SREB

Bouncing Back from COVID Using Education and Workforce Development Dollars





SERIES OVERVIEW

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October 1
Reinforce
Connections
Between States'
Emergency
Responses and
Long-Term

Efforts

September 24
Make Education
and Training
Programs More
Tech Savvy and
Flexible for the
Changing
Economy

August 27
Gauge *Needs*Frequently and
Prioritize
Action
Together

Six Approaches to the Problem

September 17
Help *Businesses*Prepare and
Upskill Workers
for Critical
Positions

September 3
Help *Low-Skilled Adults* Earn
Credentials for
Critical Jobs

September 10
Help *Students*Maintain
Momentum and
Earn Critical
Credentials



In each session we will...

SREB presents

State experts present

We all discuss

Polls and chat throughout

Inform our collective work, get inspired and connect

Share key strategies for policies, programs and equity

Hear how leading states are doing it

Spotlight resources to get the work done



TODAY'S SESSION

Help Students Maintain Momentum and Earn Critical Credentials



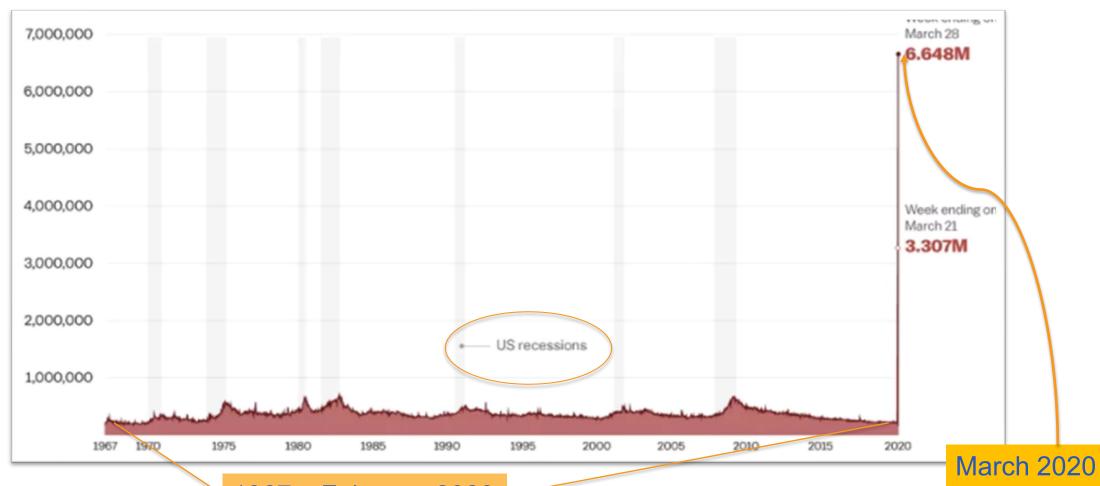
CONTEXT



The scale and pace of job losses due to COVID is extraordinary, and fluctuations will likely continue

Unemployment insurance claims by week, 1967 - 2020

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



But good jobs are out there for people with the right credentials







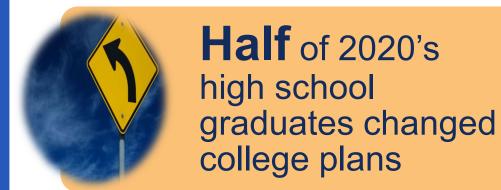


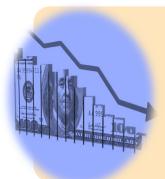




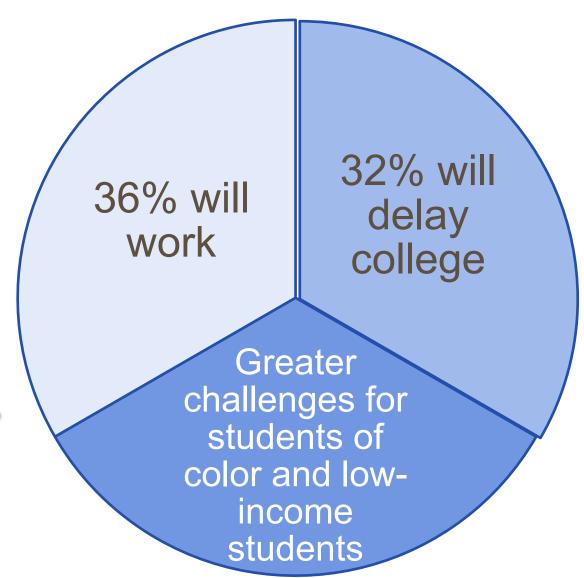


Students face big challenges





40% of those: Now, might not be able to afford college





We must work with more creativity and urgency

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Need to earn more postsecondary credits and experience

NEW HIGH SCHOOL

GRADS

Need to acquire credentials and experience more quickly

WIDER EQUITY GAPS Must close



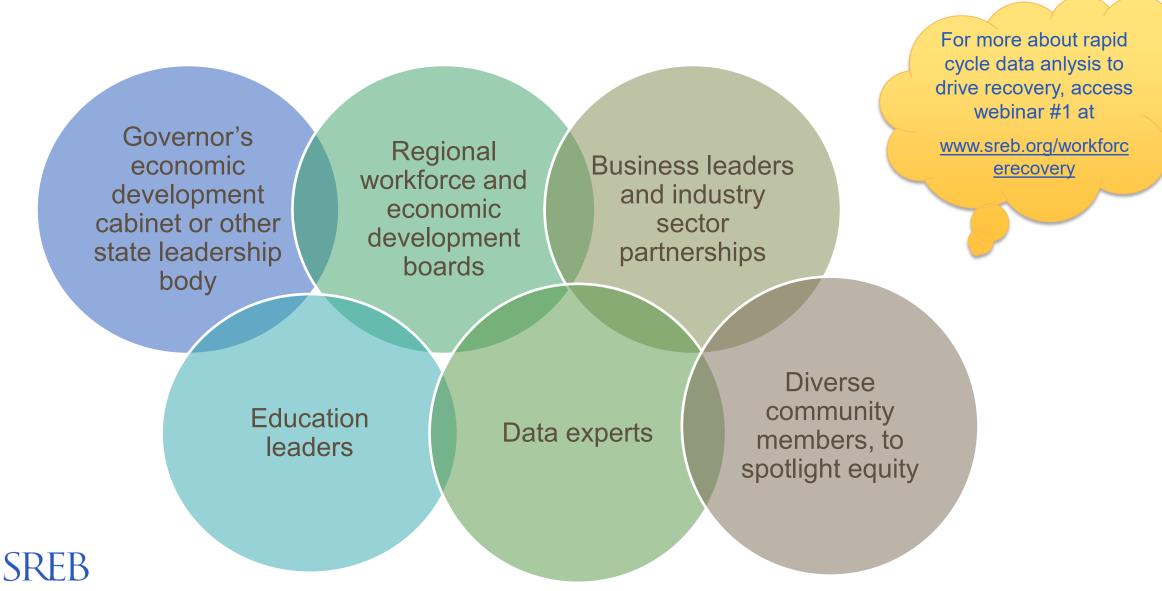
ACTIONS to Help Students Maintain Momentum and Earn Critical Credentials

Based on data,

- 1. Prioritize and expand dual enrollment programs for high school students
- 2. Offer free summer postsecondary options for new high school grads
- 3. Promote equity



Based on data, chart a path together



Based on data, identify credentials that are needed for the jobs *most* critical, now

AND that ...

Are valued by industries and stackable

Can be earned the fastest

Advance the state's long-term vision



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Action 2 Offer free summer postsecondary options for new high school grads



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Action 2

Offer free summer postsecondary options for new high school grads

- Clear goals
- Aligned policies
 - Credits or training count toward identified credentials
 - Universal credit transfer
 - Accelerated timeline to credential
- Strong and inclusive partnerships
- Student supports



Action 3 Promote equity

Now

- Awareness
- Entry requirements
- Tuition and fees support
- Materials Open Educational Resources
- Mentoring and communication
- Tutoring
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- Transportation

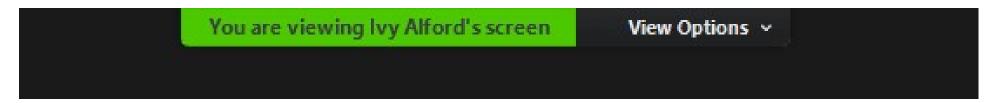
Looking Ahead

- Help with FAFSA and program applications
- Flexibility in financial aid determinations/appeals
- Ongoing support
- Workplace readiness



Let's reflect on equity: Use Annotation

Find the view options feature on your Zoom task bar.



Select annotate.



Select a stamp from the options.

Or, use the Chat Box



Mark the strategy most challenging to you

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SREB's Dual Enrollment Initiative, 2019-2021

- Engage policymakers, educators and students
- Define the purpose of dual enrollment Early start to a degree/credential

 - Address workforce needs
 - Assure students master life skills
- Disseminate promising policies and practices
- Address common issues
- Equity and access
- Quality: curriculum, instruction, advising
- Data, research, funding
- Provide technical assistance to SREB states
- See www.sreb.org/dual-enrollment-initiative





RESOURCES for Getting This Done



Resources for helping students earn credentials for critical jobs

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Title III funds for English learners	Title I local program funds			impacted: to support continuation of services		
Title IV-A funds for well-rounded education	State determines split between secondary and postsecondary funds		Reimagine Workforce Preparation grants for state workforce boards: Short- term education and training and career pathways for in-			
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EXEMPLAR:

CAMDEN COUNTY, GEORGIA DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

Dr. John Tucker, Superintendent



Key program elements



- Academic and CTE courses in multiple career pathways
- Strong collaboration
 - Educators
 - Business and economic development leaders
 - Legislators
- Teachers supported to earn advanced credentials
- Equity elements
 - Courses offered at the high school
 - Student placement
 - Tutors
 - Counselors
- Title I school with high academic achievement and accountability rating



EXEMPLAR:

NORTHERN VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S JUMP START PROGRAM

Dr. Anne Kress, College President



JumpStart Origins

- 12K students in contract dual enrollment
- HS partners express concern about impact of disruption
- NOVA concerned about "summer melt" and dramatically changing economic future of families
- A thought: could we use the summer to help seniors recoup a lost spring and jumpstart their college journeys?
- Challenge: VA has strict limitations on any reduction in cost for HSDE



JumpStart Program

- Service area school districts opt-in
- HS Seniors apply to take up to two courses off a short list for free
- Courses
 - part of "VA passport"
 - cloud computing offered in partnership with Amazon Web Services
- Six week term: June 1 to July 15



JumpStart Promotion and Roll Out

- School Districts
- Parent Zooms
- Social Media
- Senator Mark Warner
- Chambers of Commerce
- Initial spark to first class: apprx two months
- 2,599 students, average 1.6 courses



JumpStart Funding and Financial Aid Work

- Initially planned for CARES Act Institutional Stimulus
- Shifted to institutional scholarship funds
- Pushed in FAFSA information and workshops
- Promoted NOVA's new biweekly payment plan
- Set the stage for plans for county collaboration on online early college high school—tentative launch this year

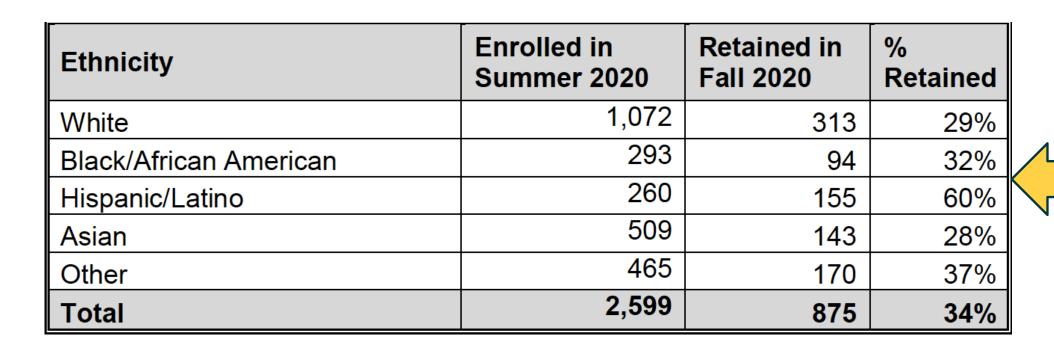


JumpStart Results

Jurisdiction	Enrolled in Summer 2020	Retained in Fall 2020	% Retained	
Arlington County	144	41	28%	
Fairfax County	1,037	291	28%	
Loudoun County	414	133	32%	
Prince William County	681	286	42%	
Alexandria	122	39	32%	
Fairfax City	40	13	33%	
Falls Church	40	15	38%	
Manassas	84	37	44%	
Manassas Park	14	5	36%	
Other Virginia	22	15	68%	
Outside VA, MD & DC	1	0	0%	
Total	2,599	875	34%	



JumpStart Results



GPA	Enrolled in Summer 2020	Retained in Fall 2020
Term GPA Average	3.02	2.90
Cumulative GPA Average	3.16	2.97

82% C or better



DISCUSSION



Three poll topics

1. HIGHLIGHTS

2. QUESTIONS

3. ACTIONS

IN THE CHAT BOX:

Efforts in your state?



Discussion in brief

What STANDS OUT to you today? What QUESTIONS do you have? Share one in the **CHAT BOX** Based on what you've learned today, what ACTION will you take? What efforts in YOUR STATE should we know about?



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We appreciate your feedback on today's session

A **strong** element Share in Something we can improve **CHAT BOX Support** SREB could provide

