



# Expansion Update

**Governor's Workforce Cabinet  
October 26, 2023**



# Growth Opportunities

Launched 12 programs in Indiana in 2006 under leadership of Governor Mitch Daniels with a focus on dropout prevention.

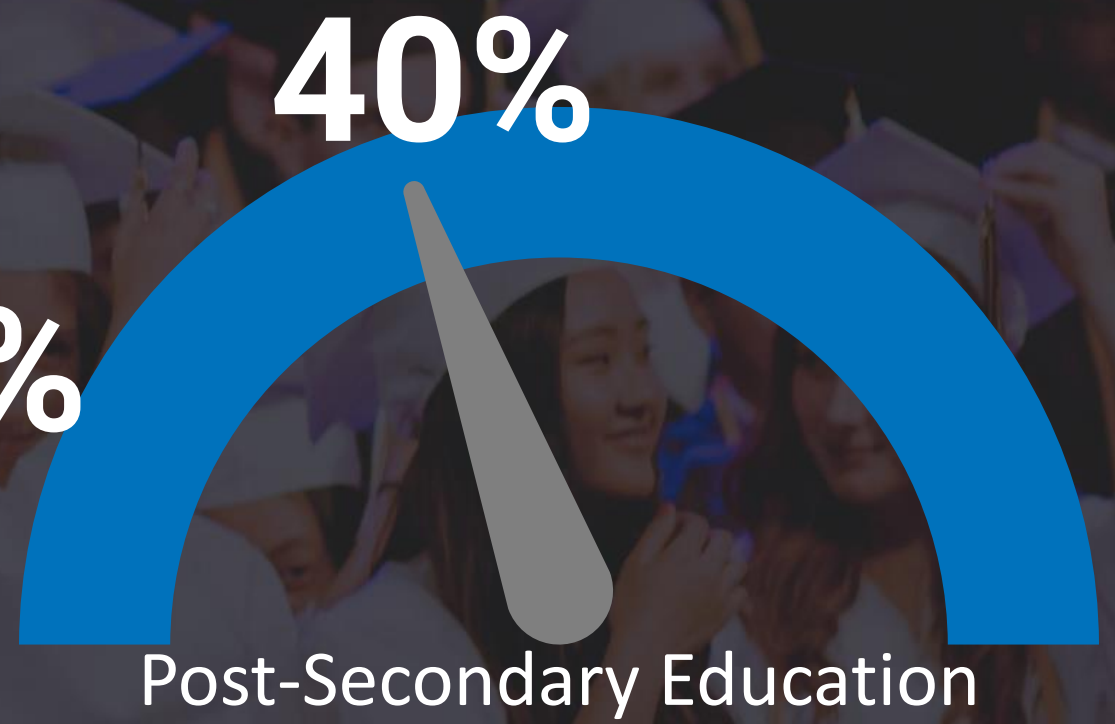
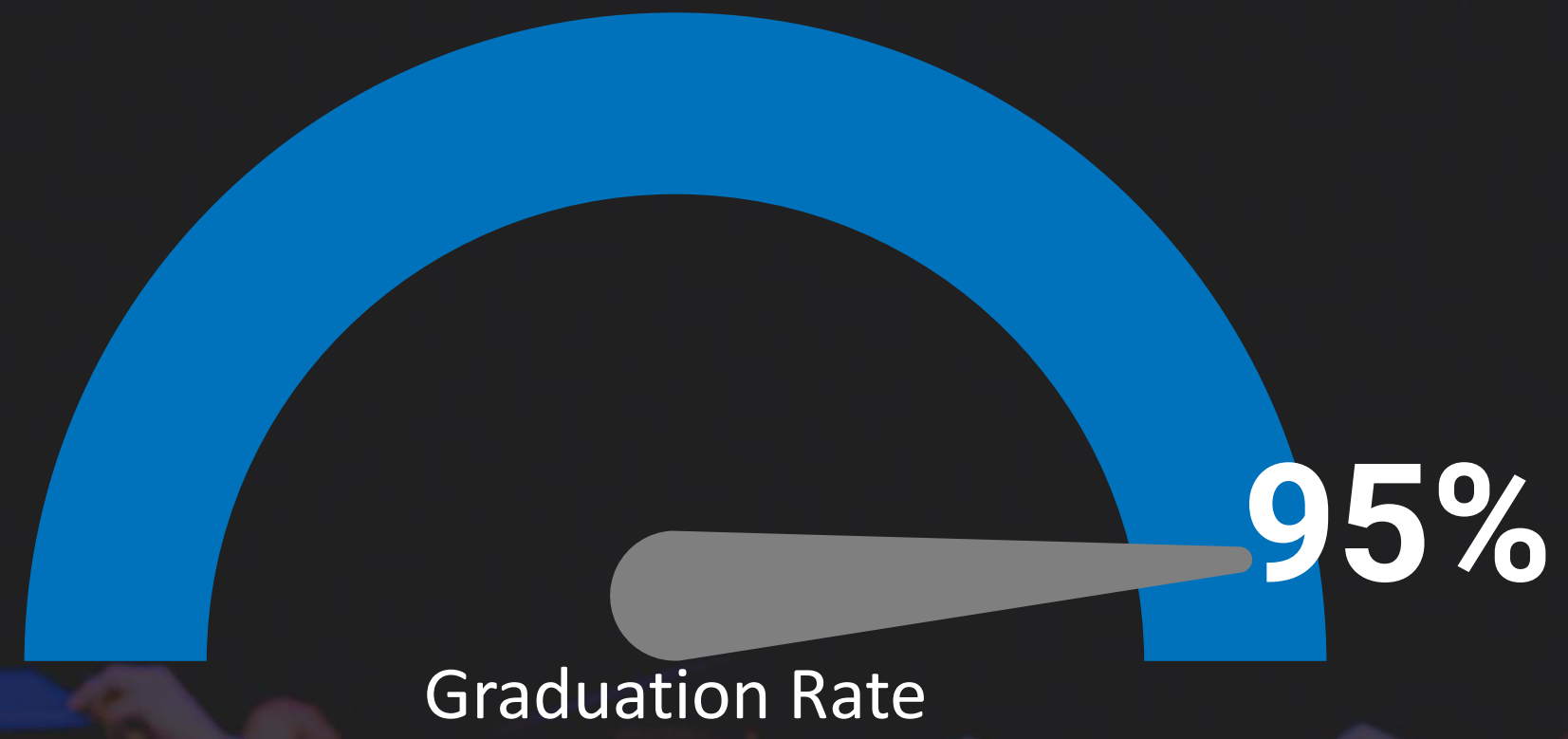
Currently serving over 5,000 students annually in over 125 high school-based programs across Indiana with **workforce preparation and employability skills** as the central goals.

**Governor  
Holcomb's Goal**                      **250 TOTAL  
PROGRAMS**

Current and future program funders: WIOA, General Assembly, FSSA (VR and TANF), Local Schools, Employers



# Proven Results



# Program Models

Program Model	Grade Levels	Focus
<b>Middle School</b>	6th-8th	Grade level transition; study skills development; behavior; confidence; self-esteem
<b>Multi-Year</b>	9th-12th	Graduation preparation; career pathway development; leadership skills; job attainment; post-secondary education preparation +
<b>Alternative Education</b>	11th-12th	Academic remediation; study skills development; graduation preparation; career pathway development
<b>College Success</b>	College Students	Post-secondary education "onboarding"; retention; academic performance; student-campus involvement

## STUDENTS WHO: WANT, NEED, CAN BENEFIT

- **Academic:** Credit deficient, low GPA, ELL
- **Personal:** Has a disability (IEP or 504 Plan), other health issues
- **Environmental:** Homeless, involved in juvenile justice system, in foster care system, family/home environment issues
- **Income/Work-Related:** Low-income family (TANF, SNAP, SSI/SSDI)
- **Social:** Disconnected at school, victim of bullying, low self-esteem, suicide attempts/ideation

## STUDENTS LEARN:

- Skill Building:
  - Basic Skills
  - Leadership and Self-Development
  - Personal Skills
  - Life Survival
  - Workplace Skills
- JAG Career Association: **leadership and service-learning activities**
- Field trips, guest speakers, job shadowing, mentors and tutors
- Linkages to: **work-based learning and job development**
- **One year of follow-up services** after high school

# Outreach

## Statewide:

- Indiana Association of School Principals podcast
- Indiana Urban Supt. Association Quarterly Meetings
- Dr. Jenner's Weekly **DOE** email
- **Commission for Higher Education**
- Indiana Small & Rural Schools and CELL webinars (upcoming)

## Regional:

- **Workforce Development Boards (WDBs)**
- Regional convenings: Counselor breakfasts,
- Individualized school meetings w/ Supts., Principals & Counselors

# How You Can Help

## Next Steps:

- Determine Corporation Timeline:
  - **40 programs (SY 23-24)**
  - 45 programs (1st Sem 24-25)
  - 40 programs (2nd Sem 24-25)
- Specialist Hiring & Training; Student Selection
- Implementation & Quality Monitoring (ongoing)

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