

## **2025 Legislative Agenda Items**

**Community College Support Fund** - \$920 million to the CCSF to fund current services with only modest tuition increases on average statewide. At this funding level many colleges may still face programming cuts.

**Increase the Cap on Community College Capital Construction Projects** – Since 2005 the state has capped XI-G Bond funding colleges may receive for capital projects at \$8 million. Adjusting for inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index, that number would be nearly \$14 million in today's dollars. Colleges are requesting cap be increased to \$14 million per project.

**Oregon Opportunity Grant Funding** – Increase the Oregon Opportunity Grant by \$150 million to \$450 million.\*

**Student Basic Needs** - \$10 million in ongoing funding for student basic needs programs at community colleges and public universities.\*

**Corequisite Transition** – \$1 million in one-time funds for faculty release time and training.

**Adult Reconnect Policy Bill** – Bill to direct the HECC to convene workgroup on adult reconnect.

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**Behavioral Health Addiction Counseling Funding** – \$7.5 million in ongoing funding to produce 250 additional addiction counselors statewide.\*\*

**Cybersecurity** – \$3.57 million in ongoing funding to support base- cybersecurity at community colleges.

**Applied Baccalaureate Programs** – \$2.5 million in one-time funding for up to 12 new community college applied baccalaureate programs.

**Adult Reconnect** - \$10 million in funding for last-dollar grant program for individuals 25 years and over seeking an associate degree or industry-recognized certificates or credentials.

**Eighth Quarter Payment** - \$100-\$115 million in one-time funding to reverse an ongoing deferment of the final CCSF payment to colleges in which the Eighth quarter payment of each biennium is deferred to first quarter of the following biennium

\*These proposals are supported by the members a coalition of a coalition including community colleges, public universities, students and labor. OCCA supported a previous version of this proposal.

\*\*OCCA is convening a workgroup of college behavioral health directors to evaluate the cost and outcomes in the current version of the proposal.