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## **Chancellor Search Update**

The Governing Board (Board) reports progress is being made on the search for the next chancellor of the Contra Costa Community College District (District) following Chancellor Helen Benjamin's December 31, 2016, retirement announcement. The Board is committed to conducting an equitable, inclusive, and transparent national search that will attract a strong pool of outstanding candidates.

"The selection of our next chancellor is one of our most important responsibilities," said Governing Board President Vicki Gordon. "We encourage our students, staff, and community members to participate in the process."

Community input on the following two questions can be submitted online through the District's website by clicking onto "Chancellor Search," or you may send an email directly to search consultant Dr. Pamila Fisher at <a href="mailto:pamfisher@bresnan.net">pamfisher@bresnan.net</a> as soon as possible.

The questions are:

- 1. What are the major issues and challenges facing the District and its colleges in the next three to five years?
- 2. What characteristics, qualities, attributes and skills do you think are critical for the new chancellor's success?

Progress reports and updates will be posted on the District website, and members of the community can meet the chancellor finalists at public forums during the last stage of the process.

The Contra Costa Community College District (CCCCD) is one of the largest multi-college community college districts in California. The CCCCD serves a population of 1,019,640 people, and its boundaries encompass all but 48 of the 734-square-mile land area of Contra Costa County. The District is home to Contra Costa College in San Pablo, Diablo Valley College in Pleasant Hill, Los Medanos College in Pittsburg, as well as educational centers in Brentwood and San Ramon. Each college is individually accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges. The District headquarters is located in downtown Martinez.