



2019–21 Strategic Action Plan Priorities

Opportunity Gaps

Close opportunity gaps

- Remove barriers for underserved students.
- Support underrepresented students.

Regional Networks

Support regional leaders

- Address regional workforce shortages.
- Engage and support local communities.

Adult Learners

Reconnect adult learners

- Recruit and support adult learners.
- Target outreach and support to former students with credits.

Affordability

Improve affordability for more pathways

- Provide multiple pathways to a wider variety of careers.
- Address financial barriers associated with different pathways.

2019–21 Policy and Funding Recommendations

Address affordability

WSAC Proposals

- Fully fund and forecast State Need Grant
- Expand State Need Grant income-threshold
- Pilot a savings matching incentive program

Partner Proposals

- Ample funding for higher education institutions

Close opportunity gaps

WSAC Proposals

- Support College Bound Scholars
- Expand FAFSA training
- Expand the Teacher Shortage Conditional Grant program
- Support Passport to College expansion

Partner Proposals

- Family engagement and middle school counselors (OSPI)
- Target high-demand endorsement and expansion of alternative routes to certification (CWU & WWU)
- Bilingual teacher bonus (OSPI)
- Eagle Care Network and student success initiative (EWU)
- Mental health support (CWU)
- Student success and retention (TESC)
- Career-connected learning (WWU)
- Dual Credit (CCW, SBCTC)
- Game On! STEM Pipeline (CWU)

Support regional and workforce needs

WSAC Proposals

- Develop regional innovation grant
- Expand State Work Study

Partner Proposals

- High-demand programs
- Flight training (CWU)
- Civil engineering (EWU, UWT)
- Computer engineering (EWU)
- Electrical engineering (WWU)
- Medical education (WSU)
- Engineering, math, science (UW, WWU)
- Registered youth apprenticeships and career launch programs (CCW)

Reengage adults

WSAC Proposals

- Provide enrollment navigation
- Provide childcare assistance
- Provide campus technical assistance

Partner Proposals

- Outreach to adult learners (SBCTC)
- Guided Pathways for completion (SBCTC)
- Childcare subsidies (DCYF)
- Career Bridge upgrades (WTB)

Glossary of Partners

CCW = Career Connect Washington

CWU = Central Washington University

DCYF = Department of Children, Youth, and Families

EWU = Eastern Washington University

OSPI = Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

SBCTC = State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

TESC = The Evergreen State College

UW = University of Washington

UWT= University of Washington - Tacoma

WSU = Washington State University

WTB = Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board

WWU = Western Washington University