



UTAH SYSTEM OF
HIGHER EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TAB A

August 19, 2022

Strategic Plan: Technical Education Committee Strategies

In 2020, Utah's two higher education systems merged, creating a single system of 16 higher education institutions. The newly created Utah Board of Higher Education and Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education engaged in a comprehensive strategic planning process that incorporated feedback from institutions, state leaders, students, and other stakeholders. The five-year strategic plan was adopted by the Board in May 2021. The plan focuses on the following priorities: System Leadership, Access, Completion, Affordability, Workforce Alignment, and Research and is guided by two primary themes:

1. Alignment of measures between statewide postsecondary attainment goals and performance-based funding
2. Centering educational equity and inclusion, so higher education opportunities exist for all Utahns

Strategies and tactics were delegated to Board committees according to their designated focus in [October 2021](#). Committee agendas are structured to include strategy and tactic progress reports, discussion from system and institution leaders on implementation, and recognition of institutions hitting benchmarks.

Since the strategic plan was approved, several revisions have been proposed to update and improve the plan. During the August 2022 meetings, each Board committee will consider changes to the strategic plan strategies and tactics assigned to their committee and forward their recommendations to the full Board for consideration at the September 2022 meeting.

The proposed changes to the strategies and tactics assigned to the Technical Education Committee will be included in a presentation. While there are slight improvements to wording and some strategies and tactics have been consolidated or moved within the plan, the changes are generally non-substantive.

Ongoing strategic plan progress is updated monthly and [available online](#).

Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends that the Committee adopt the updated strategic plan strategies and tactics assigned to the Committee as outlined and forward this recommendation to the Committee of the Whole for inclusion in the updated strategic plan.