

Central Valley Cal-SOAP



Our mission is to educate, empower, and encourage students and their families to access all opportunities to higher education.

The California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) was established in 1978 by the state legislature to increase the awareness of postsecondary education and financial aid opportunities to K-12 students that are low-income, are first in their families to attend college, and in regions with low-eligibility or college participation rates.

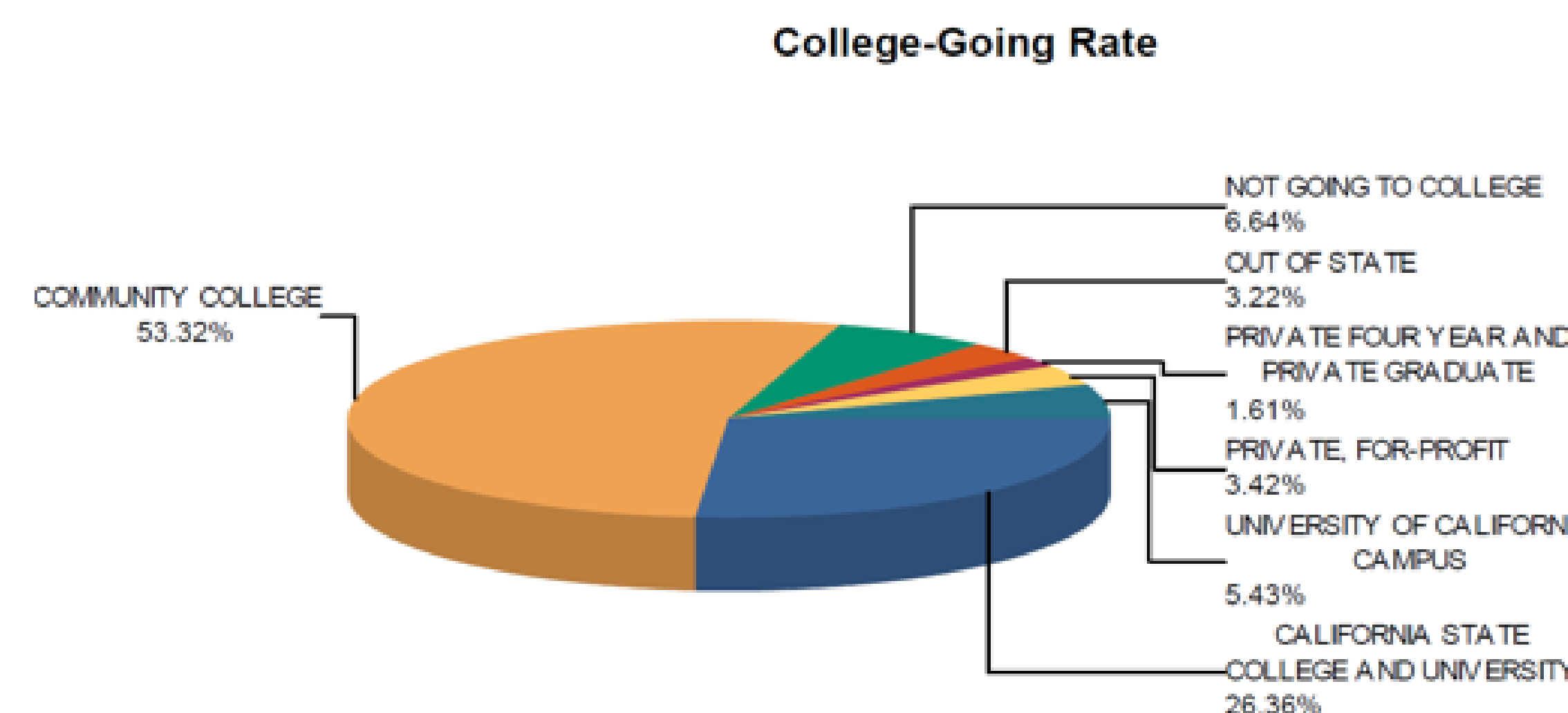
Cal-SOAP hires undergraduate and graduate students from local colleges and universities in the Central Valley to provide advising and tutoring services to middle school and high school students.

The following Central Valley Consortium partners provide a total contribution of \$948,600.55 of in-kind support to our program:

- Fresno State
- West Hills Community College
- Fresno City College
- UC Merced
- Fresno Pacific University
- Fresno County Office of Education
- Educational Talent Search
- Kerman Unified School District
- Golden Plains Unified School District
- Mendota Unified School District
- Firebaugh Las Deltas Unified School District

Cal-SOAP provides:

- College Awareness Workshops
- College Application Assistance
- Career Exploration
- One-on-one Peer Advising
- Classroom & After School Tutorials
- Financial Aid & Cash4College Workshops
- College Campus Visits
- College Making It Happen Workshops
- Summer Leadership Academy



College & Career Day



Cal-SOAP hosted a College & Career Day at Tranquillity High School with over 500 high school sophomores in attendance from Kerman, Tranquillity, Mendota, and Firebaugh High Schools. Approximately 48 vendors attended representing the different systems of higher education and career technical education sectors.

