AICCU President Kristen Soares' Statement on Gov. Gavin Newsom's Master Plan for Career Education

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Governor Newsom's Master Plan for Career Education is a forward-thinking framework that aims to strengthen pathways for more Californians to obtain the knowledge and skills needed to achieve fulfilling careers.

As the representative for independent, nonprofit institutions on the Governor's Council for Career Education, our sector understands that collaboration between the segments of higher education and employers is crucial to meet the evolving needs of students and families, especially at the regional level.

We look forward to continuing our work with the Newsom administration and the Legislature on the policies that will implement the governor's vision to create systems and structures that better serve students.

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