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De Anza College	Building on its tradition of excellence, De Anza College challenges students of every background to: • develop their intellect, character and abilities; • achieve their educational goals; and, • serve their community in a diverse and changing world.
Foothill	A well-educated population being essential to sustaining and enhancing a democratic society, Foothill College commits itself to providing access to outstanding educational opportunities for all of our students. Whether through basic skills, career preparation, lifelong learning, or transfer, the members of the Foothill College community are dedicated to the achievement of learning and to the success of our students. We affirm that our unwavering dedication to this mission is critical to the prosperity of our community, our state, our nation, and the global community to which all people are members.
Evergreen Valley	With student learning as our primary focus, Evergreen Valley College's mission is to empower students to expand their human potential and to succeed in a global, multicultural society. We prepare students of all ages and backgrounds for balanced and productive lives, so they can ultimately improve the workforce and quality of life in our communities. We meet our mission through a wide spectrum of educational experiences, flexible methodologies, and support services for our students:
	Strategic Initiatives 1. Student-Centered: We provide access to quality and efficient programs and services to ensure student success. Areas of focus are: • Access / Curriculum and Program Development / Student Service Offerings 2. Community Engagement: We create a trusting environment where everyone is valued and empowered. Areas of focus are: • Visibility / Strategic Partnerships / College in the Community 3. Organizational Transformation: We will transform the college image and enhance partnerships with community, business and educational institutions. Areas of focus are: • Community Building / Employee Development / Transparent Infrastructure
Mission College	Mission College is an open access community college serving the ever-changing educational and economic development needs of Santa Clara, Silicon Valley, and the larger community. Seeking to develop community leaders and global stewards in a competitive world economy, the college provides transfer, degree, and certificate programs in lower division arts and sciences; community, career, and vocational education; and educational opportunities in basic skills and English as a Second Language. To accomplish its mission, the college provides the most advanced academic and technological resources, comprehensive student services, and enriching aesthetic experiences to help students succeed and to participate responsibly in a democratic society.
San Jose City	"The mission of San Jose City College is to effect social justice by providing open and equitable access to quality education and programs that both challenge and prepare individuals for successful careers and active participation in a diverse, global society. To fulfill our commitment to student learning and to assist students of all ages and backgrounds in achieving their education, employment, and life-long learning goals, we offer the following: • Two year college degrees and certificates • Lower-division transfer and general education courses • Basic skills and English as a Second Language instruction • Career and technology training The Mission Statement was adopted by the College Planning Council on May 8, 2009."
West Valley	"West Valley College is committed to the broad educational mission of the California Community College system, which is in part, to offer lower division academic instruction and career preparation and to promote lifelong learning, intellectual rigor, aesthetic appreciation, respect for individual and world views, and responsible citizenship both locally and globally. The college is also committed to fulfill its mission to advance California's economic development by creating economic opportunities in the communities it serves." <i>Approved by College Council on March 8</i> , 2007

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Chabot	Chabot College is a public, comprehensive community college that prepares students to succeed in their education, progress in the workplace, and engage in the civic and cultural life of the global community. The college furthers student learning and responds to the educational needs of our local population and economy. The college serves as an educational leader, contributing its resources to the intellectual, cultural, physical, and economic vitality of the region. Recognizing that learning is a lifelong journey, the college provides opportunities for intellectual enrichment and physical well-being of all community members who can benefit.	
Skyline	Skyline College is a comprehensive, open access community college that provides student-centered education leading to transfer, career advancement, basic skills development, and personal enrichment. The College is committed to preparing students to be culturally sensitive members of the community, critical thinkers, proficient users of technology, effective communicators, socially responsible lifelong learners and informed participants of a democracy in an increasingly global society. Skyline offers innovative instruction and student support to a rich tapestry of diverse learners through the hallmarks of the college: academic excellence, responsive student services, advanced technology, community and industry partnerships, and workforce and economic development. Vision and Mission statements approved by the Skyline College Council on February 28, 2007 and the Mission statement approved by the Board of Trustees on April 11, 2007.	
Cal State East Bay	The University's mission is to provide an academically rich, multicultural learning experience that prepares all its students to realize their goals, pursue meaningful lifework, and to be socially responsible contributors to their communities, locally and globally.	
Santa Clara U	Santa Clara University is a Catholic and Jesuit institution that makes student learning its central focus, promotes faculty and staff learning in its various forms, and exhibits organizational learning as it deals with the challenges facing it. Student learning takes place at the undergraduate and graduate level in an educational environment that integrates rigorous inquiry and scholarship, creative imagination, reflective engagement with society, and a commitment to fashioning a more humane and just world. As an academic community, we expand the boundaries of knowledge and insight through teaching, research, artistic expression, and other forms of scholarship. It is primarily through discovering, communicating, and applying knowledge that we exercise our institutional responsibility as a voice of reason and conscience in society. We offer challenging academic programs and demonstrate a commitment to the development of: • Undergraduate students who seek an education with a strong humanistic orientation in a primarily residential setting. • Graduate students, many of them working professionals in Silicon Valley, who seek advanced degree programs that prepare them to make significant contributions to their fields. In addition to these core programs, we also provide a variety of continuing education and professional development opportunities for non-matriculated students. Santa Clara University, Approved by the Board of Trustees, February 20, 1998.	
SJSU	In collaboration with nearby industries and communities, SJSU faculty and staff are dedicated to achieving the university's mission as a responsive institution of the State of California: To enrich the lives of its students, to transmit knowledge to its students along with the necessary skills for applying it in the service of our society, and to expand the base of knowledge through research and scholarship.	
Stanford	Its nature, that of a university with such seminaries of learning as shall make it of the highest grade, including mechanical institutes, museums, galleries of art, laboratories, and conservatories, together with all things necessary for the study of agriculture in all its branches, and for mechanical training, and the studies and exercises directed to the cultivation and enlargement of the mind: Its object, to qualify its students for personal success, and direct usefulness in life; And its purposes, to promote the public welfare by exercising an influence in behalf of humanity and civilization, teaching the blessings of liberty regulated by law, and inculcating love and reverence for the great principles of government as derived from the inalienable rights of man to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. <i>From Founding Grant.</i> (Contemporary mission statements exist for all units of university)	