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Ready for College and Career

Creating Multiple Pathways of Integrated Academic and Technical Study

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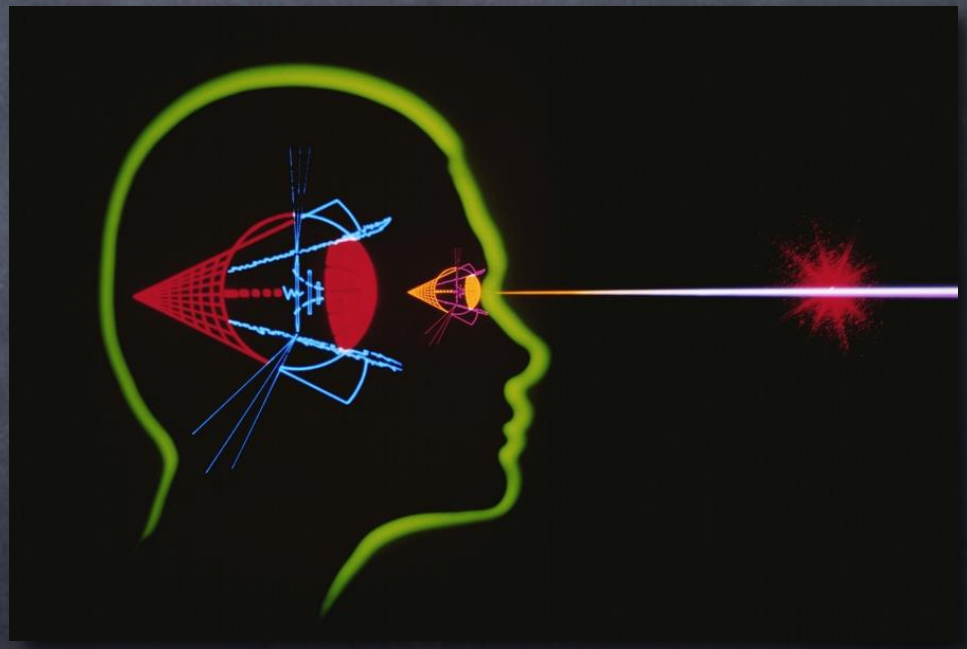
Transforming Education for Tomorrow's Economy

- Prepare students for <u>both</u> college and career
- Provide comprehensive pathways that combine challenging academic and technical study
- Ensure that programs lead to the full range of postsecondary options
- Expect accountability for learning and earning



Building Multiple Pathways to College and Career

A multi-grade program consisting of:

- An academic core meeting postsecondary eligibility requirements of UC, CSU, & community colleges
- A career/technical core meeting industry standards; providing certification
- Work-based learning
- Support services—supplementary instruction, counseling, and transportation

Industry Sectors as Organizing Themes

- Agriculture & Natural Resources
- Arts, Media, & Entertain.
- Building & Environmental Design
- Business & Finance
- Education & Child Dev.
- Energy & Utilities
- Engineering
- Fashion Design, Mfg., & Production
- Health Sciences & Medical Tech
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing
- Public Services
- Transportation

Delivery Strategies

- New multiple pathways—comprehensive programs of academic and technical study
  - Academies and small learning communities
  - Industry/career majors
  - Magnet theme-based high schools
  - Early college
  - Integrated ROP

Policy Priorities

1. Use Multiple Pathway framework to guide policy alignment
2. Develop model pathway programs & curriculum
3. Reform teacher credentialing
4. Strengthen teacher preparation and professional development
5. Expand work-based learning
6. Create more flexible school organization and scheduling
7. Adapt assessment & accountability
8. Adjust school finance

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And
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