Our Values

- We believe that the Student Success and Completion Agenda is the future of TCC: Completion matters and every student counts.
- We believe that the “open door” must not be a “revolving door,” and that TCC must take responsibility for both student access and student success.
- We believe in every student’s potential and responsibility to succeed.
- We ask every member of the campus community—administrators, faculty, staff and students—to help one student succeed.

Preparation for TCC

- We commit to working with our K-12 partners and other precollege programs to provide students the best preparation for being successful in college.
- We commit to the development of innovative programs, pathways and pedagogies to assist underprepared students in attaining the necessary skills to be successful in college and earn a degree or certificate.

Access to TCC

- We ask all members of the administration, staff, faculty and student organizations to examine current practices, to identify ways to help students understand the added value of degrees and certificates, and to facilitate our students’ progress toward their goals.
- We commit to courageous conversations about diversity, equity and evidence reflecting student success and institutional performance.

Academic Achievement at TCC

- We commit to promoting faculty and staff development focused on evidence-based educational practice that promotes student responsibility and student success.
- We commit, while increasing success rates for all students, to eliminating the attainment gaps that separate student groups on the basis of race, ethnicity, and family income.

Life Beyond TCC

- We believe that community colleges are gateways to the middle class and beyond for millions of Americans.
- We believe that community colleges are an invaluable economic engine driving the nation, the state, and our region toward renewed and sustained economic prosperity.
- We ask community members and partners to support and work with us to help more students succeed.
- We ask elected officials to create the policy conditions that enable, support and reward our work to strengthen student success.
- We ask other community colleges to join us by signing and sharing this commitment and call to action.

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