate in CCC Apply, a single application portal allowing students to apply to any participating California Community College; and

Whereas CCC Apply is a state-of-the-art and holistic admissions application process similar to the California State University's CSU Mentor and the University of California's UC Apply Online; and

Whereas currently 104 California Community Colleges are participating in CCC Apply; and

Whereas CCC Apply is free and represents the most up-to-date security standards for over 2 million students annually; and

Whereas, CCC Apply is a superior admission process system to KCCD's current admission process system; and

Whereas students consistently report confusion with the KCCD's current registration process producing errors corrected daily by the Admissions and Records department; and

Whereas the CCC Apply process has a 95% approval rating from students seeking assistance with the process, with help lines normally responding in 30 seconds or less; and

Whereas Kern County high school counselors teach students to use CCC Apply and have complained about ambiguity with the KCCD admissions process; and

Whereas the CCC Apply application process has a 98% satisfaction rate among users; and

Whereas CCC Apply provides applications beyond KCCD's process that better serve students, including a free Spanish application, a free international application and a free BOG waiver form; and

Whereas language relating to majors and other campus specific information is customizable by the local college and additional applications for locally specific information can be added; and

Whereas the CCC Apply application guarantees regular updates and compliance with all legal requirements for applications, while KCCD's application at times has fallen out of compliance; and

Whereas a single community college identifier (in addition to a local identifier) allows a student's data to be linked to data within the system enhancing the matriculation process; and

Whereas CCC Apply has presented a plan that addresses the KCCD student email issues, offering to do some programming to make it work per KCCD requests, saving KCCD money; and

Whereas important statewide learning initiatives including the Common Assessment Initiative, the Educational Portal Initiative and the Online Education Initiative require participation in CCC Apply to allow electronic implementation of fundamental data in multiple measurement analysis; and

Whereas Bakersfield College has been requesting CCC Apply for the District for approximately 2 years and with increased entreaties the last nine (9) months;

Be it Resolved, KCCD Board of Trustees uphold the District's Vision to be an exemplary educational leader by joining and implementing CCC Apply, enabling its college (s) to remain in the significant role as pilot college (s) for statewide initiatives such as the Common Assessment Initiative , the Educational Portal Initiative, and the Online Education Initiative;

Be it Resolved, KCCD Board of Trustees be devoted to the District's value to assisting students to achieve informed educational goals by joining the 104 California Community Colleges already utilizing the free online open CCC Apply;

Be it Resolved, KCCD Board of Trustees remain faithful to our Mission to provide outstanding service to our students and communities by adopting and implementing the superior application admissions program, CCC Apply, supported by the California Community College Chancellor's Office and adopted by 69 of 72 California Community College Districts;

Be it Resolved, the Academic Senate has the responsibility to ensure decisions serve students with an education of the highest possible quality. The first contact with our students should be a decision made by those USING the application. Bakersfield College's SGA, Academic Senate, CSEA and College Council support the adoption and implementation of CCC Apply. KCCD Board of Trustees should recognize this academic decision, issuing a directive to the district office to proceed expeditiously.