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Synopsis	<p>At the November meeting the Council provided feedback on outreach materials related to the Strategic Action Plan. Draft materials will be reviewed.</p> <p>The next Results Washington Governor’s Review is January 25. Rachelle will discuss feedback received from the Goal One committee in November and whether a review of the production of credentials related to the attainment goals would be timed well with the Roadmap Update in 2017.</p> <p>The process for Council updates and engagement during the 2017 Legislative session will be discussed briefly.</p>
Guiding questions	Are the advocacy materials, engagement with Results Washington, and legislative communications complementary of the Council mission?
Possible council action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information/Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Adopt <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Documents and attachments	<input type="checkbox"/> Brief/Report <input type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint <input type="checkbox"/> Third-party materials <input type="checkbox"/> Other

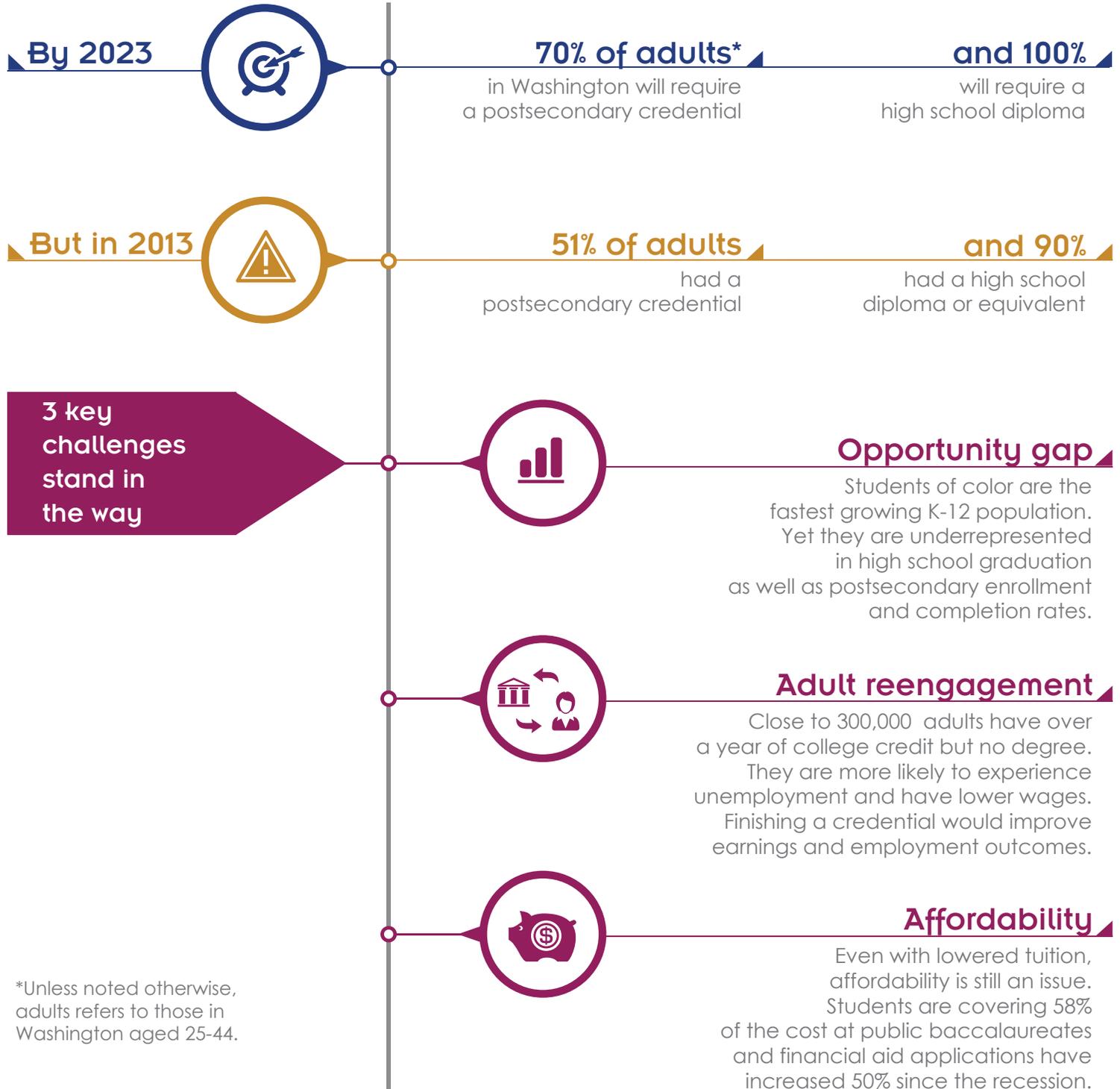


Educational Attainment in Washington State

Recent gains fall short of meeting projected workforce demands

Meeting the challenge

Washington State faces broad, persistent, and systemic challenges to increasing educational attainment. The state's response must be equally substantial. A focus on any one part of the education pipeline will not be enough.



*Unless noted otherwise, adults refers to those in Washington aged 25-44.



Fully Fund State Need Grant

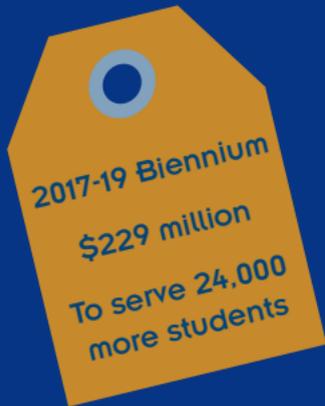
Increase access, participation, and completion in higher education

Nearly 24,000 eligible students go unserved every year.

“ Financial stress definitely played a role in **lower grades, fatigue, and inability to engage in classes fully**. The stress and pressure from not having financial aid **hurts families as well as students** because of emotional stress and discord brought by financial stress. ”

“ I have two children to provide for...I am having to put more hours in at my job...pushing my homework into the late hours...I am fitting it all in by taking less classes (which has **pushed my graduation date back at least a year**) and working later hours at work. ”

—UNSERVED STUDENTS



RECOMMENDATION

**Fully fund State Need Grant
to support all eligible students.**

- ✓ Increase college college persistence and attainment.
- ✓ Reduce student debt.

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A Plan to Increase Educational Attainment in Washington

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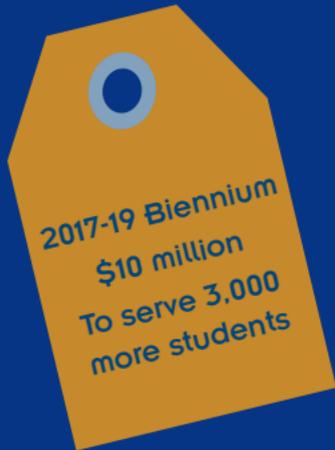


Expand State Work Study

Partner with employers to provide work experience and financial aid

94% of SWS students
say they learned skills
that will transfer to
their careers.

95% of employers
say SWS students
increased their
organization's
productivity.



RECOMMENDATION

Expand work-based learning through State Work Study.

- ✓ Reduce need for loans.
- ✓ Improve employment outcomes for students.

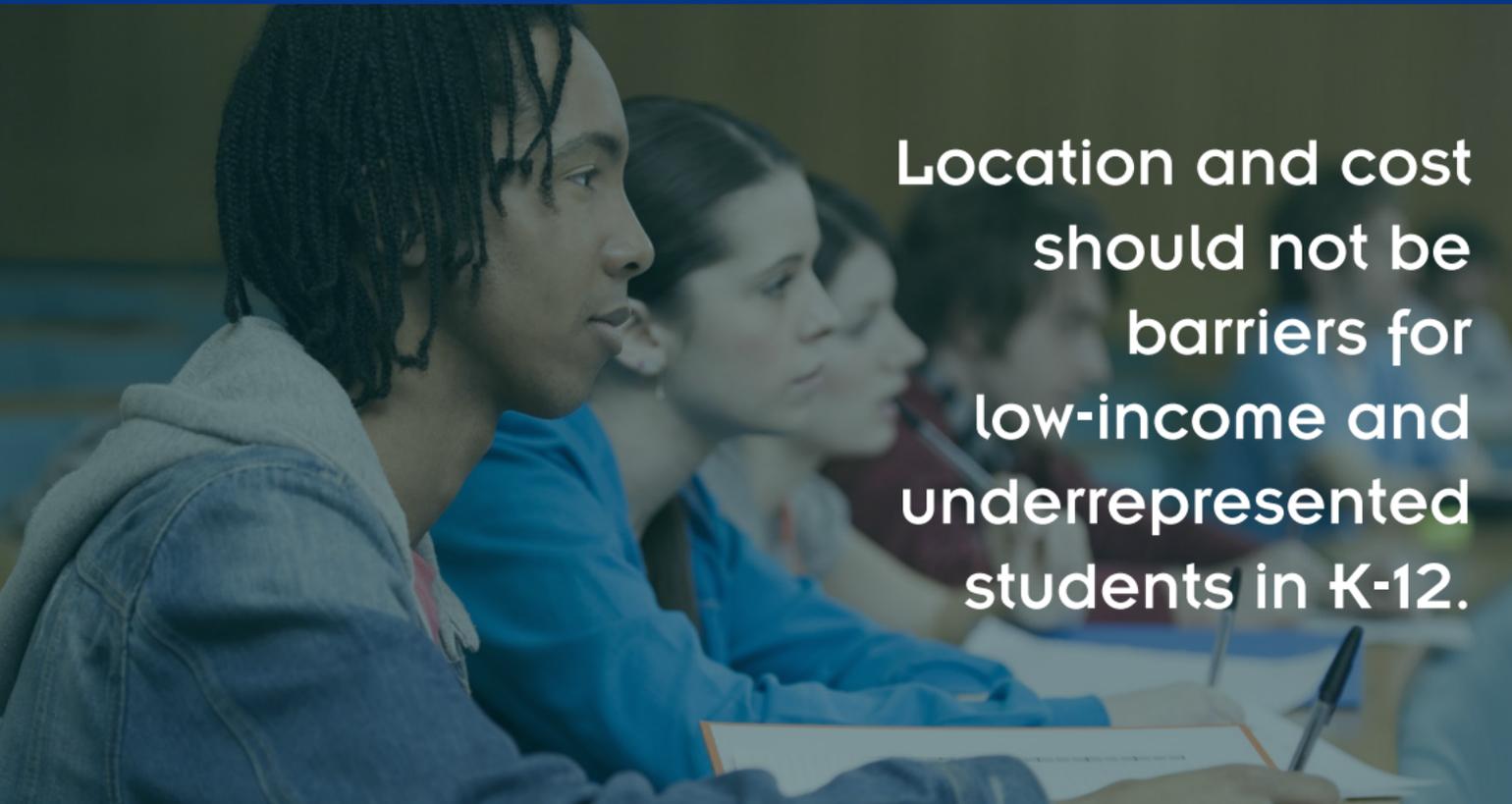
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Expand Access to Dual Credit

Equitable access to rigorous courses will help close opportunity gaps

**Location and cost
should not be
barriers for
low-income and
underrepresented
students in K-12.**





RECOMMENDATION

Fund College in the High School and help low-income students with exam fees, transportation, and books.

- ✓ Increase high school completion and college enrollment.
- ✓ Increase in low-income and underrepresented students taking rigorous courses.

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