Welcome to California Colleges: Platform Exploration: Student Worksheet

Goal: You will complete guided exploration of the CaliforniaColleges.edu platform in order to become familiar with the tools and resources that are available.

Part I: Introduction – Bell Work

— Open the browser on your computer. This may be Google Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer, etc.
— In the address bar at the top of the page type in **CaliforniaColleges.edu**.
— Follow your counselor's or teacher's instructions to sign in to your account.

Part II: Activity

1. Navigate to **College** at the top of the page and hover over the text. You will see a menu. Select **College Search Tool**.

2. Type "Los Angeles" into the search bar and click **Search.** You can also use the left-hand filters to narrow your search results.

3. Scroll through the list. You can sort your list by clicking on the "Sort By" menu on the far right.

4. You will notice ♡ icons. As you use CaliforniaColleges.edu, you will see this icon when you search for colleges, careers, and majors. When you find one of these you like and want to save it, click on the ♡. It will change to ❤ and save to your **My Plan.** Try it with any one of the colleges from your search. You can delete a college from your **My Plan** by clicking on ❤ **,** and it will return to ♡.

5. Find out more about one of the colleges by clicking on the College Name. Now you are looking at the college factsheet. You will see that same heart at the top of the page: ♡ Add To College List.

6. Review all the tabs: Overview, Campus Community, Admission, Costs & Financial Aid, Degrees & Majors, Varsity Sports, Support Services.

7. Next, go to the top of the page and hover over **Career**, and then select **Career Search Tool**.

8. Type "teacher" into the first search bar and click **Search**. The **Career Search Tool** results list works just like the **College Search Tool** results list. Click on the name of a career to see the career factsheet.

9. Now, take a few minutes to navigate the platform on your own. See if you can find and use the **Major Search Tool**.

10. Finally, hover over **College** at the top of the page. Then, click on **Learn about College.** Take some time to read the page. Identify one new thing that you learned from reading this page.

Part III: Reflect

— Go to **My Plan** and then **My Journal**. In the **Academic Journal** section, find **prompt #07:**
  "What is the purpose of this platform? How can you use it to help you plan your future?"

— Respond to the prompt. Follow your teacher's instructions if they assign a different prompt.