



2017-19 Strategic Action Plan Priorities

Meeting Washington's Educational Attainment Goals

Reaching the state's educational attainment goals will require implementing high-impact policies. In addition to system-wide policy recommendations and investment priorities, the Council has identified five priority strategies. The priority strategies will address opportunity gaps, improve college readiness, and increase college completion.

Washington Student Achievement Council 2017-19 Priorities	FY Cost (millions)		
	2018	2019	Total
<p>Fully fund the State Need Grant program to support all eligible students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Anticipated outcomes:</i> Increased college persistence rates and attainment rates. Reduced student debt levels. <p>Funding to serve all 24,000 unserved students.</p> <p>Adjusts award amounts for assumed tuition growth and restores funding required to maintain the 2015-17 service level.</p>	\$99	\$101	\$200
	\$11	\$18	\$29
<p>Increase access to dual-credit programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Anticipated outcomes:</i> Improved high school completion rates and college enrollment rates. Increased overall participation in dual-credit programs and increased participation among low-income and underrepresented students. <p>Give districts funding to cover exam fees for 25,000 FRPL-eligible* students in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Cambridge International programs.</p> <p>Subsidize transportation and book costs for 8,600 FRPL-eligible students enrolled in Running Start.</p> <p>Fully implement the current College in the High School policy to serve all eligible students enrolled in small schools, those distant from a college with a Running Start program, and FRPL-eligible students.</p>	\$3.1	\$3.4	\$6.5
	\$12.9	\$13.7	\$26.6
	\$2.6	\$1.7	\$4.3
<p>Expand work-based learning through State Work Study. Increase program funding by \$5 million to serve an additional 3,000 students, and incentivize colleges to create mentoring partnerships with K-12.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Anticipated outcomes:</i> Lower student debt levels at graduation and better employment outcomes. 	\$5	\$5	\$10
<p>Provide opportunity gap innovation grants to incentivize creative partnerships to support services for underrepresented secondary and postsecondary students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Anticipated outcomes:</i> Fostering of creative and diverse student support programs to address opportunity gaps among underrepresented students. 	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$3
<p>Create a plan to recruit and retain adult students. Collaborate with partners and focus on adults who have some college credit but no credential.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Anticipated outcomes:</i> A plan to increase college participation, retention, and completion rates for adult students. 	N/A	TBD	TBD

*FRPL = free and reduced price lunch