

Title	Status of Agency Legislative Reports
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Synopsis	A brief synopsis of each of the ten agency reports required to be submitted to the Legislature will be provided to the Council.
Guiding questions	How do the agency legislative assignments support the Council's work related to the Roadmap and Strategic Action Plan?
Possible Council Action	☑ Information/Discussion☐ Approve/Adopt☐ Other
Documents and Attachments	 □ Brief/Report ☑ PowerPoint □ Third-party materials □ Other







WSAC Legislative & Other Reports for 2017 Session

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2016-17 Legislative Reports

Report	Source	Frequency
Strategic Action Plan	28B. <u>77</u> .020	Biennial
Transfer	<u>28B.77.220</u>	Biennial
STEM Alliance Report Card	<u>28A.188.040</u>	Annual
Credit for Prior Learning	28B.77.230	Annual
Aerospace Loan	28B.122.060	Annual
GET Feasibility Study	<u>2ESSB 5954</u> Sec. 11	One Time
Dual Credit	E2SHB 1546 Sec. 7	One Time
SE King County Needs	<u>2ESHB 2376</u> Sec. 609	One Time
For-Profit Oversight	<u>2ESHB 2376</u> Sec. 609	One Time
College Bound Income	<u>2ESHB 2376</u> Sec. 610	One Time

2017-19 Strategic Action Plan

Report Findings

Overview

WSAC priorities complement systemwide recommendations to make significant progress toward the state's attainment goals:

- Increase high school graduation
- Improve college and career preparedness
- Increase college completion

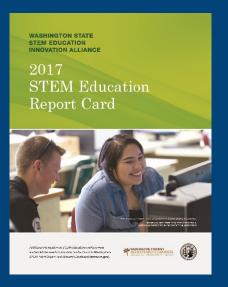
- Washington students who transfer are more likely to finish a bachelor's degree than in other states.
- The number of transfer degrees awarded has been increasing.
- New transfer pathways are offered.
- Continued collaboration and integration will improve transfer.

Transfer

Report Findings

STEM Alliance 2017 STEM Education Report Card

Report Findings



Overview

The report includes three high-impact policy recommendations:

- Increase support for underrepresented populations in STEM fields.
- Ensure our education system is STEM ready.
- Expand opportunities for careerconnected learning.

- Report includes an analysis of credits awarded for prior learning at Washington public and independent colleges and universities.
- In 2015-16, Washington schools awarded nearly 225,000 academic quarter credits based on prior learning, reducing time to credential for thousands of students.

Academic Credit for Prior Learning

Report Findings

Aerospace Loans

Report Findings

Overview

- Low-interest loans are offered for students in short training programs at Edmonds and Renton Tech.
- Program demand has diminished. 76 applicants were funded in 2015-16.

- Tuition reductions have improved GET's funded status; future unit prices may be lower than \$163/\$172.
- The GET committee is still exploring the feasibility of offering a Washington 529 college savings plan.
- GET was able to temporarily waive state refund penalties and remain financially solvent.

GET Feasibility Study

Report Findings

Dual Credit

Report Findings

Overview

- Washington high school students have greater access to dual-credit programs.
- Nearly half of all Washington high school students participated in dual credit programs in 2014-15.
- Additional funding could improve equity gaps in dual credit participation.

- The assessed population includes highest proportion of adults with some college and no degree.
- Area's high school students attend college at a rate similar to state average.
- Demands are high for flexible programs and blended learning options (rather than a new institution).

SE King County Needs Assessment

Report Findings

For-Profit Oversight

Report Findings

Overview

The report recommends the following collaborative efforts:

- Development of principles for administrative improvements.
- Enhanced alignment (WACS, metrics, data reporting).
- Implementation of workgroup to continue to improve oversight.

- Academic outcomes are strong for College Bound Scholars.
- Applications continue to be strong; students graduate at statewide rate.
- Postsecondary participation and persistence is above average, and most are scholarship-eligible.

College Bound Income

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Below are reports produced by the Washington Student Achievement Council since its inception on July 1, 2012. Reports and publications predecessor agency, the Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB), can be found in our archives.

Financial Aid & Affordability

Policy & Research

Roadmap & Strategic Planning

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