

2023 Legislative Priorities

Community Colleges for Iowa represents Iowa's 15 Community Colleges in advocacy on behalf of our students and communities. Together, we strive to advocate with *one voice for accessible excellence in higher education.*

THANK YOU

We appreciate your investment in Iowa's Community Colleges, which allows us to continue providing access to affordable and high-quality education in all 99 Iowa counties.

257,971

**students served
in 99 counties &**

**83% of our
graduates stay
in Iowa**

1 INVEST IN STUDENT SUCCESS

Increase State General Aid \$8.75 million to help keep up with rising costs and maintain quality and affordability.

Funding programs that keep tuition affordable like the Last Dollar Scholarship and the Gap Tuition Assistance Program.

Flexibility and specific funding to assist students in a variety of programs with other needs such as books, materials, housing, food, and childcare that many need to successfully complete.



ADDRESS WORKFORCE NEEDS

Increase funding and improve dedicated workforce training programs to keep up with demand from businesses.

Support Iowa's highly successful concurrent enrollment systems through changes that support Career and Technical Education programs.

Expand College and Career Transition Initiative statewide.

Encourage and support partnerships with four-year institutions for transfer pipelines that serve parts of the state lacking in higher education options.

We served over **136,000** employees in 2021 through the Iowa Skilled Worker and Job Creation programs

More Community College data at:

www.iowastudentoutcomes.com

www.ccforiowa.org



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DID YOU KNOW?

Concurrent enrollment high school students are more likely to graduate from college and **90.5%** of our graduates are employed within 1 year

ENSURE EFFICIENCY & EFFECTIVENESS

Maintain strong local decision-making to connect programs to local community needs.

Change and eliminate policies that create unnecessary regulatory burdens to enhance operational efficiency.

Support to continue to build use of outcomes and other statewide data to impact policy and practice.

