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## Los Medanos College

Los Medanos College is an award-winning higher education institution. It is the leading force in the economic development of eastern Contra Costa County. Los Medanos College offers high quality instruction in short-term courses for career education programs to enhance job skills, technology training, and preparation for the workforce. Los Medanos College experienced and expert faculty teach courses for transfer credit at four-year institutions, general education and major coursework leading to associate of arts or science degrees, and to certificates of achievement. Support services focus on student success and achieving equitable outcomes for all students. From its welcoming campus culture to its state-of-the-art facilities, the College demonstrates its commitment to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment.

The Pittsburg Campus is located on 120 acres bordering Antioch, with an additional education center in Brentwood. The name of the College derives from the 8,000-acre Rancho Los Medanos, which was one of the last land grants made by the Mexican government when California was still a territory of Mexico. Rancho Los Medanos covered most of Pittsburg and Antioch, including the site of the College. Translated into English, Los Medanos refers to inland sand dunes or sand hills, which may be a reference to the sandy terrain that characterizes eastern Contra Costa County with its long history of sand mining.

## Mission Statement

Los Medanos College provides our community with equitable access to educational opportunities and support services that empower students to achieve their academic and career goals in a diverse and inclusive learning environment.

## Our Vision

Los Medanos College will be a leader in providing innovative, dynamic, and equitable educational experiences, support services, and career opportunities that empower students and transform our community.

## Our Values

**Excellence:** We strive for **EXCELLENCE** in the academic programs, support services, resources, facilities, and educational experiences that we provide to our students and community. We continuously work toward performing at the highest level, exceeding standards, and achieving our institutional goals.

**Respect:** All members of our campus community deserve – and must be treated with – **RESPECT**. We honor the attributes, skills, abilities, and contributions of each individual, and are committed to treating one another with dignity, civility, and compassion.

**Diversity:** We believe deeply in the important role of **DIVERSITY** in the success of our students and institution. We recognize that our highest potential – individually and collectively – can only be achieved when we: embrace and celebrate the diversity in our student body and community; hire, support, and retain a diverse and highly-qualified workforce; provide a wide array of diverse course offerings, academic programs, and support services; ensure that diverse perspectives and culturally-responsive practices are reflected in our curricula and learning environments; and advocate for racial and social justice for all.

**Integrity:** We demonstrate **INTEGRITY** in the development and delivery of all programs, services, and operations. As good stewards of public resources and trust, it is incumbent upon us to educate and engage our students, colleagues, and community with honesty, transparency, and accountability.

**Responsiveness:** We demonstrate **RESPONSIVENESS** to serve our students and the community. Through strong collaboration with educational partners, business and industry, community-based organizations, and civic agencies, we are able to effectively address the changing needs and dynamic environment in our service area.

## Accreditation Information

Los Medanos College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Institutions complete a self-evaluation process every seven years in order to have their accreditation status re-affirmed by ACCJC. The process includes internal and external evaluations of the College's performance, as defined by the ACCJC Standards for:

- Mission, Academic Quality and Institutional Effectiveness, and Integrity
- Student Learning Programs and Support Services
- Resources
- Leadership and Governance

Additional information about LMC's accreditation status and process is available online at: [www.losmedanos.edu/accreditation/](http://www.losmedanos.edu/accreditation/)

## Los Medanos College Foundation

Everyone, regardless of economic and ethnic background, should have the opportunity to obtain an excellent education. Since 1997, the Los Medanos College Foundation has supported students to pursue the education they need to achieve successful futures.

The Los Medanos College Foundation partners with corporations, foundations, individuals, and alumni to support students in need. Funds raised go to student scholarships, emergency funds, and college enhancement programs. The foundation's work is essential because so many of our