8 OUT OF 10 Utah HS grads who go on to college, enroll in a USHE institution.

#2 state for higher ed (US News, 2017)

4TH lowest tuition in the nation at Utah’s public universities.

Lowest student debt and default rates in the country.

FOR EVERY $1 the state invests in higher ed, it receives $3 in increased tax revenues.

2016 Utah college graduates earned $470 MILLION MORE in their first year after graduation than their peers who didn’t go to college.

1/2 of all USHE students enroll in at least one online course.

42% ($6,000) increase in a Utahn’s wage return in one year from earning a one-year college certificate.
Industry & Workforce
• Bachelor’s degree graduates earned 69% more than those with only a high school diploma (Return on Investment of USHE Graduates).
• Bachelor’s degree graduates also earn an estimated 51% increase in wages over five years

Concurrent Enrollment
• 36,335 Utah high school students participated in CE credit—up 10.6% from the previous school year
• CE courses have saved students an estimated $48.7 million in future tuition expenses

Career and Technical Education
• During the 2017-18 academic year, CTE comprised over 22% of the total undergraduate courses offered at USHE institutions, and it accounted for over 18% of undergraduate degrees and certificates awarded
• 91% overall job placement for recent USHE CTE graduates
• 5,812 CTE credentials awarded by USHE institutions in 2017-18

Enrollment
• USHE institutions will have an estimated growth of more than 57,000 students by 2027 compared to 2015

Underserved Populations
• Utah students from low-income families participate in college at rates nearly 15% lower than their peers
• After 8 years of college enrollment, only half of Latino students finish college (the state’s fastest growing minority), while 3/4 of white students finish
• The west end of SL County, parts of Weber County, and in some rural areas are seeing downward-shifting trends in college enrollment