

August Meeting 8/19/21





- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call of Cabinet Members
- III. Approval of Minutes from February 18, 2021 Cabinet Meeting
- **IV.** Opening Address
- IV. DWD: Connecting Workforce to Opportunities
- V. CHE: Connecting Postsecondary to Opportunities
- VI. GWC: Connecting CTE to Opportunities
- VII. DOE: Connecting K-12 to Opportunities
- VIII. Measurements of Success
- IX. State Plan Interim Progress
- X. Adjournment

Connecting Hoosiers to Resources

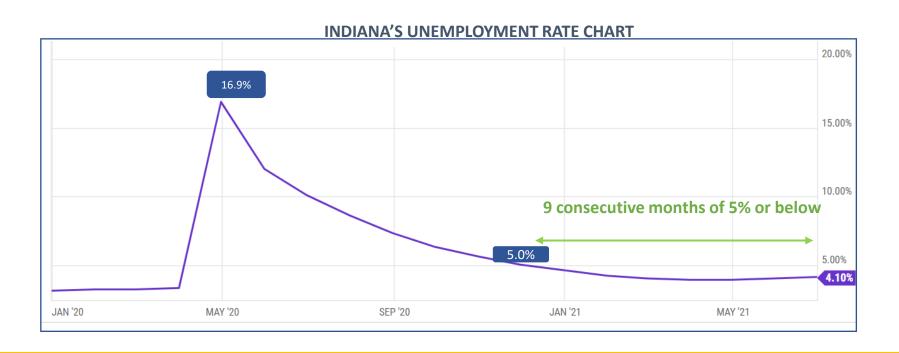
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<u>DWD</u>

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development connects people and employers through engagement with continued transparency and accountability, while celebrating, valuing and prioritizing equity, inclusion and diversity.

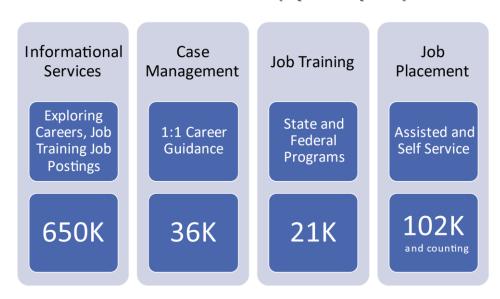
STRATEGIC GOALS

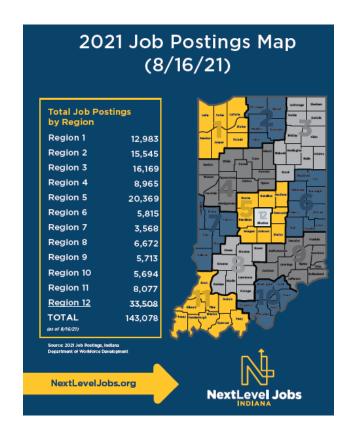
- 1. Completely transition UI from pandemic operations & close out federal programs
- 2. Move from program focus to people focus
- 3. Ensure that data driven tools and approach are imbedded in all workforce initiatives



Indiana moving to full employment & workforce initiatives will continue to strengthen economy

Service to Hoosiers (1 year Snapshot)





Connecting Hoosiers & Employers

Career Information Center

Applied Data Workforce System

Online system that any Hoosier can readily access to inform them, in a meaningful and accurate way, of the most efficient path to achieving the workforce outcomes they desire.

Info/Knowledge

- Use of Uplink (UI)
- · Labor market data
- Credential analytics (path/time to achievement, job prospects, wage/salary info)
- Available jobs
- Jobs outlook/forecast
- Wage data
- Career pathway, (ADWS)

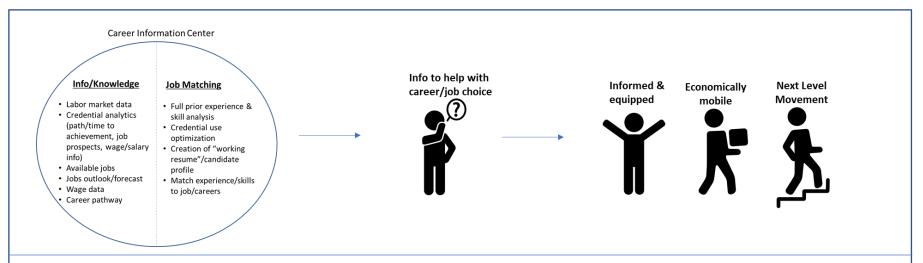
Job Matching

- Full prior experience & skill analysis
- Credential use optimization
- Creation of "working resume"/candidate profile
- Match experience/skills to job/careers
 (HTN)

Hoosier Talent Network

Use of AI to provide relevant job recommendations based upon skills, capabilities and experiences that individuals already have & empowers them to understand their skills and potential.

Connecting Hoosiers & Employers



Person

- Stronger skills
- More knowledgeable about job/career prospects
- Matched more closely to personal career/skill attributes
- Higher probability of growth potential within career field

BENEFITS

Employer

- Better matched employee for job
- Ability to identify stronger candidates
- Better retention

State Economy

- Stronger workforce
- More aware/knowledgeable workforce
- More stable workforce

Worker Availability (example from interactive dashboard)



Connecting Hoosiers & Employers

Career Information Center

Where are we/Where are we headed

Info/Knowledge

Job Matching

AWDS Progress & Short Term Direction

- 1. Strategic use of UI Uplink system
- 2. Directed communication to UI claimants re: job training and jobs
- 3. More focused outreach to individuals based on education level
- 4. Evaluation of the use of DOE & CHE data
- 5. Developing algorithm to map out user's journey

HTN Progress & Short Term Direction

- 1. Employee portal: launched job seeker platform (52,678 individuals have engaged on platform)
- 2. Employer portal: Launched employer portal. Target 2000 employers
- 3. Utilize AWDS to identify unemployed Hoosiers and have direct outreach



QUESTIONS

Connecting Postsecondary to Opportunities

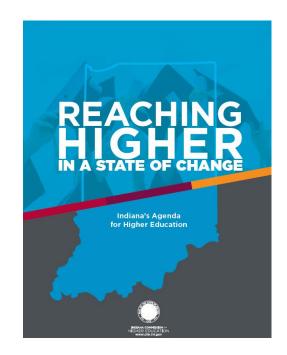
Teresa Lubbers, Indiana Commissioner for Higher Education

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INDIANA'S FOURTH STRATEGIC PLAN

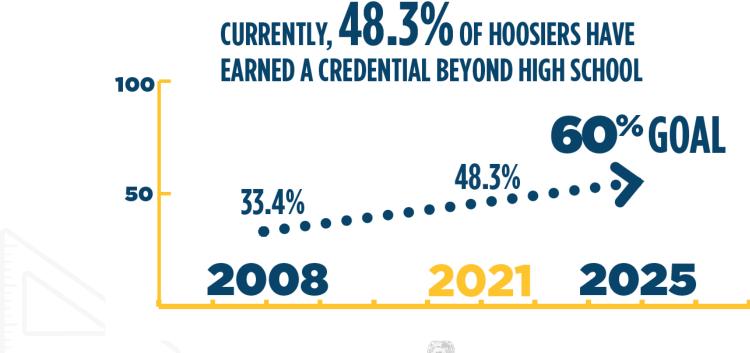
Big Goal: At least 60 percent of Hoosiers have education and training beyond a high school diploma by 2025

- ▶ 60% goal is directly aligned to future workforce needs
- Reaching Higher in a State of Change is our blueprint
- New and growing pressures are emerging
- Indiana's higher education system must respond and adapt to meet the needs of Hoosiers, employers and our expanding and diversifying economy





EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT GOAL





KEY METRICS

- Educational Attainment
 - At least 60% of Hoosiers having a quality credential beyond a high school diploma
- Career Relevance and Preparation
 - 100% of postsecondary programs requiring career relevance
- Economic Impact
 - Indiana being above the average of peer states for median household income

C Career Relevance & Preparation

 Progress toward 100 percent of postsecondary programs requiring an internship, work-based learning, research project or other student engagement experience that has career relevance.

Respondents in the **2019 Strada-Gallup Education Consumer Survey** were asked to rate the value of their coursework in order to draw connections between career relevance and value.



For Indiana, those who saw job relevance in their coursework were more likely to agree in the value of the cost of their degree (82% agreed or strongly agreed) and agree that their degree helped their career (90% agreed or strongly agreed). This tracks along national trends (82% and 94%, respectively).



CHALLENGES

- College-going enrollment decline: 6% decline over five years
- Skepticism about the value of higher education
- Need for affordability and diverse financial models
- Skilled workforce availability to fill the jobs of today and tomorrow
- Closing equity gaps: Need adult learners, students of color, low-income students and rural students to attain a quality credential to help us reach our big goal



FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

- Indiana is first in the Midwest and fourth in the nation in providing financial aid
- ▶ 21st Century Scholars 88% of 21st Century Scholars went to college in 2019; Statewide college-going rate: 59%
- Workforce Ready Grant Thousands of Hoosiers have enrolled and completed a Workforce Ready Grant-eligible program since 2017
- ▶ You Can. Go Back. Launched in 2016 to help Hoosier adults with some college but no degree finish what they started; provides up to \$2,000 grants for qualifying students



ALIGNMENT FROM K-12 TO WORKFORCE

- Dual Credit and Indiana College Core: Increase accessibility for students to earn college credit in high school
- Strengthen teacher pipeline: Focus on teacher diversity and credentialing
- ► FAFSA Completion: Encourage all students to complete the FAFSA
- Workforce Ready Grant: Emphasize the importance of short-term credentials as stackable opportunities
- Cross-sector data dashboard: Will measure the "health" of Indiana's talent pipeline





INDIANA COMMISSION for HIGHER EDUCATION



Connecting Career and Technical Education to Opportunities





Employer Connector Tool

What is the Employer Connector Tool?

- An online tool for employers to be able to identify Career and Technical Education students that have opted into having their contact information shared with employers
- Enabled by legislation authored by now Speaker Huston in 2019
- Collaborative effort by GWC, DOE, and MPH



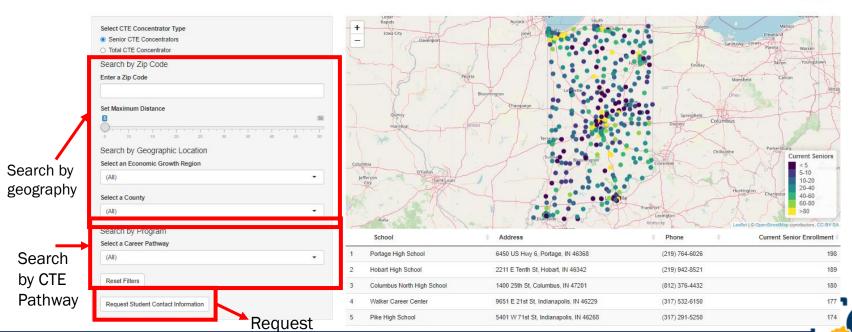


Indiana

Employer Connector Tool

Career and Technical Education Employer Connect







CTE Redesign Process

Why redesign secondary CTE?

- Secondary CTE and Postsecondary CTE were not aligned
- Delivery models across CTE Districts and comprehensive high schools were inconsistent
- Variability in student learning and outcomes needed to be addressed with CTE Concentrator as a Graduation Pathway
- Some secondary course standards had not been updated in nearly 10 years
- Better aligned content for easier student transitions to postsecondary education and/or employment



CTE Redesign Process

Engagement throughout:

- Curriculum committees consisting of secondary and postsecondary instructors to outline course alignment
- Working group consisting of CTE Directors, principals, and postsecondary faculty to discuss delivery model
- Secondary course skills/competencies directly aligned to postsecondary course content
- Steering committee consisting of secondary and postsecondary faculty to translate skills/competencies into K-12 standards
- Webinars and trainings held for superintendents, principals, counselors, and instructors throughout the past 2 years.





CTE Redesign Process

Next Steps:

- Continued trainings and resources regarding the transition to new courses
- Building off required employer panels that already exist, we are working to develop a process for broader employer engagement and validation of skills and competencies within our secondary and postsecondary courses.
- Collaborative effort between GWC, Indiana Chamber of Commerce, TechPoint, Conexus, and Ascend.



Local Needs Assessment



Regional Collaboration Meeting

Sept - Oct



Program of Study Size, Scope and Quality

Sept - Oct



Student Performance

Oct - Dec



Equity Lab

Oct - Dec



Recruitment, Retention and Training Survey

Oct - Dec





GWC Dashboard

Purpose: Highlight key data points across the Pre-K through Career continuum that are critical to an individual's success throughout their learning and career journey.

Activities:

- Surveys to community leaders throughout the state to identify metrics included in strategic plans being utilized within local communities across the state.
- Education and Workforce Data team collaboration to ensure alignment across state agencies.

GWC Meeting - K-12 Education

August 19, 2021



TODAY'S FOCUS

- Early 2021
- Future-Focused K-12 Education
- Strategic Priorities + Tactical Examples



Early 2021



FIRST SEVEN MONTHS...

- Undertook extensive listening effort with numerous stakeholder groups.
- Built and developed internal leadership team.
- Analyzed data on student achievement, educator pipeline, and more.
- Developed pillars, strategic priorities and tactical solutions.



Future-Focused K-12 Education



FUTURE-FOCUSED K-12 EDUCATION: THREE PILLARS







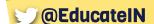
STUDENTLEARNING & OPPORTUNITY

EDUCATORTALENT, QUALITY, & VALUE

SYSTEMALIGNMENT & CAPACITY



Strategic Priorities + Tactical Examples



PILLAR 1: STUDENT LEARNING & OPPORTUNITY

Quality, Purposeful Educational Opportunities for Each Student

- Expand and support quality, affordable and accessible learning opportunities, including early learning options
- Strengthen the capacity to deliver the **educational fundamentals** to every child by grade 10 (age 16)
- Help schools and communities strengthen, expand & create effective post-K-12 pathways & linkages
- Expand access to, training for and use of **technology options** that support expanded contexts for learning
- Create capacity and flexibility to drive effective **learning-focused innovation** in all aspects of K-12 education
- Re-envision how educational progress is measured and tailored to individual students
- Strengthen systems to provide improved information regarding K-12 educational programs and results



PILLAR 1: TACTICAL EXAMPLES

Quality, Purposeful Educational Opportunities for Each Student

- Strategic Priority: Strengthen the capacity to deliver the educational fundamentals to every child by grade 10 (age 16)
 - Tactical Example(s): Literacy Plan; STEM Plan
- Strategic Priority: Help schools and communities strengthen, expand & create effective post-K-12 pathways & linkages
 - **Tactical Example(s):** Crossing the Finish Line Initiative; Regional Pathway Innovation Fund
- Strategic Priority: Re-envision how educational progress is measured and tailored to individual students
 - **Tactical Example(s):** Framework & Data Dashboard showing longitudinal student outcomes



PILLAR 2: EDUCATOR TALENT, QUALITY, & VALUE

Elevating and Supporting Indiana's Educators

- **Elevate the mission and value** of Indiana's K-12 educators
- **Recruit more of Indiana's best and brightest** to serve in the classroom and in leadership roles, including racially and ethnically diverse candidates and candidates for high-need subject areas
- Work with educators to improve access to effective professional and leadership development
- Improve guidance, support, and accessible data, for those recruiting, educating and mentoring rising educators
- Create networks & other capacity for sharing **information**, **practices and ideas** with/among educators



PILLAR 2: TACTICAL EXAMPLES

Elevating and Supporting Indiana's Educators

- Strategic Priority: Recruit more of Indiana's best and brightest to serve in the classroom and in leadership roles, including racially and ethnically diverse candidates and candidates for high-need subject areas
 - Tactical Example(s): "Grow Your Own" opportunities
- Strategic Priority: Improve guidance, support, and accessible data, for those recruiting, educating and mentoring rising educators
 - Tactical Example(s): Real-time supply and demand marketplace for educator pipeline



PILLAR 3: SYSTEM-ALIGNMENT & CAPACITY

Aligned, Effective and Efficient Support

- Reduce **unnecessary state laws/regulations** and their costs, bureaucracy and barriers
- Align available state data and fiscal resources to the student and the student's learning

Partnerships and Aligned Support

- Increase IDOE support for school and community capacity-building to improve results
- Assist local educators in solution-finding for real-time issues (e.g., hybrid learning, transitions to post-K-12 activity)
- Partner with lawmakers and other stakeholders to ensure the IDOE strategic vision is supported and implemented



PILLAR 3: TACTICAL EXAMPLES

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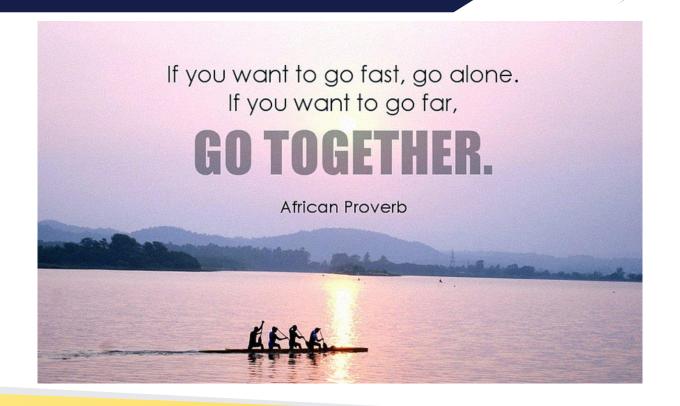
- Strategic Priority: Align available state data and fiscal resources to the student and the student's learning
 - Tactical Example(s): Data modernization; Return On Investment (ROI) model

Partnerships and Aligned Support

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 - Tactical Example(s): Office of School Efficiency; Strategic Planning Consortium



TOGETHER, LET'S MAKE AN IMPACT FOR STUDENTS!









Shared Outcomes Across GWC Agencies:

- 1. Student Engagement and Career Relevance
- 2. Educational Attainment
- 3. Economic Impact





- 1. Student Engagement and Career Relevance
- High school students earning a postsecondary credential related to their postsecondary pathway.
- All postsecondary programs including a career relevant experience
- Doubling the number of employers leveraging ongoing education and training for incumbent workers





- 2. Educational Attainment
- 60% postsecondary attainment goal
- Includes: a quality credential beyond a high school diploma – industry recognized certification through traditional postsecondary degree and beyond





3. Economic Impact: By 2025, Indiana will be above the average rate of peer states for median household income, adjusted for cost of living.





Approximately 1 year since our state plan approval from the federal government. We will need to adjust some aspects this spring.

Overarching strategies within the plan:

- 1. Focus on meeting the needs of individual Hoosiers
- 2. Integrate state systems to facilitate greater access
- 3. Align programs to create a healthy, engaged, and talented citizen
- 4. Maximize resources for impact-driven programs
- 5. Foster impactful relationships between businesses, community partners, and government agencies





- 1. Focus on meeting the needs of individual Hoosiers
- Strategy 1.1 Develop career pathways that have multiple points of entry mapping towards a trajectory for career advancement and sustainability.
 - Redesigned 53/71 programs to date
 - Remaining programs will be redesigned by October
- Strategy 1.4 Scale Career Coaching and Navigation
 - Build out of YourNextStepIN
 - Development of comprehensive career coaching training leveraging Governor's Coaching Corps and Skillful Indiana
 - Pilot with Ivy Tech's Career Coaching and Employer Connections staff.
 - Support to Ivy Tech Community College for Career Coaching and Employer Connections expansion
 - Launched InsideTrack counseling services for individuals that are unsure of their next step



- 2. Integrate state systems to facilitate greater access
- Strategy 2.7 Develop and implement system-wide professional development and cross-training
 - Development of Workforce Board member training
 - Policy Committee approval for training to be required by local workforce board members
- Strategy 2.9 Simplify intake processes and develop one common intake across all programs.
 - Development of a virtual client engagement platform that will be an initial step to achieving common intake for workforce programs.





- Align programs to create a healthy, engaged, and talented citizen
- Strategy 3.7 Use online, in-person, hybrid, and open-source course materials to increase access to education and training opportunities and support services.
 - Expanded Workforce Ready Grant program to include an increased number of training options as wells expanded points of entry.
 - Launched Hoosier Talent Network online job search and career navigation platform to help job seekers identify employment opportunities based on their skillset and training opportunities to allow them to achieve career goals.





- 4. Maximize state and federal resources through impact-driven programs for Hoosiers.
- Strategy 4.3 Increase the number of people co-enrolled in programs by 100%.
 - All WRG participants enrolled through a WorkOne office are co-enrolled in Wagner Peyser, WIOA Title I and/or Adult Education.
- Strategy 4.4 Examine new methods to identify quality outcomes for programs.
 - In-process Development of comprehensive dashboard and metrics





- 5. Foster impactful relationships between businesses, community partners, and government agencies.
- Strategy 5.1 Increase the number of businesses engaging with and utilizing the talent development system as a whole by 25% each year (or approximately 100 businesses).
 - Increased ETG participation through expansion utilizing CARES Funds
 - Near 300% increase in minority-, veteran-, and woman-owned businesses
 - Launched 180 Skills and Hoosier Talent Network platforms to provide additional tools to employers in identifying and retaining skilled talent
- Strategy 5.3 Create strategic partnerships with the Institute of Workforce Excellence (IWE) under the state Chamber of Commerce, postsecondary institutions, and other sector organizations.
 - GWC members on Advisory Council for IWE
 - Executive Director on IWE Governing Board





Questions

