

The California State University OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

Dear California State University Community:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I'd like to again invite and enthusiastically encourage you to participate in the search for the 9th chancellor of the California State University, the nation's largest, most diverse and most consequential four-year university system.

We want to hear from you! Three chancellor search open forum events will take place in early February. Your input is needed, valued and essential to this process. These forums will serve as an invaluable opportunity for you to have your voice heard, speaking directly to members of the committees that are guiding this comprehensive and inclusive recruitment.

Your feedback will have a direct impact on framing the essential professional and personal qualities required in the next leader of our 23-university system. In addition, you are encouraged to weigh in on the CSU priorities that are most important to you, such as inclusive excellence, workforce preparation, enrollment, educational equity or academic programming.

This recruitment will have a profound and far-reaching effect on the future of the CSU, the communities we serve, our state and the nation.

Indeed, our significance and impact <u>cannot</u> be overstated. The CSU:

- is the nation's largest public four-year university, serving nearly 460,000 students.
- is the world's greatest escalator to **opportunity**.
- educates the most ethnically, economically and academically diverse student body in the nation.
- is renowned for the quality of its learning experience and for preparing job-ready graduates.
- has conferred degrees on more than 4 million global alumni.
- awards nearly half of the state's bachelor's degrees.
- helps create **209,400 jobs** annually.

Through your participation in these events, you can impact this extraordinarily consequential process. **Your input matters.**

You don't have to be on campus to participate or listen in on the three open forums. Attendees from all over California have the option to Zoom in to provide their critical perspectives and input virtually (with advance registration), or simply watch the <u>livestream</u>.

Please join us:

South

The California State University, Office of the Chancellor February 7, 2023, noon – 2:00 p.m. Dumke Auditorium 401 Golden Shore Long Beach Register <u>here</u> for virtual public comment (*no registration required for in-person attendance or comment*)

Central

California State University, Bakersfield February 8, 2023, noon – 2:00 p.m. The Doré Theatre 9001 Stockdale Highway Bakersfield Register here for virtual public comment (*no registration required for in-person attendance or comment*)

North

San Francisco State University February 9, 2023, noon – 2:00 p.m. McKenna Theatre (Creative Arts Building) 1600 Holloway Avenue San Francisco Register here for virtual public comment (*no registration required for in-person attendance or comment*)

For additional information regarding in-person or virtual participation at the open forums, please visit the <u>Chancellor Search website</u>. You will also find detailed information about the search process, as well as opportunities to submit feedback, to complete a survey to help inform the recruitment and to nominate a candidate for chancellor.

Again, I invite and encourage you to participate in this critically important selection process that will impact generations of Californians and help set the course of our state's future.

Sincerely,

Wenda Fong

Wenda Fong Chair, CSU Board of Trustees Chair, Implementation Committee for the Selection of the Chancellor