**Mission**

The MiraCosta Community College District mission is to provide superior educational opportunities and student-support services to a diverse population of learners with a focus on their success. MiraCosta offers undergraduate degrees, university-transfer courses, career-and-technical education, certificate programs, basic-skills education, and lifelong-learning opportunities that strengthen the economic, cultural, social, and educational well-being of the communities it serves.

**Institutional Goals**

**Goal I.** MiraCosta Community College District will become a vanguard educational institution committed to innovation and researched best practices, broad access to higher education, and environmental sustainability.

**Goal II.** MiraCosta Community College District will become the institution where each student has a high probability of achieving academic success.

**Goal III.** MiraCosta Community College District will institutionalize effective planning processes through the systematic use of data to make decisions.

**Goal IV.** MiraCosta Community College District will demonstrate high standards of stewardship and fiscal prudence.

**Goal V.** MiraCosta Community College District will be a conscientious community partner.

**Core Competencies**

**Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World**
- Attained through general education and major study in the sciences and mathematics, social and behavioral sciences, humanities, histories, languages, and the arts
- Informed by awareness of global issues and trends, focused by engagement with big questions, both contemporary and enduring

**Intellectual and Practical Skills, including**
- Inquiry, analysis and independent thinking
- Critical and creative thinking
- Quantitative literacy and problem solving
- Information literacy
- Written and oral communication skills
- Integration of knowledge

Practiced extensively across the curriculum in the context of progressively more challenging problems, projects, and standards for performance

**Personal and Social Responsibility and Efficacy, including**
- Civic knowledge and engagement—local and global
- Intercultural competence and respect for diverse perspectives
- Teamwork and collaborative skills
- Ethical reasoning and action
- Goal-setting / project-planning and completion
- Skills for ongoing personal, academic, and professional growth

Anchored in applied learning through active involvement with real world challenges and diverse environmental, workplace, cultural, and community contexts

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