Student Records and Planning Tools Use Case

What types of information could be in phase one of the California data system?

This use case will be reevaluated in fall 2020 based on input from data system planning committees and the broader public.

The student records and planning tools use case serves a number of strategic priorities for the state data system.

**Electronic Transcripts**
- Provide a consistent platform that streamlines college, financial aid, and transfer application processes for students and institutions
- Expand the types of records that can be shared for adults pursuing employment-related training, such as competency-based credentials, experiential transcripts, e-portfolios, certifications, and badges

**Eligibility**
- Enable students to authorize information-sharing that would qualify them for support services, such as whether they are a foster youth or have received public services including CalFresh, Cal-WORKS, and Medi-Cal

**College Planning**
- Provide K12 districts with the tools and curriculum needed to systematize college and career guidance practices

**College-Readiness and Transfer Monitoring**
- Allow students, parents, educators, and counselors to monitor factors that influence college-going and retention rates, such as completion of eligibility requirements for four-year colleges and submission of financial aid applications

**Data Clean Up**
- Identify instances where information is inaccurate in local student information systems and support educational institutions to correct this information

Due to legal and technical considerations, including the fact that data can only be shared when the student gives consent, information from the student records and planning tools would not be connected to the other data in the state system in phase one.
Partner entities contributing information
- Individual K-12 districts
- Individual postsecondary institutions
- Potentially: California Department of Education
- Potentially: California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office, California State University Chancellor’s Office, University of California Office of the President

Types of data provided
- Institution attended
- Statewide common identifier (SSID)
- Demographic information
- Courses taken
- Date course was taken
- Course grade
- Course characteristics (such as whether it fulfills a specific a-g requirement, dual enrollment status, transfer status)
- Grade point average
- College application status
- Financial aid application status
- Education award status (such as graduated from high school or earned an associate degree for transfer)
- Non-traditional learning artifacts like competency credentials and badges
- Foster youth and social services status [optional]

How data would be accessed
- Student initiates permission for records to be shared
- Information is passed from the education institutions attended by the student to the receiving college or California Student Aid Commission
- Students, families, and educators (with appropriate permissions) can view information on progress toward education goals from a password-protected interface