

# Dual Credit

House Higher Education Committee

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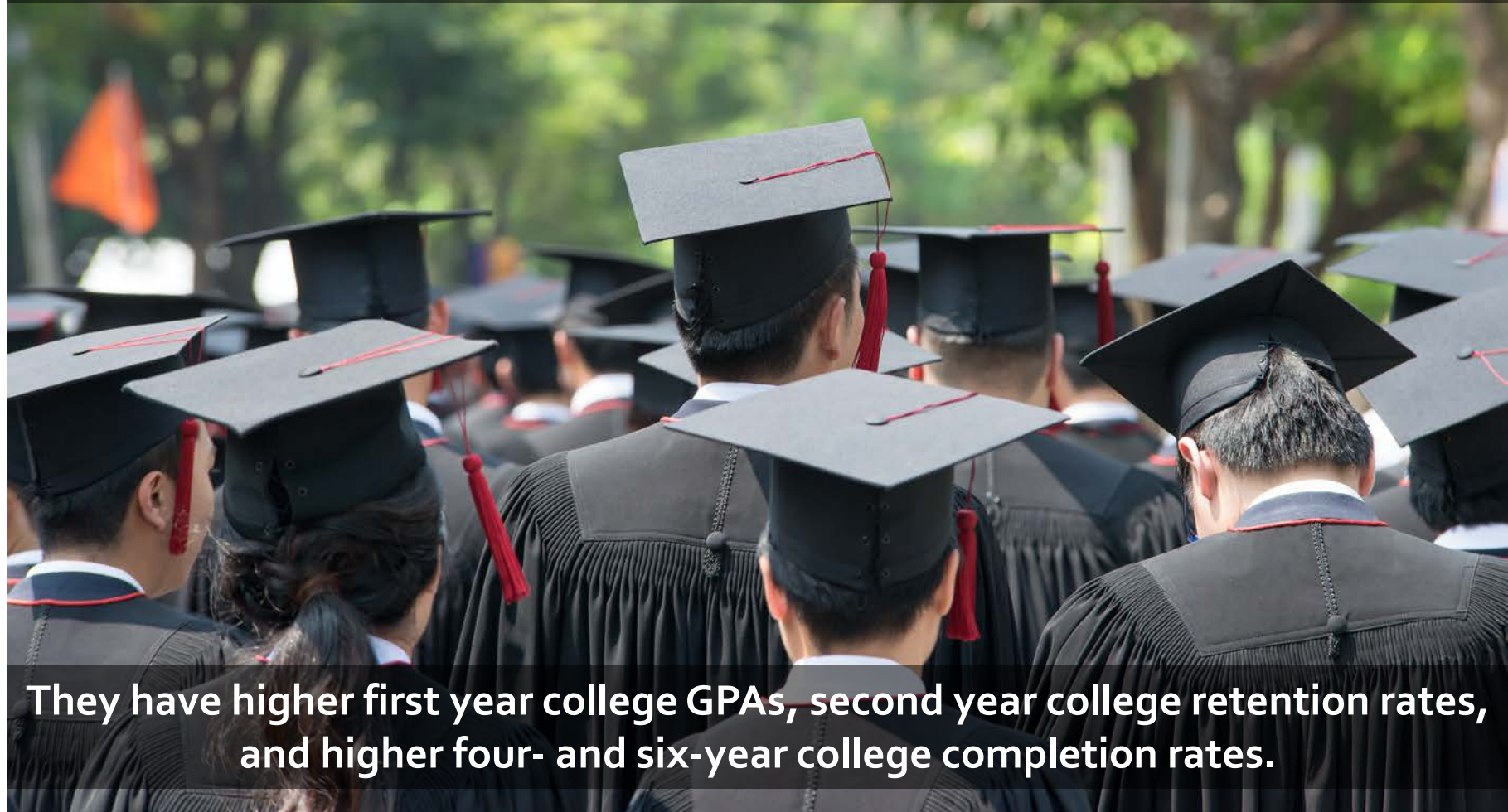
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## Definition and Benefits

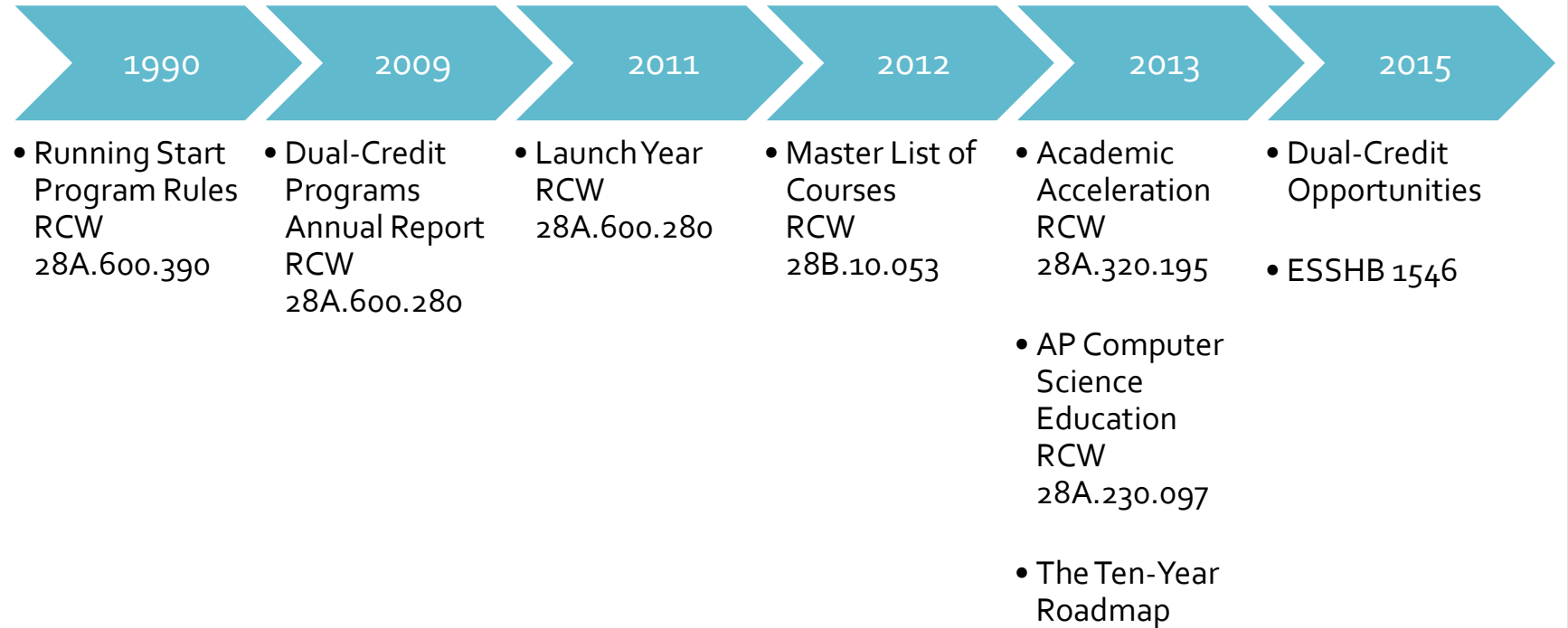
Dual-credit programs offer high school students the opportunity to earn college credit at high schools, on college campuses, or online.

**Dual-credit students are more likely to meet college readiness benchmarks, enter college—and enter shortly after high school graduation—and they are less likely to place into remedial English or math.**

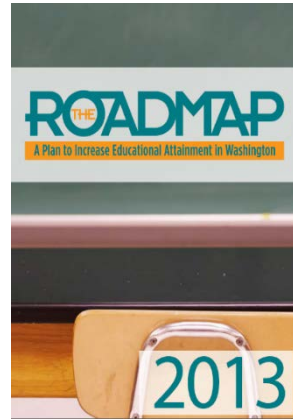


**They have higher first year college GPAs, second year college retention rates, and higher four- and six-year college completion rates.**

# Legislation



# Roadmap and Strategic Action Plan



## Educational attainment goals for 2023:

- All WA adults ages 25-44 will have a high school diploma or equivalent.
- At least 70% of WA adults ages 25-44 will have a postsecondary credential.

## Identified near-term priority to expand dual-credit opportunities.

# Strategies to Address Barriers

## **Improve Program Access and Availability:**

Geography, faculty availability, student demand, age/grade restrictions, technology (both hardware and internet access).

## **Provide Clear information:**

Consistent student advising, transparent credit policies at postsecondary institutions.

## **Reduce Student Costs:**

Tuition, test fees, transportation, books.

# Current Work

## Workshops for Dual-Credit Practitioners

WSAC partnering with OSPI, SBCTC and others to provide professional development.

## Dual-Credit Search Tool

WSAC created a tool which allows students to see how many credits public baccalaureates will award for specific AP exams and scores.

## CTC and BI System Alignment Work

Colleges and universities working within their sectors to develop more consistent and transparent award of credit for AP and IB courses.


## Quality Assurance

WSAC collaborating with OSPI, SBCTC, COP, AWSP to develop rules for College in the High School.

## Dual-Credit Progress Report

WSAC will provide a report on dual-credit access and affordability to the Legislature in September of 2016, per 2015 legislation.

# National Trends



National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships  
Education Commission of the States



# Continue the conversation.

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