Caring Campus California

The Institute for Evidence-Based Change (IEBC) created Caring Campus based on research showing students who feel more connected to their college show higher rates of retention and persistence and completing their academic goals. Qualitative and quantitative evidence demonstrates the positive impact of Caring Campus, including achievement gap reduction. Students thrive in welcoming and supportive environments.

The California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office (CCCCO) incorporated the Caring Campus approach to support Guided Pathways, the Governor’s Roadmap and the Vision for Success.

- CCCCO funding is enabling more than 70 California community colleges to participate in Caring Campus California.
- IEBC’s Caring Campus model ensures campus-wide student connectedness.
- Community college faculty and staff are coached to implement research-based behaviors that increase student connectedness.

Through Caring Campus California, we coach faculty and staff to implement research-based behaviors that increase student connectedness, leading to increased student success.

- Customized coaching for faculty and staff.
- Coaching followed by faculty/staff teams’ creation of behavior implementation plans.
- Cabinet and department leaders champion implementation.
- Caring Campus transforms faculty, staff, and administrator behaviors.

Caring Campus California goes immediately to scale after one to two semesters of coaching. IEBC remains involved to support ongoing implementation and sustainability of the program.

- Campus-wide culture of caring through intentional behaviors.
- Collaborative efforts embed caring behaviors across the college.
- Faculty, staff, and administrators at all levels contribute to student success.

Participating Caring Campus colleges report multi-level benefits internally as well as for their students. Everyone benefits from embracing a culture of caring.

- Caring Campus leads to increased faculty, staff, and leadership satisfaction.
- Improves relationships among professional staff, faculty, and campus leadership.
- Enhances departmental awareness and cross-functionality.
- Caring Campus shows immediate value for students, employees, and the college.

The Institute for Evidence-Based Change is a nationally recognized nonprofit organization dedicated to helping education stakeholders – community colleges, universities, K-12 school systems, employers and others – use coaching, collaboration, and data to make informed decisions and craft solutions that improve practice and dramatically increase student success through our innovative approach. Learn more about IEBC and Caring Campus at www.iebcnow.org