ADDRESS AFFORDABILITY

Offer multiple pathways that students can access regardless of financial means.

WSAC Recommendation	Request	Governor's Budget Proposal	Funding	House Budget Proposal and HB 2158	Funding
Fully fund and forecast the State Need Grant	\$161.0 M	WA College Promise Scholarship* (State Need Grant	\$103.3 M	Maintain the State Need Grant*	\$25.1 M
program.		rebranded)		Fully fund the WA College Grant (SNG rebranded)*	\$152.9 M
				TOTAL	\$178 M
Expand the State Need Grant income threshold for eligibility.	\$95.0 M			Expand the State Need Grant income threshold for eligibility to 100% MFI*	\$65.8 M
Pilot a savings matching incentive program.	\$1.0 M				
Amply fund public institutions, support high-quality pathways.		Compensation and central services costs at public	\$64.3 M	Compensation and central services supports	\$45.1 M
		institutions		Nurse educator salaries at CTCs	\$41 M
				Other high-demand faculty salaries at CTCs	\$20 M
Fund College Bound Scholarships for all eligible		College Bound including caseload adjustment*	\$60.8 M	College Bound including caseload adjustment*	\$52.2 M
students.		State match to Washington State Opportunity Scholarship (WSOS)*	\$12.0 M	State match to Washington State Opportunity Scholarship (WSOS)*	\$12.0 M
		College Bound WSOS adjustment*	\$2.1 M	College Bound WSOS adjustment*	\$2.1 M
	•	National Guard Grant*	\$3.0 M		
				Washington Student Loan Program*	\$10.0 M

CLOSE OPPORTUNITY GAPS

Confront barriers with support for students who are underrepresented in educational success.

WSAC Recommendation	Request	Governor's Budget Proposal	Funding	House Budget Proposal and HB 2158	Funding
Support College Bound Scholars with digital communication tools.	\$0.8 M	FAFSA completion and digital tools*	\$1.2 M	FAFSA completion support*	\$1.2 M
Expand FAFSA and WASFA training and outreach.	\$0.4 M	See above	See above	See above	See above
Expand the Teacher Shortage Conditional Grant program.	\$2.0 M	Teacher Shortage Conditional Grant* Educator Career Pathways (Professional Educator Standards Board)	\$3.6 M \$1.0 M	Conditional scholarship awards for current and future educators* Educator workforce collaborative, regional recruiters pilot program, ESD Alt Route (PESB)	\$3.3 M \$0.9 M
Fund the Passport to College expansion.	\$3.9 M				
Increase the number of school counselors.		Student support staffing in elementary and middle schools	\$154.8 M		
Improve dual credit opportunities for low-income students, ensuring equitable access.		Dual credit fees for low-income students in College in the High School (CiHS) and Career and Technical Education (CTE) ¹	\$3.2 M	Dual enrollment scholarship program*	\$1.6 M
Expand student supports on college campuses.		Program enhancements and student support services	\$50.0 M	Student support programs at four-year institutions	\$4.3 M
		Begin phasing in targeted and enhanced special education funding, proposed by Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction	\$94.0 M	Special education and institutional education programs	\$71.9 M

¹ Also included in the Governor's Career Connected Learning proposal.

SUPPORT REGIONAL LEADERS

Address regional workforce shortages and support efforts to accelerate attainment.

WSAC Recommendation	Request	Governor's Budget Proposal	Funding	House Budget Proposal and HB 2158	Funding
Develop regional innovation grant.	\$10.0 M	Regional connected learning networks	\$32.7 M		
Expand career-connected learning opportunities.		Career Connect WA (CCW) student support	\$30.3 M	Career Connected Learning grant program (ESD)	\$10.4 M
		CCW statewide system and coordination	\$12.1 M	Career Launch programs (SBCTC and OSPI)	\$6 M
		Career-connected learning (included in CCW)*	\$3.7 M		
Expand State Work Study.	\$10.0 M	State Work Study career launch participation (included in CCW)*	\$2.4 M		
Build a talent pipeline to meet regional workforce		Behavioral Health Professional Conditional	\$2.0 M	Increase engineering degree production at UW	\$8.0 M
shortages.		Scholarship*		Establish BS programs in Mechanical and Civil	\$1.8 M
		Expand SBCTC's ² WA Job Skills program	\$12.0 M	Engineering at UW-T	
		Apprenticeship programs	\$3.9 M	Increase engineering/science enrollment at UW-B	\$1.5 M
		Five more psychiatry residency positions at University of	\$2.0 M	Increase STEM degree production at WWU	\$3.4 M
		Washington		Increase psychology enrollment at TESC	\$0.7 M
				Increase K-12 teacher production at CWU	\$1.9 M
				Create Computer Science degree program at EWU	\$2.6 M
		Harborview Medical Center, UW Medical Center, and UW Dental School	\$12.0 M	Harborview Medical Center, UW Medical Center, and UW Dental School	\$12.0 M
		Washington State University medical school	\$10.8 M	Washington State University medical school	\$10.8 M

² State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

REENGAGE ADULT LEARNERS

Build a framework to help adults complete postsecondary credentials.

WSAC Recommendation	Request	Governor's Budget Proposal	Funding	House Budget Proposal and HB 2158	Funding
Provide enrollment navigation.	\$1.0 M				
Provide childcare assistance.	\$6.0 M			Working Connections Child Care: Removes work requirement for full-time students who are single parents	\$1.4 M \$4.2 M
Provide technical assistance to campuses.	\$1.0 M				
Use Guided Pathways to ensure efficient completion.		Guided Pathways	\$8.0 M	Guided Pathways	\$55 M
Target outreach to working-age adults.					