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California Community Colleges Classified Senate Introduces 4CS Cares to Support Long-Term Campus Engagement

Statewide initiative will help colleges reflect on, sustain, and build upon practices and values that strengthen campus communities

SACRAMENTO, Calif. September 1, 2026 The California Community Colleges Classified Senate (4CS) is introducing **4CS Cares**, a statewide initiative designed to support colleges as they continue building caring, connected, and inclusive campus communities.

Across California's community colleges, classified professionals and campus partners have participated in efforts designed to strengthen relationships, improve student experience, foster belonging, and create a stronger sense of community. 4CS Cares is intended to help colleges reflect on that work and identify ways to sustain and build upon the practices and values that have become part of their campus culture.

"Meaningful change happens when the practices developed through campus initiatives become part of the everyday culture of an institution," said **Trisha Albertsen, 4CS President Emerita, with the California Community Colleges Classified Senate**. "4CS Cares is an opportunity for classified professionals and colleges to reflect on what has worked, identify what support is needed, and continue strengthening the caring and connected campus environments they have worked so hard to build."

Listening to Colleges Through the 4CS Cares Survey

As an initial step in developing 4CS Cares, 4CS is inviting colleges to participate in the **4CS Cares Survey**. The survey is designed to help 4CS better understand how colleges are sustaining the practices and values developed through their campus engagement work and what types of support would be most useful moving forward.

The feedback gathered through the survey will help 4CS identify opportunities for future professional learning, networking, communication, resources, engagement activities, and other forms of support based directly on the needs identified by colleges.

4CS encourages colleges to complete the survey and share their experiences, successes, challenges, and ideas.

Complete the [4CS Cares Survey](#)

Request Support Through 4CS Cares

In addition to the survey, colleges will have an opportunity to submit **4CS Cares Service Requests** to identify specific areas where they would like support. Service requests will help 4CS better understand individual campus needs and explore ways the organization can provide assistance, resources, connections, or other support.

Submit a [4CS Cares Service Request](#)

Statewide Webinar: Sharing Results and Learning from Colleges

Following the survey period, 4CS will host a statewide webinar to share the survey results, highlight themes emerging from participating colleges, and provide an opportunity for colleges to offer additional feedback and ideas. The webinar will help inform the next phase of 4CS Cares and ensure that future support reflects what colleges are experiencing and what they identify as most valuable.

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Statewide 4CS Cares Webinar

Date: September 18, 2026

Time: 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Facilitated by: 4CS Cares Statewide Committee

[Webinar Link](#)

Additional information about 4CS Cares, including future resources and opportunities, will be shared as the initiative develops.

About the California Community Colleges Classified Senate

The California Community Colleges Classified Senate (4CS) is a statewide nonprofit organization representing and supporting classified professionals throughout California's community colleges. 4CS provides leadership development, professional learning, advocacy, networking, and opportunities for classified professionals to strengthen their role in student success and institutional effectiveness.

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