

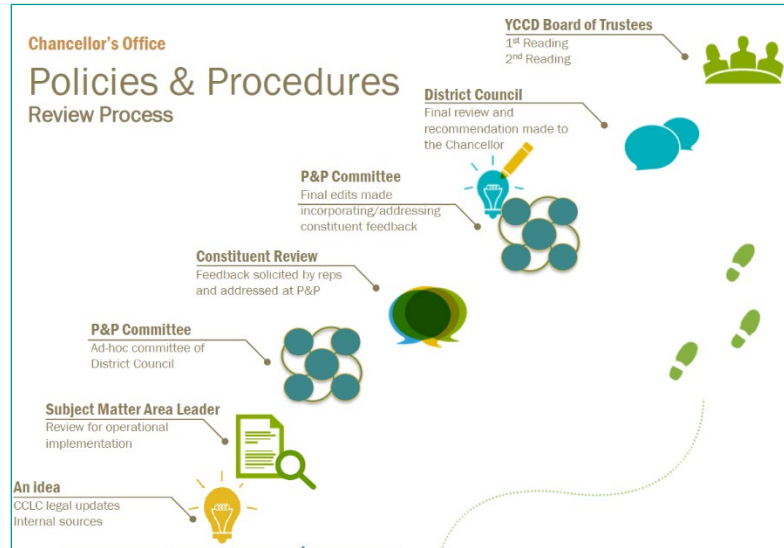
Yosemite CCD Board Policies and Administrative Procedures

The Review Process

Policies that go to the Board for adoption/revision are first vetted through a review process.

Steps (1-7) to Review*

1. The process begins with **an idea** to revise an existing board policy/procedure or recommend a new board policy/procedure. Recommendations for revision or new documents are most often initiated by the Community College League of California (CCLC) legal updates and by way of the six-year comprehensive review cycle; but, also come from other external or internal requests that can be considered during the annual review period.



2. **Subject matter area leaders** are consulted for operational applicability and feasibility (are we doing what we say we're doing and is what we're doing in alignment with all applicable laws, regulations, mandates, etc.).
3. The **Policies and Procedures Committee** reviews recommendations and creates drafts.
4. Feedback is solicited from **Constituent Groups** via their respective representatives. The Policies and Procedures Committee develops a draft and posts it on the District's Shared Files site as "Constituent Group Review." The Committee provides the constituency groups adequate time to review (typically at least 3 weeks), but does not dictate how that review occurs.
5. Constituent feedback is collected by their respective representatives and brought back to the Policies and Procedures Committee. **Final edits by the Committee** are made addressing, and when appropriate incorporating, constituent feedback.
6. Final committee drafts are forwarded to **District Council** for 1st and 2nd readings. The Chancellor hears input from District Council members, incorporates feedback as appropriate, and prepares a final draft for the Board. Drafts prepared for DC can be found on the P&P Committee Shared Files site in the folder titled "Prepared for District Council."
7. Culminating Board Policy final drafts are presented to the **Board** for at least two readings prior to adoption. The Board acknowledges the participatory process through which Board policies are developed, reviewed, and revised. The Board is the final decision-maker in approving adoption of Board policies. Administrative procedures and any revisions since the last time they were provided are presented as information items, at the same time that the corresponding Board Policy is agendaized and may be revised by the Chancellor based on Board input prior to authorization. The Board reserves the right to direct revisions of the administrative procedures should they, in the Board's judgment, be inconsistent with the Board's own policies. Otherwise, the Chancellor has final disposition over administrative procedures.

**IMPORTANT NOTES regarding the review process:*

- *Policies and procedures needing modification or further direction may travel backward in the process by going back to constituency groups or others for final edit prior to going to the Board.*
- *At each step along the process, either directly or through committee representation, opportunities are present for constituent input.*
- *Also, part of the process is a contingency wherein the Chancellor may bypass the review process described above based on an emergency need. Regardless of which path the recommendation takes, it will be the Chancellor's responsibility to determine the next action for Policy/Procedure.*

Policies and Procedures Become Official When...

Policy adoption requires 1st and 2nd readings by the Board, followed by a majority vote of the whole Board (4 votes). Additional opportunities for public input are available at YCCD Board meetings, because each policy considered is done so as an open session Board Agenda Discussion Item. **The effective date of a given policy is the date of the Board meeting when the policy is adopted.** The Board acknowledges the participatory process through which Board policies are developed, reviewed, and revised. The Board is the final decision-maker in approving adoption of Board policies.

Procedure implementation requires Chancellor approval. Procedures follow the same review process as policy, including that of constituent review and feedback, but they do not require Board action. Instead, they are presented to the Chancellor for implementation and later provided to the Board as an open session Board Agenda Information Item. **The effective date of Procedure is the date when the Procedure is implemented by the Chancellor (historically, the date used has been either the date of the District Council meeting at which they are presented OR the date that the Information Item is on the Board agenda).**

All policies and procedures are posted on the YCCD Policies and Procedures website as revisions occur. New and revised policies and procedures are also communicated through the Chancellor's District-wide recap of the Board meeting in the *Board Connections* email and through Board Minutes and District Council Minutes.

Policies and Procedures Committee

The Policies and Procedures Committee is an ad hoc committee of the District Council, represented by each of the following constituency groups:

Constituency Group Representation

MJC Academic Senate (MJC Academic Senate President or designee)
Columbia College Academic Senate (CC Academic Senate President or designee)
Yosemite Faculty Association (YFA President or designee)
California School Employees Association (CSEA) (CSEA President or designee)
MJC Classified Senate (MJC Classified Senate President or designee)
Columbia College Classified Senate (CC Classified Senate President or designee)
MJC administrator (MJC President or designee)
Columbia College administrator (CC President or designee)
Central Services administrator (LTAC President or designee)
YCCD Student (YCCD Student Trustee or designee)
Chancellor's Office (YCCD Chancellor designee)

Current Reps (01/29/2026)

Gisele Flores
Erik Andal
Erin Black
Tracy Gillman
Aaron Colby
Elissa Creighton
Angelica Rodriguez
Melissa Raby
Samantha McCarty
Matthew Gutierrez
Kimberly Gibbs/Graciela Molina

The committee meets approximately once per month, usually during the academic calendar year and may meet as needed during the summer break.

Continuous Review Cycle – Annual and Comprehensive Six-Year Chapter Reviews

Purpose and References

The YCCD Board Policy and Administrative Procedure Continuous Review Cycle provides for:

- an annual review of legal update revisions provided by the CCLC in fall and spring necessitated by changes to Federal/State statutes and/or regulations, as well as accreditation standards, as well as an opportunity to address any other pressing revisions; and,
- a comprehensive six-year review cycle for all BPs and APs by chapter.

The annual and comprehensive reviews are conducted concurrently and scheduled so as to create a realistic and efficient workflow for reviewing groups. The need for timely and continuous review of BPs and APs is driven by the YCCD's commitment to fulfilling the District's/colleges' missions in service to students, maintaining legal and regulatory compliance, providing clarity regarding District policies, and coinciding with accreditation standards.

Related Accreditation Standards 4, 4.4, and 4.6:

- **4:** The institution engages in clear and effective governance practices that support the achievement of its mission. Governance roles and responsibilities are delineated in widely distributed policies, and institutional decision-making processes provide opportunities for meaningful participation and inclusion of relevant stakeholders.
- **4.4:** Acting through policy, the governing board takes responsibility for the overall quality and stability of the institution, and regularly monitors progress towards its goals and fiscal health.
- **4.6:** The governing board functions as a collective entity to promote the institution's values and mission and fulfill its fiduciary responsibilities. The governing board demonstrates an ability to self-govern in adherence to its bylaws and expectations for best practices in board governance.

Review Cycle – Annual and Comprehensive Chapter Reviews

Goal 1: Annual review of policies/procedures incorporating biannual legal update revisions issued in fall and spring by the CCLC.

Goal 2: Six-year comprehensive review cycle of all policies/procedures. Providing the six-year comprehensive chapter review schedule, as pictured below, allows all interested parties an opportunity to plan in advance to participate in the review process.

	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July			
	↓ Fall CCLC Update Provided												↓ Spring CCLC Update Provided		
Annual	Step 3. Fall→board			Step 1. Fall→leaders						Step 2. Fall→constituents					
	Step 1. Spring→leaders						Step 2. Spring→constituents						Step 3. Spring→board		
Comp	...Comp→leaders		Step 2. Comp→constituents			Step 3. Comp→board						Step 1. Comp→leaders			

The continuous review cycle allows for...



- An annual review for legal updates and pressing revisions
- A six-year comprehensive chapter review of all documents
- Balances workload among groups
- Consideration of the compressed calendar

Six-Year Cycle of Comprehensive Chapter Reviews

LR = Legally Required LA = Legally Advised GP = Good Practice

Board Policy		Administrative Procedures		Leadership Review (subject matter areas)	P&P Committee & Constituent Review	Board Consideration
Chapter 1: The District 2 BPs current (1-LR) 0 potential additions are legally required 0 potential additions are legally advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Chapter 1: The District 0 APs current 0 potential additions are legally required 0 potential additions are legal advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Summer 2022 Held for Further Review: 2100	Fall 2022/Spring 2023 2712	Spring 2023/Fall 2023		
Chapter 2: Board of Trustees 41 BPs current (8-LR, 5-LA, 10-GP) 0 potential additions are legally required 0 potential additions are legally advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Chapter 2: Board of Trustees 19 APs current (6-LR, 4-LA, 6-GP) 0 potential additions are legally required 0 potential additions are legal advised 1 potential additions are good practice					
Chapter 3: General Institution 41 BPs current (28-LR, 5-LA, 2-GP) 1 potential additions are legally required 0 potential additions are legally advised 1 potential addition are good practice	Chapter 3: General Institution 36 APs current (23-LR, 6-LA, 3-GP) 1 potential additions are legally required 1 potential addition are legally advised 3 potential additions are good practice	Summer 2023	Fall 2023/Spring 2024 Held for Further Review: 3310, 3410, 3415, 3430, 3433, 3434, 3435, 3540, 3560, 3-8020	Spring 2024/Fall 2025 3050, 3100, 3200, 3225, 3250, 3280, 3300, 3440, 3503, 3600, 3710, 3715, 3750, 3810, 3900, 3-8001		
Chapter 4: Academic Affairs 36 BPs current (24-LR, 4-LA, 0-GP) 1 potential addition are legally required 0 potential additions are legally advised 1 potential addition are good practice	Chapter 4: Academic Affairs 30 APs current (19-LR, 5-LA, 0-GP) 1 potential addition are legally required 6 potential additions are legally advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Summer 2024	Fall 2024/Spring 2025 4021, 4026, 4030, 4040, 4050, 4060, 4070, 4101, 4102, 4110, 4220, 4222, 4225, 4226, 4228, 4229, 4230, 4231, 4235, 4236, 4240, 4250, 4260, 4400, 4610, 4-8061, 4-8065, 4-8074	Spring 2025/Fall 2025 4010, 4020, 4025, 4100, 4103, 4105, 4227		
Chapter 5: Student Services 39 BPs current (29-LR, 3-LA, 1-GP) 1 potential additions are legally required 0 potential addition are legally advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Chapter 5: Student Services 35 APs current (25-LR, 6-LA, 3-GP) 1 potential additions are legally required 1 potential additions are legally advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Summer 2025 5010, 5012, 5013, 5015, 5017, 5020, 5031, 5035, 5045, 5052, 5070, 5110, 5120, 5130, 5140, 5150, 5200, 5203, 5205, 5210, 5220, 5300, 5400, 5420, 5570, 5610, 5800	Fall 2025/Spring 2026	Spring 2026/Fall 2026		
Chapter 6: Business & Fiscal Affairs 44 BPs current (21-LR, 7-LA, 7-GP) 2 potential additions are legally required 1 potential addition are legally advised 0 potential additions are good practice	Chapter 6: Business & Fiscal Affairs 34 APs current (14-LR, 6-LA, 10-GP) 3 potential additions are legally required 3 potential additions are legally advised 0 potential addition are good practice	Summer 2026	Fall 2026/Spring 2027	Spring 2027/Fall 2027		
Chapter 7: Human Resources 57 BPs current (12-LR, 11-LA, 2-GP) 0 potential additions are legally required 2 potential additions are legally advised 2 potential additions are good practice	Chapter 7: Human Resources 32 APs current (10-LR, 12-LA, 1-GP) 1 potential additions are legally required 5 potential additions are legally advised 2 potential additions are good practice	Summer 2027	Fall 2027/Spring 2028	Spring 2028/Fall 2028		

Volume: 260 Board Policies (BPs)
186 Administrative Procedures (APs)
41 Potential Additions (12 BPs & 29 APs)
487 Total documents reviewed over the six-year continuous review cycle

rev. 8/19/25, kg

Resources – Where can policies be found?

The YCCD Chancellor’s Office maintains and regularly updates YCCD Board policies and procedures. All documents are posted on the District website at <https://www.yosemite.edu/trustees/boardpolicy>.

There are seven (7) sections of YCCD policies and procedures:

- Section 1 – The District
- Section 2 – Board of Trustees
- Section 3 – General Institution
- Section 4 – Academic Affairs
- Section 5 – Student Services
- Section 6 – Business and Fiscal Affairs
- Section 7 – Human Resources

Additional Resources

The **Community College League of California (CCLC)** Policy & Procedure Service provides subscribers with templates that are drafted by and have undergone CCLC legal counsel review. These drafts include source citations to accreditation standards, legal references, etc. One may contact their P&P Committee constituent representative to request a CCLC template document or contact YCCD Chancellor’s Office at ext. 6519.

The Policies and Procedures Committee **Shared Files Site** contains drafts at varying stages in the review process. Drafts available during the policy review process can be accessed at <https://yosemiteccd.sharepoint.com/:f:/t/POLICYCOMMITTEE/ElsvPpS2wGRFIZHdF0DbFYwBeUfnl5TQwGgDtcgQreyXcQ> by entering an individual’s District credentials. One may contact their P&P Committee constituent representative or YCCD Chancellor’s Office for additional assistance.

Selected Multi-College District Policies and Procedures Websites

Chabot-Las Positas	http://districtazure.clpccd.org/policies/index.php
Coast	https://www.cccd.edu/boardoftrustees/boardpolicies/index.html
Contra Costa	https://www.4cd.edu/gb/policies-procedures/board/index.html
Foothill-DeAnza	http://www.boarddocs.com/ca/fhda/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=9U5PUR6583E5
Kern	https://www.kccd.edu/board-trustees/board-policy/board-policies-procedures
Los Rios	http://www.losrios.edu/legal/GCpolreg.htm
North Orange	https://www.nocccd.edu/policies-and-procedures
Peralta	http://web.peralta.edu/trustees/bps-aps/
Rancho Santiago	http://www.rscdd.edu/Trustees/Pages/Board-Policies.aspx
San Bernardino	https://sbccd.edu/about-sbccd/board-of-trustees/policies-and-procedures/index.php
San Diego	http://www.sdccd.edu/public/district/policies/
San Jose/Evergreen	https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/sjeccd/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=A8B2VQ022B2F
State Center	https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/scccd/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ASPN2B5DCB14
Ventura	https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/vcccd/Board.nsf/Public?open=&id=policies
West Valley-Mission	https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/wvm/Board.nsf/vpublic?open
Yuba	http://www.boarddocs.com/ca/yccd/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=8VV3AK05F075

History

The comprehensive YCCD Policy Manual Review process began in 1999 at the direction of the YCCD Board of Trustees with the goal of revising, updating or deleting existing YCCD policies as appropriate. Upon completion of this task in 2001, the Community College League of California (CCLC) also produced a set of model policies and procedures that were legally required for accreditation, legally advised or suggested as good practice. After the CCLC model policies were distributed, it was decided that the YCCD Policy Manual Review Committees would be established to compare and contrast the committee's original recommendations with the CCLC model policies and develop a system for continuous review.

May 2002 to June 2004:

The YCCD Board adopted new policies in various stages. New policies adopted by the Board in May 2002 in Section 7. The complete revision of Policy was adopted by June 28, 2004.

June 2004 to June 2007:

Procedures revision then followed, and was completed by June 13, 2007.

June 2007 to August 2015:

Additional policies and procedures had been added and/or modified and adopted by the Board on a continuous basis. The review and revision of policies and procedures continued as an ongoing process primarily responding to CCLC annual updates and internal suggestions during this period. In 2012, all YCCD policies and procedures were renumbered to reflect the CCLC numbering system.

August 2015 to May 2024:

In August 2015, the Board held a study session on the topic of policies and procedures. At that session, the continuous review cycle was presented. The newly developed cycle provided for an annual review timeline that looks at CCLC legal updates and other pressing revisions requested, as well as a six-year comprehensive chapter review timeline. Additions to the process also included an opportunity for subject matter area leaders to review recommended changes at the front end for operational feasibility. Following implementation, additional process improvements were made, such as adding a second reading at District Council, a "last reviewed" date to each document noting review irrespective of revision(s), and providing open access to the P&P Committee Shared Files site. Implementation of the review cycle commenced in August 2015; and, since that time, parties have generally maintained the timeline and review schedule of approximately 15 new documents per month, while still allowing for adequate dialogue.

May 2024 to present:

At the May 8, 2024, Regular Board Meeting, the Board adopted revisions to Board Policy 2410 to formally separate the Board Policies and Administrative Procedures into two distinct documents. In addition to separating the documents, the District also moved the policies and procedures over to the District's BoardDocs site. Hyperlinks to the BoardDocs site were added to the District's Policies & Procedures website.