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## **CCCApply Online Student Application Portal Achieves Million-Student Milestone**

For the first time in its history, more than one million students applied to a California community college in 2007 using CCCApply, the California Community Colleges (CCC) Web-based admissions portal.

El Camino College was one of the pilot colleges to use this service, joining a group of leaders from around the state to develop the program in June 2000. By late 2001, the program was in place at the pilot colleges, with about 7,000 students statewide using CCCApply. In 2007, more than 1 million students applied using CCCApply.

At El Camino College, approximately 75 percent of the student population uses the online application.

“We are glad students are realizing the value of CCCApply,” said Bill Mulrooney, director of admissions and records at El Camino College. “It is convenient to use because students can apply from anywhere in the world 24/7 – and students don’t have to stand in line.”

CCCApply was created in response to the need to develop a Web-based common application for the entire system, and in just seven short years, the number of students submitting applications through CCCApply has grown from 7,000 in the first year to more than one million in 2007. In that time, CCCApply has become the primary way new and returning students apply to a California Community College – it also offers information about community college campus locations, programs, financial aid, and student services.

A Spanish version of CCCApply, an electronic fee waiver application, and an application for international students is also available.

CCCApply can be found on the Web at <http://www.cccapply.org/>. For more information go to [www.elcamino.edu](http://www.elcamino.edu) and click on **MyECC**.

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