GOLDEN STATE PATHWAYS PROGRAM

Advancing from Policy to Implementation

LINKED LEARNING® ALLIANCE

The Linked Learning Alliance champions the success of our state's historic investment in college and career readiness—in partnership with all who share this aim.

California's $470 million Golden State Pathways Program (GSPP) is modeled on Linked Learning pathways, which integrate career learning with rigorous academics and student supports. The Alliance exists to make sure a growing number of California students have access to a high-quality pathway experience—and its proven benefits to high school achievement, college enrollment, career readiness, and equity. We are uniquely motivated and qualified to ensure that such pathways are implemented with the *quality and coherence* that extensive third-party research links with successful student outcomes.

EVIDENCE-BASED IMPACT

The Alliance collaborates with funders and policymakers and works directly with local pathway leaders and educators toward the GSPP goals we share for opportunity and economic mobility across California. We:

Maximize the capabilities of GSPP grantees

- Providing high-value professional development
- Leading communities of practice for each of nine GSPP target outcomes
- Training the trainers with a capacity-building guide
- Consulting practitioners on effective strategies and steps

Elevate the quality of pathway implementation

- Ensuring coherence across program strategies and features
- Upholding standards of quality critical to targeted outcomes

Expand the movement for adolescent thriving

- Aligning education segments
- Engaging partners in industry and civic leadership
- Sharing insights across regions and sectors

✔ **Advocate for adolescents and pathways that serve them.** After the California legislature approved the GSPP, its resources came under threat multiple times. The Alliance offered testimony and rallied support to ensure the education communities awarded GSPP grants would receive them.

✔ **Lead technical assistance partner.** The Alliance is lead partner for the Golden State Pathways Program's State TAC.

✔ **Quality standard bearer.** In addition to organizing the 10-year, 9-district pilot that provided the Linked Learning proof of concept validated through SRI International research, the Alliance operates a program of certification in concert with experienced Linked Learning practitioners from across the field. Certification defines the practices required for positive student outcomes. It reinforces excellence and equity. And it enables providers to assess progress, demonstrate efficacy, and continuously improve.

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The Linked Learning Alliance is eager to activate our insights, tools, and networks for the constituencies you serve. We are staffed to provide skilled support across the public, private, and philanthropic domains.

Contact us to get started: **info@linkedlearning.org**