Operational Definitions of Statewide Metrics

This resource was adapted from a document developed by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, _Alignment of Student Success to Other Initiatives_2020_, found on the Student Success Metrics homepage.

In addition to the original matrix that identifies how the metrics from each of the state's priority areas align with the Student Success Metrics, this resource includes direct links to the homepage of each of the statewide areas and links to a data element dictionary, where available.

Alignment of Student Success Metrics

Metric Concept	Student Success Metrics (SSM)	Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF)	Vision for Success (VfS)	Student Equity and Achievement (SEAP)	Strong Workforce Program (SWP)	K12 Strong Workforce Program (K12SWP)	Adult Education Program (AEP)
Data element dictionary?	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Successful Enrollment	Applicants who indicated an intent to enroll in the selected year and who enrolled in that year at the same college or at any college	N/A	N/A	Will be aligned with Student Success Metrics, disaggregated by student equity categories	N/A	Enrolled in a community college within one year of exiting K12	N/A
Learning Progress	Students with an adult education or ESL skills gain	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for adult ed participants
Learning Progress	Course success rate	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Learning Progress	Students who completed both transfer-level English and math within one year of enrolling in a district	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for both English and math	Same definition as Student Success Metrics	Will be aligned with Student Success Metrics for both English and math, disaggregated by student equity categories	N/A	N/A	Adult ed participants who subsequently took a transfer-level English or math course
Momentum	Students who completed a level of adult education	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics
Momentum	Students with a noncredit workforce milestone	N/A	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for all CTE students meeting minimal enrollment requirement	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for adult ed participants
Momentum	Students who completed 9+ career education units	Same definition as Student Success Metrics	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for all CTE students meeting minimal enrollment requirement	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for students who enrolled in community college within one year of exiting K12	Adult ed participants who completed 6+ college credit units for the first time, for adult ed participants who transitioned to non-developmental credit college course

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Momentum	Students who successfully completed unit thresholds in the fall (semester, quarter)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Momentum	Students who successfully completed unit thresholds in the academic year (semester, quarter)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Momentum	Students retained from fall to spring at the same or any college	N/A	N/A	Will be aligned with Student Success Metrics for same college, disaggregated by student equity categories	N/A	N/A	N/A
Success: Transition	Students who transitioned to postsecondary	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, disaggregated by student equity categories	N/A	N/A	Adult ed participants who transitioned to postsecondary

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Success: Awards	Unduplicated count of students in each of the award types: ● Vision goal completion ● Associate degree for transfer ● Associate degree ● California Community College bachelor's degree ● Chancellor's Office approved credit certificate over 8 units ● Noncredit certificate over 48 hours ● Apprenticeship journey status	Unduplicated count of students who earned an award, counting only the highest level of attainment: ● Associate degree for transfer ● Associate degree ● California Community College bachelor's degree ● Chancellor's Office approved credit certificate over 16 units	Unduplicated count of students who earned any of the following awards: ● Associate degrees for transfer ● Associate degree ● California Community College bachelor's degree ● Chancellor's Office approved credit certificate over 8 units ● associate degree ● associate degrees for transfer ● California Community College bachelor's degree	Same definition as Student Success Metrics	Same definition as Student Centered Funding Formula, for students who earned an award in a TOP code assigned to a vocational sector	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for students who enrolled in community college within one year of exiting K12	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for adult ed participants who transitioned to postsecondary
Success: Transfer to a Four-Year Institution	Unduplicated students who transferred to CSU/UC, private in- state, or out-of-state college/university, who earned 12+ units at any time and at any college	Unduplicated students who transferred to CSU/UC, private in-state, or out-of-state college/university, who earned 12+ units in the district in the selected year prior to transfer	Unduplicated students who transferred to CSU/UC	Will be aligned with Student Success Metrics, disaggregated by student equity categories	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for all CTE students meeting minimal enrollment requirement	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for students who enrolled in community college within one year of exiting K12	N/A

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Success: Transfer to a Four-Year Institution	Students who transferred to UC/CSU, who earned 12+ units at any time and at any college	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Same definition as Student Success Metrics	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	N/A
Success: Transfer to a Four-Year Institution	Students who transferred to a private in-state college, who earned 12+ units at any time and at any college	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	N/A	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	N/A
Success: Transfer to a Four-Year Institution	Students who transferred to an out-of-state college, who earned 12+ units at any time and at any college	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	N/A	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	Included in transfer to a four-year definition	N/A
Success: Average Units	Average number of units accumulated by first-time associate degree earners, including all associate degrees types, ADT, and AA/AS	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for all associate degree types	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Employment	Students who were unemployed and became employed	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Employment	Students who reported that their job is closely or very closely related to their field of study, for career education students who did not transfer and who exited the community college system	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics for all CTE students with minimal enrollment requirement	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for students who enrolled in community college within one year of exiting K12	N/A

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Earnings	Median annual earnings for exiting students who did not transfer	N/A	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics for all CTE students with minimal enrollment requirement	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for students who enrolled in community college within one year of exiting K12	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for adult ed participants
Earnings	Median change in earnings, for exiting students who did not transfer	N/A	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for all CTE students meeting minimal enrollment requirement *See note under Student Success Metrics	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for adult ed participants
Earnings	Students who attained the 2020 living wage for a single adult in the district county, for exiting students who did not transfer	Students who attained the 2018 living wage for a single adult in the district county, for existing students who did not transfer	N/A	N/A	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for all CTE students meeting minimal enrollment requirement	Same definition as Student Success Metrics, for students who enrolled in community college within one year of exiting K12	N/A