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VISION	<p>The College District's vision statement is:</p> <p><i>Galveston College – a beacon of light guiding life-long learning.</i></p>
MISSION	<p>The College District's mission statement is:</p> <p>Galveston College, an innovative public post-secondary institution dedicated to student success, teaching, and learning, creates accessible learning opportunities to fulfill individual and community needs by providing high-quality educational programs and services.</p>
VALUES	<p>The shared values listed below are among the beliefs that guide the College District in the development of its mission, goals, programs, and services. The values include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ACCESS – Providing an open door to learning while extending accessible educational opportunities to qualified students of all ages who can profit from instruction.• ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND STUDENT SUCCESS – Providing high-quality, learning-centered programs and services that focus on achieving student success and academic excellence while improving student learning outcomes.• INTEGRITY – Fostering a culture of trust, honesty, openness, and fairness, while upholding high ethical standards.• RESPECT – Fostering an environment that seeks to understand and value the importance and contributions of each individual.• DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION – Affirming and empowering members of the college community by celebrating diversity, inclusion, and cultural awareness.• INNOVATION – Creating and developing learning opportunities that support business and industry through innovative teaching-learning methods and strategies.• STEWARDSHIP – Ensuring fiscally sound business practices to provide the resources necessary to foster teaching and learning for today and tomorrow.
PURPOSE	<p>In accordance with Texas Education Code, Section 130.003, the College District shall provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. technical programs up to two years in length leading to associate degrees or certificates;

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2. occupational programs leading directly to employment in semi-skilled and skilled occupations;
3. freshman and sophomore courses in arts and sciences;
4. continuing adult education programs for occupational or cultural upgrading;
5. compensatory education programs designed to fulfill the commitment of an admissions policy allowing the enrollment of disadvantaged students;
6. a continuing program of counseling and guidance designed to assist students in achieving their individual educational goals;
7. workforce development programs designed to meet local and statewide needs;
8. adult literacy and other basic skills programs for adults; and,
9. such other purposes as may be prescribed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board or local governing boards in the best interest of postsecondary education in Texas.