

Title	Southeast King County Higher Education Needs Assessment
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Synopsis	<p>For fiscal year 2017, the Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) received funding from the Legislature to complete a higher education needs assessment for southeast King County and to prepare a program and operating plan to meet the higher education needs identified in the assessment. The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) will serve as the agency contractor.</p> <p>This work has been conducted in consultation with an advisory committee organized and convened by WSAC. In addition, WICHE has subcontracted with the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) to conduct portions of the assessment and assist with the development of the operating plan. Christina Sedney, of WICHE, and Dennis Jones, of NCHEMS, will provide the Council with an overview of the preliminary report, which outlines the demand identified in the region and options to meet that demand. The final report and recommendations will be submitted to Council staff in December.</p>
Guiding questions	What are the higher education needs in this area, considering all relevant factors, including the effect of trends in population changes, higher education participation rates, economic demand and work force needs, and commute times for study-area residents to existing higher education institutions?
Possible council action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information/Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Adopt <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Documents and attachments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brief/Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint <input type="checkbox"/> Third-party materials <input type="checkbox"/> Other

