

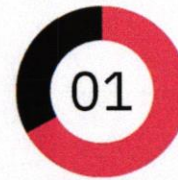
President's Report

October 2025



Turning Metrics into Momentum

This month's report highlights WCJC's continued progress in advancing student success, strengthening engagement with state leadership, and strategically positioning the college to meet the priorities of House Bill 8. By focusing on key performance indicators, building strong partnerships, and aligning our efforts with state goals, WCJC is charting a clear path toward long-term impact and institutional excellence.



Key Performance Indicators

- Measuring what matters in a performance-based world.



Engaging with the State

- Commissioner Rosser's visit to Wharton County Junior College



Advancing Key Strategies

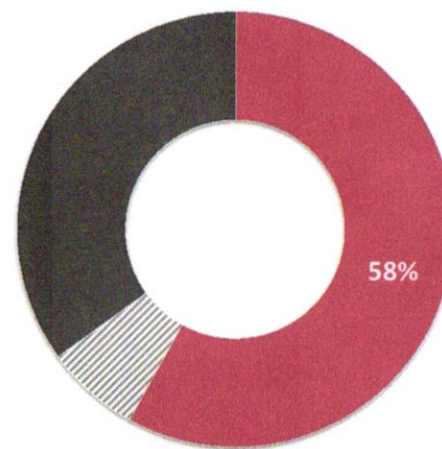
- Active steps to address and align with HB8 priorities

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15 SCH Completion: 58% of WCJC students complete 15 semester credit hours in their first year, outperforming the state average of 48%.

**Dual Credit and Transfer students must earn a minimum of 15 SCH to count toward HB8 Funding.*



Current = 58%

Target = 65%

State Comparison= 48%

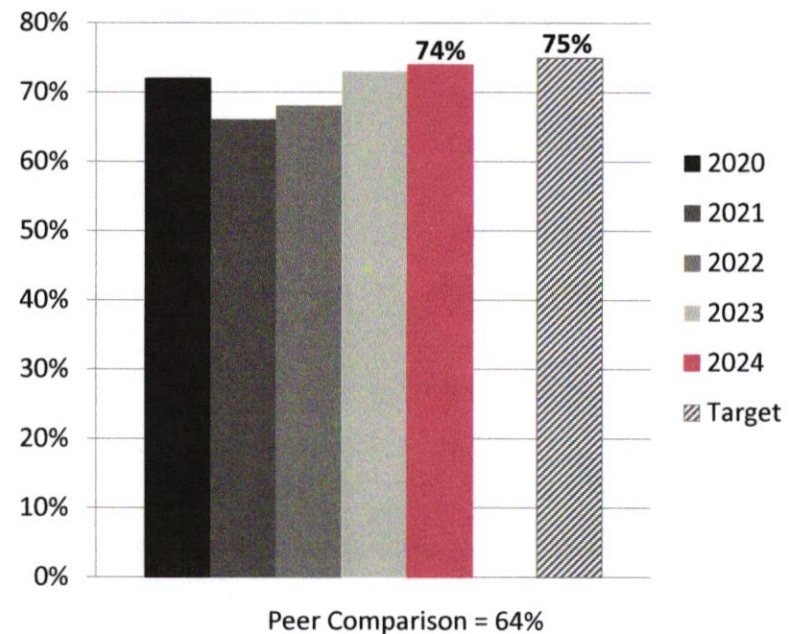
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Fall-to-Fall Retention: WCJC's first-time, full-time retention rate is 74%, compared to 64% statewide.

**Fall-to-Fall Retention is the leading indicator with the strongest correlation to overall student degree completion.*



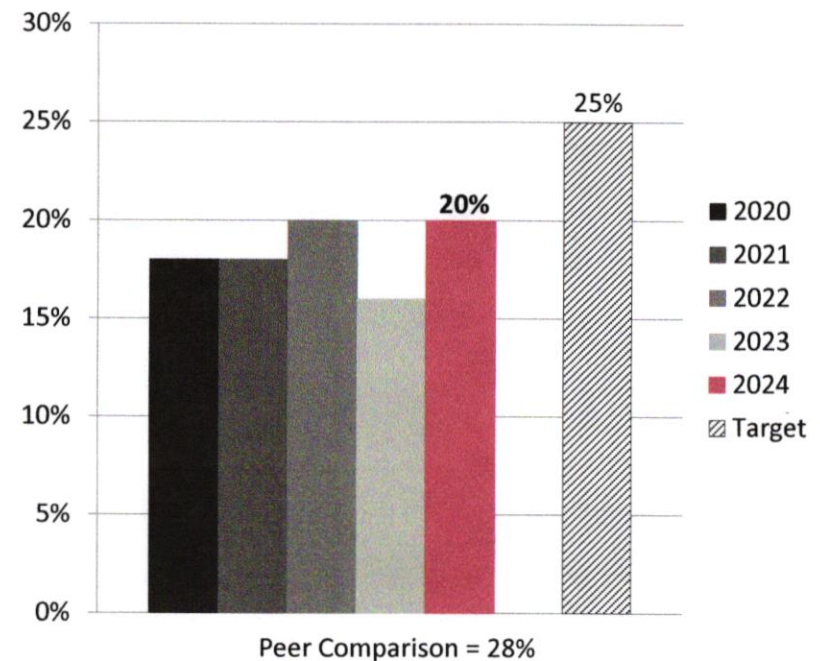
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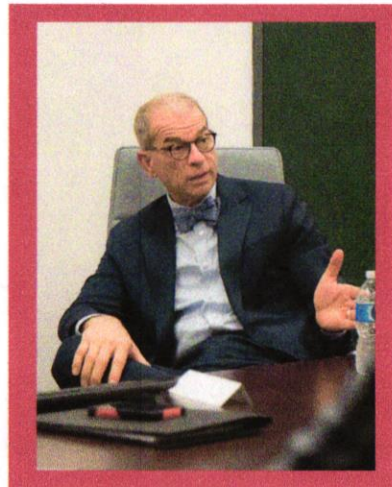
Three-Year Graduation Rate: WCJC's rate is 20%, slightly below the state average of 25%, representing a key area for improvement.

**Degree completions are a primary funding component within the HB8 model.*



Measuring What Matters

Engaging with the State



On September 18, Commissioner Rosser visited Fort Bend County for a roundtable discussion with leaders from the University of Houston, Texas State Technical College, and Wharton County Junior College.

Following the discussion, Dr. Rosser toured WCJC's Richmond Campus, where he visited signature program facilities, engaged with a panel of current and former students, and gathered valuable feedback from leadership on THECB data availability and transparency.

Advancing Key Strategies

Technology Upgrade

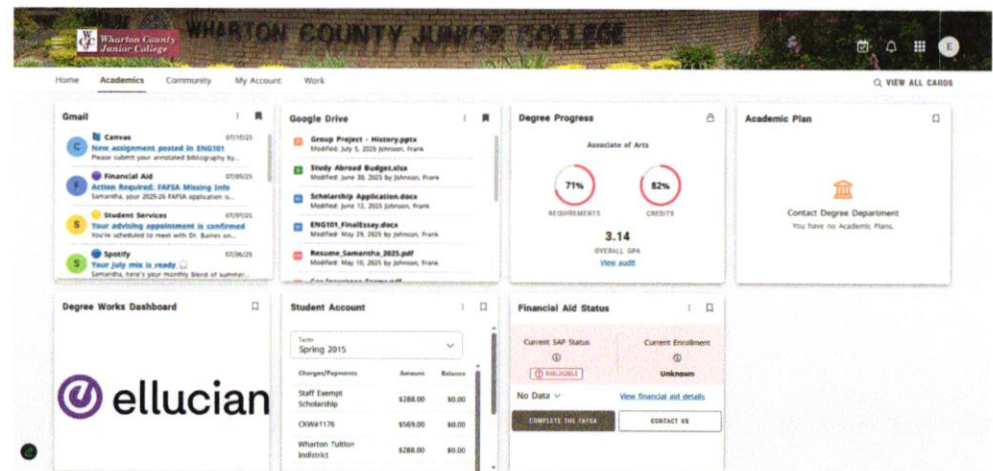
- Migration to Banner 9 SaaS will enhance students' ability to track degree progress and stay connected.

New Degree Programs

- Launching A.S. in Allied Health and Early Childhood Education to align with House Bill 8 priorities.

Strengthening Pathways

- Expanding dual credit and university partnerships to create seamless transfer and completion routes.
- Key focus area for new VP of Access, Completion, and Transfer.



Active Alignment with HB8

Upcoming Events



Professional Development

- Aspen Presidential Fellows: Oct 27-31
- Aspen CEO-Board Institute: Dec 4-5
- Higher Edge*: Dec 8-10



Operations

- Banner 9 SaaS Go-Live: Oct 27
- Bookstore Hand-Off: November 3
- Financial Audit Report: Nov BOT Mtg



Board Reports/Updates

- Board Workshop: Oct 27
- Bay City Update: Nov BOT Mtg
- Board Evaluation: Nov BOT Mtg

** Dr. Allen presenting: HB 8 Financial Insights*

Mark Your Calendar!

Students at the Center

During Commissioner Rosser's visit, he met with a panel of WCJC students who **shared their experiences balancing family, work, and school**, and highlighted the critical role of faculty and staff support in their success. Each student spoke to the strong network of encouragement they receive across the college.

The Commissioner noted that WCJC was the only institution to include student voices during his visits and that he would be thinking about their stories the entire drive home. This moment underscored the power of **keeping students at the center of everything we do**.

