

Office of the Secretary of Higher Education Performance Indicators - FY2026 Materials	FY24 Actual	FY25 Revised	FY26 Target
A. Exposing Students to Postsecondary Pathways			
1. Increase in enrollment among equity populations (a)	172,693	180,880	177,839
2. Increase of NJ GEAR UP/College Bound participation (b)	3,876	4,200	4,605
3. Number of students who re-enrolled through the statewide partnership to re-engage ‘Some College, No Degree’ students at participating NJ Colleges/Universities	6,261	6,387	6,514
4. College Readiness Now program student success rate	61.0%	60.0%	60.0%
5. Number of students identified as being a dual enrollment student in an academic year	39,788	44,002	44,882
B. College Access and Affordability (Higher Education Student Affordability Administration)			
1. Net price of attending a four-year public college/university for low-income students (AGI below 65,000)	\$14,723	\$15,553	\$15,086
2. Number of low-income students receiving tuition and fee-free college (CCOG)	15,098	17,164	17,507
3. Number of students receiving tuition and fee-free college through Garden State Guarantee program*	17,208	14,677	17,552
C. Building Support Systems			
1.a. 2-Year Institution Graduation Rates (3 year-150% on-time)	28.2%	32.4%	34.4%
1.b. 4-Year Institution Graduation Rates (6 year- 150% on-time)	69.5%	68.7%	69.3%
2.a. Graduation Rates of equity populations (2-Year)	21.3%	25.4%	27.4%
2.b. Graduation Rates of equity populations (4-Year)	57.1%	56.6%	59.6%
3. Transfer Rate from Two-Year Colleges (c)	13.4%	15.8%	16.0%
4. Non-First Time (Transfer) Graduation Rates (6 years)	54.1%	52.0%	55.0%
D. Safety and Inclusion			
1. Retention of equity populations (a)	66.3%	66.3%	68.3%
2.a. Number of students accessing statewide tele-mental health supports	10,846	16,041	16,362
2.b. Number of students from equity populations accessing statewide tele-mental health supports (a)	3,694	3,567	3,768
E. Research, Innovation, and Talent			
1. External dollars spent on Research and Development Activity at our Colleges/Universities (in \$1,000s)	\$1,516,963	\$1,717,387	\$1,768,909
2. Number of Invention Disclosures	333	324	340
3. US Patents Filed by NJ College/Universities	173	165	173
4. Percent of Faculty (FT and PT) who are women or underrepresented minorities (a)	50.7% Women/ 13.5% Minorities	51.2% Women/ 13.2% Minorities	52.0% Women/ 15.0% Minorities
5. Number of STEM graduates among underrepresented minority population (a)	4725 (16.8%)	4,823 (16.4%)	5,227 (17.3%)
6.a. Number of students receiving experiential learning opportunities through Career Accelerator Internship Grant Program	574	504	600
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F. Accountability and Funding Sustainability			
1. Number of risk mitigation plans delivered from NJ College/Universities evaluating institution's financial health and performance	TBD	TBD	TBD
2. Dollars allocated to Four-Year Public Colleges/Universities through the Outcomes-Based Allocation (in 1000s)	\$150,503	\$220,503	\$150,503

Notes:

(a) Equity population and minorities/minority population are defined as American Indian/Alaskan Native, Hispanic/Latino, Black/African American, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.

(b) FY25 Targets represent a a variety of projected values and/or represent some goal/targets.

(c) Transfer rate is the percentage of students from the three-year cohort who didn't graduate but transferred out to another institution

* Interim data, not inclusive of the full-year data, which is totaled at the end of the fiscal year.